



Shades of the Celtic Forest Wrist Warmers
CreatingTheHive.com Autumn Challenge

Falling leaves, crisp cool air, and harvest blessings are signs of the Autumn season. Knit these lacy, Celtic inspired, wrist warmers on two needles. Sip your apple cider and take in the beauty that is Autumn. This free pattern is my gift to you during this festive season of reaping the harvest and thanksgiving.
Rated Easy (basic knowledge of knitting required)

x 6 ½"/16.5cm

Finished Size Medium Adult. Yarn will stretch a bit when worn
Circumference 7"/17.8cm(7 ½"/19.1cm)

Materials

1 skein Herrschners Halloween, 98% Acrylic, 2% Polyester, 1.75 oz/50g/90yd/82m. Green (or color of choice)

U.S. size 8 (5.0 mm) Straight Knitting Needles

Tapestry Needle

Stitch Marker

Gauge 16 sts/22rows = 4"

Always remember to check your gauge.

Notes regarding gauge:

It's important, and helpful, to knit a swatch before starting any project. Your swatch will ensure accuracy in the final fit, especially when substituting a yarn. Regardless of the needle size indicated in the pattern, use whatever size gives you the stated gauge for the project. The yarn band gauge suggests a yarn will work to a certain number of stitches, however, your gauge will vary according to tension, needle size, yarn, and stitches used.

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Abbreviations

k knit

p purl

st(s) stitch or stitches

* repeat instructions following the single asterick as directed

k2tog decrease by knitting two stitches together.

yo, (also known as yfwd) bring yarn forward by bringing the yarn between your needles to the front or public side.

sl 1, k1, pss0 (also seen as SKP) This is a type of decrease where you slip 1 st as if to knit, knit the next st, and then with the tip of your left hand needle, pass the slipped stich up and over the knitted st and off the end of the needle.

I've included video resources at the end of this pattern to help you with the more advanced sts and for a bind off technique you might like to try with this project. You may also consult your primary knitting resource book, LYS, or friendly knitting instructor.

Pattern x (5 + 2)

Make Two.

Cast on 27 sts

(Tip: keep your tension loose when working the ribbing if you tend to knit tightly.)

Ribbing:

Row 1: k1, p1 across to end of row.

Row 2: p1, k1 “ .

Repeat these two rows for 1”/2.5 cm

Next,
k 1 row
p1 row

Start pattern

Row 1: k2, *p3, k2, repeat from * to end of row.
Row 2: p2, *k1, yo, sl 1, k1, pssso, p2, repeat from * to end of row.
Row 3: k2, *p3, k2, repeat from * to end of row.
Row 4: p2, *k2 tog, yo, k1, p2, repeat from * to end of row.
Continue knitting the 4 pattern rows for 4"/10.2 cm

Next,
k 1 row
p 1 row

Repeat Ribbing Pattern for 1"/ 2.5 cm.

Bind off in pattern. Knit the knits and purl the purls.

Leave a tail approximately 12"/30.5 cm long to seam the sides together. I usually seam on the non-public or wrong side of the knitting when making these.

Weave in ends.

Video Resources

KnitWitch on You Tube

yo http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Qg_ttEMUo OR

yo (yrwd) from eHow on YouTube with Jan

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-oiPTEu_88

k2tog <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sBpbLmgwHFA>

sl1, k1, pssso demo

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plINNYt-Q94&feature=channel>

Cast off by Cat Bordhi, **PERSONAL FOOTPRINTS-Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind-Off**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=abBhe-JYmgI>

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