



## Winter Buzz Part Four

### Instructions...

#### **Thumb - Mitten**

Place first 6 stitches from stitch holder onto a double point needle. This will be Needle #1.

Place last 6 stitches from stitch holder onto a second double point needle. This will be Needle #2.

With a third double point needle, pick up one stitch in “ditch” on left side of thumb opening (area between Needle #2 and the backward loop cast on stitches), pick up 2 stitches above thumb opening (former backward loop cast on stitches), and one stitch in “ditch” on right side of thumb opening (area between the backward loop cast on stitches and Needle #1). There are 4 stitches on Needle #3 for a total of 16 thumb stitches.

Beginning round at Needle #1, join yarn leaving a 12” tail.

Knit 12, (k2tog) twice. 14 thumb stitches.

Knit all 14 stitches until thumb reaches halfway up thumbnail.

Decrease thumb as follows:

\*k2tog, k1; repeat from \* to last 2 stitches, k2tog. (9 stitches)

\*k2tog; repeat from \* to last stitch, k1. (5 stitches)

Break yarn and thread through loop and pull tight to close.

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

#### **Thumb - Fingerless Mitt**

Work same as Mitten Thumb, except ending when thumb reaches halfway up thumb or to desired length. Do not decrease.

Bind off loosely.

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

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Cool Hands = Warm Heart  
Warm Mittens = Cool Knitting Chick

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