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Patterns for Homesteaders (And Everyone Else)

Knitted Barn Mitts



This pair of Ribbed Barn Mitts is knitted from my handspun Jacob yarn.

These soft and cozy mitts are quick and very easy to knit. They'll fit most women's hands, especially if you use a stretchy wool to knit the ribbed pattern. This is a great project to knit with handspun yarn, but any worsted weight yarn will work. If you're going to wear them while gardening or doing barn work you may want to knit them in at least a 2 ply yarn for added strength. Using yarn from the Down breeds or Hog Island (non-felting wool breeds) will give you amazing machine washable mitts. If you want to make these for a man or child, add or subtract stitches in units of 4. And you can always make them longer than the 6" that the pattern calls for.

Skills Needed: Cast On, Knit, Purl, Bind Off, Stitch a Simple Seam

Supplies

- 100 yards of worsted weight yarn, preferably wool
- Size 8 Knitting Needles
- A large eyed yarn or tapestry needle

Gauge: Gauge is not super important here if you're using wool yarn. Just choose a yarn that knits up to at least 4 or 5 stitches per inch on a test swatch. Worsted or Aran weight (Medium, Size 4) is perfect.

Pattern:

CO 32 stitches. Keep the stitches relaxed, not tight.

Row 1: K2P2 *repeat to end of row

Row 2: Repeat Row 1

Knit in 2x2 rib pattern until your piece is 6" long.

Bind off loosely.

Seam each rectangle up the side, leaving a 2" opening for the thumb. Knit an identical ribbed rectangle for the second mitt. Stitch up the side. Weave in ends and enjoy the coziness!