

## Mittens

Yarn: Peer Gynt, 3 balls of the main colour and 1 ball white.  
Hook: 3 ½ mm

The mittens are ladies size and the stitches are made in single crochet in the back loop of the single crochet.



Starting chain: Chain 50

Join the chain, be sure not to twist it.

Single crochet 50 in the back loop for 10 rows. Do not end the rows with a chain, let the rows go on fluently.

On the next row single crochet 8, crochet together 9 and 10 to one stitch and repeat. The row will have 45 stitches.

On the next row single crochet 7, crochet together 8 and 9 to one stitch and repeat = 40 sts.

Single crochet 3 rows.

The next row is an increasing row. Single crochet 7, single crochet 2 stitches in the same stitch, repeat = 45 sts.

Keep on crochet until the mitten has 20 rows. Now we are preparing for the thumb.

Single crochet until there is 10 stitches left on the row. Chain 8 and continue single crochet after the 10 sts. Continue single crochet on the 43 stitches. The mitten is smaller after the thumb hole to make it fit better.

After 36 rows from the start it is time to decrease for the top. Divide the stitches 22 on the outside of the mitten and 21 on the inside. Single crochet two stitches together, single crochet 18, single crochet two stitches together two times, single

crochet 17, single crochet two together.  
Single crochet one row.

On the next row decrease just one time over the two decreases from the first decreasing row.

Single crochet one row.

Keep on decreasing every other row until 33 stitches. From now on decrease every row.

Single crochet 4, crochet two stitches together, repeat.  
Single crochet 3, crochet two stitches together, repeat.  
Single crochet 2, crochet two stitches together, repeat.  
Single crochet 1, crochet two stitches together, repeat.  
Single crochet two together, repeat until you can not do it any more. Finish off.

#### **The thumb:**

Start single crochet on the upper side of the hole, in the middle of that part. In the sides of the hole make some stitches in the both loops to make it look better without small holes. If you crochet in every stitch in the sides you may have to decrease a stitch or so on the next row to avoid a thumb that is too big.  
Single crochet 22 - 23 stitches on the row for ten rows. Try the mitten on and adjust the thumb if necessary.

Now decrease:

Single crochet 4, single crochet two together, repeat.  
Single crochet one row.  
Single crochet 2, single crochet two together, repeat.  
Single crochet one row.  
Single crochet two together until you can not do it anymore.  
Finish off.

#### **The edge:**

Crochet with the white yarn. Single crochet 1, chain 3, single crochet in the first chain stitch, skip one stitch on the mitten and repeat.

The other mitten has the thumb in the beginning on the row.

Wash the mittens gently to make them softer and a bit denser.