

# Multimodal split bike mitts

Keep your fingers toasty on your bike this winter! These split (or lobster claw) mittens are cozier than gloves, and less bother to knit too.

The split design gives you freedom of movement to change gears and ding the bell. Because they're worked in several small steps, they feel like they knit up in no time at all.

Materials:

- 50g sock yarn  
*I used 45g of Holst Garn Highland Sock Yarn*  
*13 Tapestry*
- 2.75mm DPN or circular needles
- Stitch markers and scrap yarn



- Gauge: 11 stitches = 4cm in stockinette.
- Size: medium women's hand. Try it on as you work to get the length just right!

These mittens are identical. Make two just the same.

Worked from the cuff up.

### Cast on

1. Using 2.75mm needles, cast on 54 stitches. Place marker for beginning of round.
2. \*k1 p1\* for 8 cm.
3. k1, KFB, knit 25, KFB.
4. Knit two rounds.

### Work thumb gusset

5. *Begin thumb gusset.* SM KFB, K1, KFB. PM. Knit rest of round. Then:
  - i. Knit
  - ii. SM KFB, knit until one stitch before marker, KFB. Knit rest of round.
6. Repeat previous two rounds until there are 25 stitches between markers (ending on a round ii). Leaving one marker in place, transfer stitches between the markers to holders or scrap yarn.
7. Divide for fingers. SM, knit 14, CO 4. Place next 26 stitches on scrap yarn. Knit 14.

### Knit the first finger pocket

8. You have 30 stitches (14 +4 +14). Knit until 10cm or desired length.
9. *Begin decreases.*
  - i. K2tog, knit until 2 stitches before marker, SSK.
  - ii. Knit.
10. Repeat until 22 stitches remain, ending on a round ii. Break yarn and pull through to fasten off.

### Knit the second finger pocket

11. Transfer the 26 stitches placed on holders or scrap yarn back onto the needle, then pick up 4 stitches along the CO worked on round 7.
12. Place marker for beginning of round. Knit for 10cm or desired length.
13. *Work decreases as above until 20 stitches remain.* Break yarn and pull through to fasten off.

### Knit thumb

14. Transfer the 25 stitches placed on hold in round 6 onto the needle, plus pick up another stitch in the 'gap' between the thumb and first finger.
15. Place marker for beginning of round. Knit for 4.5cm or desired length.
16. *Work decreases as above until 19 stitches remain.* Break yarn and pull through to fasten off.



## Finishing

Weave in ends, (darning any gaps left from picking up stitches) then wash and gently block flat.

## Abbreviations

- CO** Cast on  
*I began with a long tail cast on and used a cable cast on elsewhere*
- K** Knit
- P** Purl
- PM** Place marker
- SM** Slip marker
- KFB** Knit front back
- k2tog** Knit two stitches together
- SSK** Slip two stitches, then knit slipped stitches together