

Very Easy Handspun Cowl & Mitts



I used a DK-weight handspun yarn, but any similar weight yarn would work.

Materials: About 250 yards of DK-weight yarns. Buttons (6 for mitts, 6 for cowl).

Knitting needles: US 6 / 4.0 mm knitting.

Gauge: About 22 stitches over 4 inches/5.5 stitches per inch.

Mitts: CO 35 stitches.

Knit every row until you have a square – mine was 7½ inches. Bind off leaving a tail you can sew with. Do a bit less if you have small hands – the important part is that it fits well around your hand. Repeat for the other hand.

Fold in half and sew top of sides together for 1 inch. Go down to 1¾ inches below that and sew again for 1 inch. Crochet slip stitch along the rest of the edge, making 3-two chain button loops evenly spaced along the remaining part of the side. Sew on buttons to the other side of the mitt.

Cowl: CO 35 stitches.

Knit until cowl is 24". Evenly space 6 button holes on next row. Buttonholes can be made by doing a yarn over on that row – then when you knit back across, do k2tog where the yo is. Knit 3 more rows and bind off loosely. Sew buttons down one side to correspond to the holes.