

Playful

Materials:

2 x 50g balls of DK (8-ply) super fine alpaca yarn
– parchment; 250m/273yd
2 black buttons

Needles:

1 pair of 4.5mm (UK 7/US 7) single-pointed
knitting needles
1 pair of 5mm (UK 6/US 8) single-pointed
knitting needles
1 cable needle

Instructions:

Make two. The yarn is used double throughout.

Using 4.5mm (UK 7/US 7) needles, cast on 34
sts, then ktbl to form a
neat edge.

Rows 1–2: *k1, p1*, rep from * to * to end of
row.

Change to 5mm (UK 6/US 8) needles and start
12-row pattern; inc 1 st at beginning and 1 st at
end of the first row only [36 sts].

Rows 1 and 11: *k3, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1*, rep
from * to * to end of row.

Rows 2, 10 and 12: *k1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, p3*,
rep from * to * to end of row.

Row 3: *k3, slip 3 sts onto a cable needle and
place at front of work, k1, p1, k1, then p1, k1,
p1 from cable needle*, rep from * to * to end
of row.

Rows 4, 6 and 8: *p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p3*, rep
from * to * to end of row.

Rows 5 and 7: *k3, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1*, rep
from * to * to end of row.

Row 9: k3, slip next 3 sts onto a cable needle
and place at front of work, p1, k1, p1, then k1,
p1, k1 from cable needle*, rep from * to * to
end of row.

Rep rows 1–12, then rep rows 1–10 once more.

Change to 4.5mm (UK 7/US 7) needles.



Decrease by k2tog evenly across the next row.
The decreases take place on the first row of the
final rib only.

Next row (wrist end): *k1, p1* rep from * to * to
end of row.

Rep above row once more, then cast off all sts.

Making up

With RS facing, use a tapestry needle and
mattress stitch to join the side seams, 5cm (2in)
from the finger end and 6cm (2½in) from the
wrist end. Using spare yarn, add a button to
embellish each wrist cuff.

Weave in all loose ends.