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tunisian “in the round” mittens

For keeping hands warm and for making snowballs, you can't beat woolen mittens. This Tunisian pattern is presented with four hand sizes for a great, comfy fit.

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EXPERIENCED

Designed by Susan Badgley.

Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, and X-Large are in parentheses.

STITCH NATION by Debbie Stoller™ Full o' Sheep™: 1 (1, 1, 1) ball 2910 Poppy A, 1 (1, 2, 2) ball(s) 2350 Hazelnut B.

Crochet Hook: 6mm [US J-10] double-ended crochet hook.
Stitch markers, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 12 sts = 3¾"; 15 rows = 3" in Tunisian knit stitch (Tks).
CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

Hand Circumference: 7 (8, 9½, 10½)"
Length: 8 (10, 11½, 13)"

SPECIAL STITCHES

Tks = Tunisian Knit Stitch. On forward pass: Insert hook, from front to back, between the 2 vertical bars of the next stitch, yarn over and draw loop through. Leave loop on hook.

Inc = Increase. On forward pass: Before the next stitch, insert hook, from front to back, under the horizontal bar, yarn over and draw loop through. Leave loop on hook.

Dec = Decrease. On return pass: Yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (1 loop of B and 2 loops of A). On the following forward pass: Insert hook through both stitches (at once), yarn over and draw through. Leave loop on hook.

NOTES

1. Each mitten is worked in Tunisian crochet worked in the round.
2. Tunisian crochet worked in the round is worked with a double-ended crochet hook and 2 strands of yarn.
3. Each round of Tunisian crochet worked in the round consists of two passes; a forward pass and a return pass. In the forward pass, the first strand of yarn is used to pick up and place stitches on the hook. In the return pass, the piece is turned, the stitches slid to the other end of the hook, and the 2nd strand of yarn is used to work off the stitches.
4. The first pass is always worked with the first strand of yarn, A, and with the Right Side facing.
5. The return pass is always worked with the 2nd strand of yarn, B, and the Wrong Side facing.
6. If you hold the hook in your right hand, you will work the forward pass, picking up loops, from right to left. And, you will work the return pass, working off loops, from left to right. If you hold the hook in your left hand, you will work the forward and return passes in the opposite directions.



7. To comfortably work in the round, each round is worked in small sections of about 10 stitches each. 10 stitches are picked up in a forward pass, then worked off in a return pass, and this process is repeated until all stitches of the round have been worked.

RIGHT MITTEN

With B, ch 22 (26, 30, 34). Taking care not to twist ch, join with sl st in back bump of first ch to form a ring.

Foundation Round 1 (Right Side): Ch 1, working in back bumps only, sc in same ch as join and in each ch around; join with slip st in first sc—22 (26, 30, 34) sc. Leave last loop of B on hook.

Cuff

Round 1 (forward pass): With Right Side facing and A, make a slip knot; working in back loops only, insert hook in first sc, place slip knot on hook and draw through the st; leaving loops on hook, *insert hook in next sc, yarn over and draw up a loop; repeat from * until there are about 10 loops on the hook. **Note:** The exact number of loops picked up in the forward pass can vary. Pick up as many loops as can be worked comfortably without the circle of fabric becoming too bunched up.

Round 1 (return pass): Turn the piece so that Wrong Side is now facing and slide the loops to the other end of hook; *with B, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * until only 3 loops remain on the hook.

Repeat Round 1 forward and return pass until all 22 (26, 30, 34) sts of the Foundation Round have been worked into—22 (26, 30, 34) sts.

Place a stitch marker on the first st of Round 1. Move the marker up as each round is completed.

Continue to work all rounds in groups of about 10 sts each (as in Round 1) throughout.

Round 2 (forward pass): With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 2 (return pass): Work same as Round 1 (return pass).

Repeat Round 2 until piece measures about 2½ (3, 3½, 4)" from beginning.

Work all remaining return passes same as Round 1 (return pass) using B, unless otherwise instructed.

Shape Thumb Gusset

Round 1: With A, Tks 2, Inc 1, Tks 1, Inc 1, Tks 19 (23, 27, 31)—24 (28, 32, 36) sts.

Place a stitch marker in the 6th stitch. Move marker up as each round is worked.

Round 2: With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 3: With A, Tks 2, Inc 1, Tks in each st to next marked st,

Inc 1, Tks in marked st, Tks in each st to end of round—26 (30, 34, 38) sts.

