

# Cabled Child or Toddler Mitts



**Yarn:** about 42 yards of any chunky/super bulky yarn suitable for children's wear. The models were knit using Cascade 128 (black tweed), Rowan Yorkshire Tweed Chunky (orange tweed), and Lamb's Pride Bulky (green and orchid).

**Gauge:** 3 stitches per inch in stockinette.

**Needles:** US Size 10 or whatever size needle gives you the correct gauge.

**Size:** to fit a child about 2 – 8 years; 5" circumference, un-stretched, at wrist; 6" length, for an older child the mitts do not go up the arm as far, if you want longer mitts you could work more rows in plain ribbing before starting the cables.



## Stitch Glossary

**CO** : cast on

**K** : knit

**P** : purl

**Sl** : slip the stitch from the left needle to the right without working it.

**CL** : Sl 2 stitches to a cable needle and **hold in front** of the work, k2p1 from the left needle, k2 from the cable needle, p1 from the left needle

**CR** : Sl 2 stitches to a cable needle and **hold in back** of the work, k2p1 from the left needle, k2 from the cable needle, p1 from the left needle

## Personalizing

If you are the sort who cares about such things you can knit the thumb of one mitt in a contrasting color to help your child identify which mitt goes on which hand. My daughter sometimes confuses her left and right so I told her the purple thumb goes on the hand she uses to hold a pencil. She gets them on the correct hand every time.

There is no real issue with fit if your child does wear their mitts on opposite hands. The preference is purely aesthetic as the cables are shown to their best advantage when worn as instructed.



### Left Mitt

CO 18 stitches

Join to work in the round with 6 stitches on each needle  
Work 12 rounds in k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1 CL k2 p1 k2 p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 CL  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: CL k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1, using scrap yarn knit 3 stitches, slide the stitches back onto the left needle and using the working yarn k2 p1, continue the round in k2p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 CL  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: Bind off in rib

### Thumb:

Unravel your scrap yarn leaving 3 stitches on the bottom needle and 3 stitches on the top needle. Starting with the bottom needle:

k2 p1(3 st on first needle)

Pick up and k2 st between the bottom and top needles onto a second needle, p1 from the top needle onto the second needle (3 st on second needle)  
k2 from the top needle onto a third needle, pick up and p1 st between the top and the bottom needles(3 st on third needle)

Join to work in the round and work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: Bind off in rib

### Right Mitt

CO 18 stitches

Join to work in the round with 6 stitches on each needle  
Work 12 rounds in k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1 CR k2 p1 k2 p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: CR k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 CR  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: k2 p1 k2 p1, using scrap yarn knit 3 stitches, slide the stitches back onto the left needle and using the working yarn k2 p1, continue the round in k2p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: CR k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1 k2 p1  
Work 2 rounds k2p1 rib

Next round: Bind off in rib

### Thumb:

Work thumb the same as the left mitt.



### Finishing

Weave in all ends using the ends by the thumb to secure any holes or gaps in that area.