



Simpliworsted Kid's Winter Buzz Mittens

Modification of a design by Michelle Hunter for *skacel collection, Inc.*

Original adult mitten design can be found at <http://knitpurlhunter.com/kal/category/winter-buzz/>



SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

YARN WEIGHT: Worsted

FEATURED YARN: **Simpliworsted** by **HiKoo**, 55% Merino Superwash, 28% Acrylic, 17% Nylon - 140 yds / 100g.

Shown in Color #003.

SIZE AND MATERIALS:

Kid's Size	Small	Medium
Hand Circumference	6"	6"
Hand Length	4"	5"
Total Length	6.5"	8"
Yarn	1 hank (140 yds)	1 hank (140 yds)

Note: Hand circumference will comfortably stretch up to 8". Hand length may be adjusted.

addi Needles:

3.5 mm (approx US 4) DPNs

4.0 mm (approx US 6) DPNs

or sizes needed to obtain gauge

Additional Notions:

Cable needle, stitch holders, tapestry needle

All yarn and needles distributed by **skacel collection, Inc.**

GAUGE:

5 sts = 1 inch in Stockinette Stitch on larger size needles.

To save time, check your gauge and read all instructions thoroughly before beginning.

STITCH PATTERNS:

Cable Pattern:

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2: * C2B, C2F; rep from *.

Rnd 3: Knit.

Rnd 4: *C2F, C2B; rep from *.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Cuff:

With smaller needles, CO 27 sts using German Twisted Cast On method (see Techniques below).

Divide sts evenly among needles and join in the rnd taking care not to twist the sts.

Work a k2, p1 rib for 16 (20) rnds or until cuff reaches desired length.

Inc Rnd: (k2, p1, kfb, k1, p1) 2x, k2, p1, kfb, k1, p1, k2, pfb, k2, p1, kfb, k1, p1 = 32 sts (first 16 sts of rnd form Top of Hand; second 16 sts of rnd form Palm of Hand).

Hand:

Switch to larger size needles.

Work Cable Pattern across Top sts and knit across Palm sts for 4 rnds, or to base of thumb, ending after an even numbered rnd.

Right Mitten Only:

Top of Hand: Work in est pat.

Palm: K2, place marker, M1R, k2, M1L, place marker, knit to end of rnd (4 Thumb Gusset sts between markers).

Next Rnd: Work in est pat across Top of Hand and knit across all Palm and Thumb Gusset sts.

Left Mitten Only:

Top of Hand: Work in est pat.

Palm: K12, place marker, M1R, k2, M1L, place marker, knit to end of rnd (4 Thumb Gusset sts between markers).

Next Rnd: Work in est pat across Top of Hand and knit across all Palm and Thumb Gusset sts.

BOTH Mittens:

While continuing to work in est pat, increase 2 Thumb Gusset sts every other rnd as follows:



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Rnd 1: *Top of Hand stitches* - work in est pat; *Palm stitches* - knit to first marker, sm, M1R, knit to second marker, M1L, sm, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: Work in est pat across Top of Hand, knit all Palm sts with no increases.

Rep rnds 1 & 2 until there are 8 sts between markers, ending after working Rnd 2.

Next Rnd: Work in est pat across Top of Hand, knit to first marker, transfer 8 Thumb sts onto a stitch holder, removing markers, CO 2 sts to Right Hand needle using Backward Loop Cast On, knit to end of rnd. Continue working in est pat, until mitten measures 1.5" less than desired length (measured from tip of tallest finger), ending after working Rnd 4 of cable pattern = 5 (7) complete cables worked.

Top of Mitten:

Decrease in pat as follows:

Rnd 1: *Top of Hand stitches* - k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, SSK, k1; *Palm stitches* - k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, SSK, k1 = 28 sts.

Rnd 2: *Top of Hand stitches* - k1, C2F, work in est pat to last 3 sts, C2B, k1; *Palm stitches* - knit.

Rnd 3: *Top of Hand stitches* - k2, k2tog, knit to last 4 sts, SSK, k2; *Palm stitches* - k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, SSK, k1 = 24 sts.

Rnd 4: *Top of Hand stitches* - k2, C2F, work in est pat to last 4 sts, C2B, k2; *Palm stitches* - knit.

Rnd 5: *Top of Hand stitches* - k3, k2tog, knit to last 5 sts, SSK, k3; *Palm stitches* - k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, SSK, k1 = 20 sts.

Rnd 6: Knit all sts.

Close top of mitten using Kitchener Stitch.

Thumb:

Place the first 4 sts from stitch holder onto a DPN (N1) and the last 4 sts from stitch holder onto a second DPN (N2).

Leaving a 12" tail, and using a third DPN (N3), pick up and knit 1 stitch in the first Backward Loop Cast On st. M1R in the strand that leads to the first st on N1.

Knit the first 2 sts from N1 to N3. With a fourth DPN, knit the last 2 sts from N1 and the first 2 sts from N2.

With the free DPN, knit the last 2 sts from N2. M1L in the strand that leads from the stitch below the last stitch knit. Pick up and knit 1 stitch in the second Backward Loop Cast On st = 12 Thumb sts (4 sts per needle).

Join into a rnd.

Knit 8 (11) rnds, or until Thumb reaches desired length.

Next Rnd: *k2tog; rep from * around = 6 sts.

Break yarn and thread through remaining sts twice and pull tight to close.

FINISHING:

Weave in ends using thumb tail to close any remaining gaps in Thumb gusset.

ABBREVIATIONS:

C2B	Slip next stitch to cable needle and hold in back of work, knit next stitch from left needle, knit stitch from cable needle.
C2F	Slip next stitch to cable needle and hold in front of work, knit next stitch from left needle, knit stitch from cable needle.
CO	Cast On
DPN(s)	Double Pointed Needle(s)
est	established
k	knit
k2tog	knit two together
kfb	knit into front and back of stitch
p	purl
pat	pattern
pfb	purl into front and back of stitch
rnd(s)	round(s)
M1L	(Make One Left) With left needle tip, lift strand between needles from front to back . Knit the lifted strand through the back .
M1R	(Make One Right) With left needle tip, lift strand between needles from back to front . Knit the lifted strand through the front .
sm	slip marker
SSK	slip next stitch as if to knit, slip next stitch as if to knit, insert left needle into the front of these two slipped stitches from left to right and knit together.
st(s)	stitch(es)

TECHNIQUES:

Backward Loop Cast On

German Twisted Cast On

Instructions for these cast on methods and other techniques can be found under *Video Tips* at knitpurlhunter.com.

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