Rounds 4–9 (11, 11, 13): Repeat Rounds 2 and 3, 3 (4, 4, 5) more times—32 (38, 42, 48) sts.

Round 10 (12, 12, 14): Repeat Round 2. Remove marker.

Hand

Round 1: With A, Tks 2, yarn over, skip 11 (13, 13, 15) sts (for thumb opening), Tks 19 (23, 27, 31)—22 (26, 30, 34) sts (counting the yarn over as one st). Take care when working the return pass to treat each yarn over as a st. **Note:** You may wish to put a marker in the yarn over. This is where the yarn will be joined later to work the thumb.

Round 2: With A, Tks in each st around.

Repeat Round 2 until hand measures about 2½ (3, 3½, 4)".

Shape Top

Round 1 (forward pass): With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 1 (return pass - decrease): With B, yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (Dec 1 made), [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 6 (8, 10, 12) times, Dec 1, place a marker on the Dec just completed, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, Dec 1, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 6 (8, 10, 12) times, Dec 1, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook—18 (22, 26, 30) sts. **Notes:** Take care when working next forward pass to insert hook through both stitches (at once) of a Dec. Move marker up as each round is worked.

Round 2: With A, Tks in each st around. Work standard return pass.

Round 3 (forward pass): With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 3 (return pass - decrease): With B, Dec 1, *yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * to 1 loop before next marked st, Dec 1, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, Dec 1, **yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * until 4 loops remain on hook, Dec 1, yarn over and draw through last 2 loops on hook—14 (18, 22, 26) sts.

Rounds 4–5 (7, 9, 11): Repeat Rounds 2 and 3, 1 (2, 3, 4) times—10 sts.

Round 6 (8, 10, 12): With A, Tks in each st around. On last return pass work until only 1 loop remains on hook, ch 1. Cut B, leaving a 6" tail.

Bind off: With Right Side facing and A, insert hook in the first st (as if to work a Tks), yarn over and draw up a loop, *insert hook in next st, yarn over and draw loop through st and through loop on hook; repeat from * around. Cut A, leaving an 8" tail. Cut



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A, leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail through front loops of bind-off stitches. Pull to gather and close top of mitten. Secure end.

Thumb

Work rounds of thumb in groups of about 5 or 6 sts.

Round 1 (forward pass): Insert hook, front to back, under the horizontal bar where the yarn over was made at the beginning of the thumb opening; with A, yarn over and draw up a loop, insert hook in space before the first skipped st of the thumb opening and draw up a loop, Tks in each of the skipped sts of the thumb opening, insert hook in space following the skipped sts and before the first st of the round and draw up a loop—14 (16, 16, 18) sts.

Round 1 (return pass): With Wrong Side facing and B, make a slip knot and place it on the hook, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, Dec 1, *yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * to last 3 loops, Dec 1—12 (14, 14, 16) sts.

Rounds 2–8 (8, 12, 14): With A, Tks in each st around.

Size X-Large Only

Round 15 (forward pass): With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 15 (return pass - decrease): With B, *[yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 2 times, Dec 1; repeat from * around—12 sts.

Round 16: With A, Tks in each st around.

All Sizes

Bind off: Work bind off same as bind off at top of mitten. Cut A, leaving an 8" tail. Thread tail through front loops of bind-off stitches. Pull to gather and close top of thumb. Secure end.

LEFT MITTEN

Work same as right mitten to thumb gusset.

Shape Thumb Gusset

Round 1: With A, Tks 19 (23, 27, 31), Inc 1, Tks 1, Inc 1, Tks 2—24 (28, 32, 36) sts.

Place a stitch marker on the 2nd to last and on the 6th to last stitch, for outer edges of gusset. Move markers up as each round is worked.

Round 2: With A, Tks in each st around.

Round 3: With A, Tks in each st to next marked st, Tks in marked st, Inc 1, Tks in each st to next marked st, Inc 1, Tks in marked st, Tks in each st to end of round—26 (30, 34, 38) sts.

Rounds 4–9 (11, 11, 13): Repeat Rounds 2 and 3, 3 (4, 4, 5) more times—32 (38, 42, 48) sts.

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Round 2: With A, Tks in each st around.

Repeat Round 2 until hand measures about 2½ (3, 3½, 4)".

Complete mitten same as right mitten.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.



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Art. T100 available in 3.5 oz (100 g); 155 yd
(142 m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: A, and B = color A, and color B; ch = chain; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

