

Gypsy Rose Lee Armwarmers

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Unstretched, the armwarmers measure 5" in circumference around the hand and 13" long. These armwarmers are very stretchy and knit to the gauge specified, they will comfortably fit up to a 8" circumference hand (just below fingers) and 12" circumference arm (just below the elbow).

Gauge: 8 stitches and 12 rows = 1" (2.5 cm) in stockinette stitch

Needles: 2 US size 1 (2.25mm) circular needles, or 1 long circular needle for Magic Loop, or size to attain gauge, optional: crochet hook in size appropriate for your needles

Yarn: Tempted Yarns Feisty Grrl, 100% superwash merino, fingering weight, 100 grams, 420 yards

Note: the armwarmers are knit from the hand down to the elbow, so you can try them on as you knit and adjust the length as desired.

Directions:

Cast on 52 stitches, placing 25 stitches on Needle One and 27 stitches on Needle Two. Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist your stitches. Work p1, k1 ribbing across Needle One, ending with a p1, and work k1, p1 ribbing across Needle Two, ending with a k1. Work a total of 12 rounds of ribbing in this manner.

Next round:

Needle One: Knit across all stitches.

Needle Two: work across in k1 p1 rib as set.

Start the lace pattern:

Note: the Lace Chart shows odd-numbered rows only. For even-numbered rows, knit all stitches.

Round 1:

Needle One: Work Row 1 of the lace chart over the 25 stitches for the back of the hand.

Needle Two: work across in k1 p1 rib.

Round 2:

Needle One: Knit across the 25 stitches on the needle.

Needle Two: **For the left hand:** k1, p1, bind off the next 8 stitches in rib, then rib to the end of the round.

For the right hand: work in rib to the last 10 stitches on the needle, off the next 8 stitches in rib, then rib to the end of the round.

Round 3:

Needle One: Work Row 3 of the lace chart over the 25 stitches on the needle.

Needle Two: **For the left hand:** k1, p1, cast on 8 stitches using a knitted-on cast-on over the gap created by the bind-off on the previous round, then rib to the end of the round.

For the right hand: work in k1 p1 rib across to the gap created by



the bound-off stitches on the previous round, then cast on 8 stitches using a knitted-on cast-on over the gap created by the bind-off on the previous round, then rib to the end of the round.

Round 4:

Needle One: Knit across the 25 stitches on the needle.

Needle Two: work across in k1 p1 rib.

Continue in this manner, repeating the 14 rows of the chart on Needle One four times (a total of 56 chart rounds worked), and working in k1 p1 rib on Needle Two.

Start the increases:

Needle One: Work Row 1 of the lace chart.

Needle Two: Increase by picking up 1 stitch before the first stitch, purl that stitch, work across in k1 p1 rib, then pick up 1 stitch and purl that stitch after the last stitch of the round: 2 stitches increased.

Work in the pattern as set through Row 7 of the Lace chart. On Row 8, increase 2 stitches in the same manner by picking up and knitting the increased stitches.

Continue working in this manner, increasing 2 stitches on the first and eighth round of each pattern repeat, until you have completed a total of eight repeats of the 14-row Lace Chart. Now work one more repeat of the 14-row Lace Chart without working any increases, or until your armwarmer is one inch shorter than your desired completed length.

Note: you can try on your armwarmer as you knit and make adjustments in the increases, working more or fewer, for a custom fit.

Work k1 p1 ribbing for 12 rounds and bind off loosely in rib.

Optional: using a crochet hook in the same size as your needles, neatly crochet a chain around the thumb hole.

Weave in all ends and wet or steam block if needed.

Lace Chart

Note that only odd-numbered rows are shown. On even-numbered rows, knit all stitches.

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Chart Key

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 Knit 2 together through back loops
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 Slip 1, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch

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