



# BRAMBLY MITTS

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Introducing Brambly, a pair of mitts inspired by the beloved Brambly Hedge stories by Jill Barklem and the protective hedgerows that shelter nature's little creatures through winter. Designed for Worsted Grey, these mitts celebrate the beauty of this special yarn, with its warm, frosted hues reminiscent of brambles dusted with frost and early signs of spring peeking through the undergrowth.

The Brambly mitts feature a folded rib cuff and a delicate slip stitch detail on the hand. Brambly is a simple, thoughtful design. The plump, soft texture of Worsted Grey makes these mitts a pleasure to knit and wear, bringing a touch of warmth to late-winter days.

Designed to use just one skein of yarn, Brambly is the perfect project for when you're looking for a quick knit during a cold snap.

Full of storybook charm, Brambly is a small celebration of winter's beauty and the promise of spring.



Sizes: 1 (2, 3)

Finished measurements:

Finished hand circumference: 17.5 (19, 21) cm / 6.75 (7.5, 8.25)"

Total length with cuff folded (adjustable): 23 (24, 25.5) cm / 9 (9.5, 10)"

Needles: 4 mm / US 6 80 cm / 32" circular needle for magic loop or double-pointed needles

Gauge: 23 sts x 34 rnds = 10 cm x 10 cm [4"] in Slip Stitch using 4 mm / US 6 needles  
24 sts x 26 rnds = 10 cm x 10 cm [4"] in 2x2 rib using 4 mm / US 6 needles

Notions: Stitch markers, tapestry needle, waste yarn

Yarn: 1 skein, Annabel Williams Worsted Grey (Worsted weight, 33% Bluefaced Leicester, 33% Zwartbles, 33% Falklands Merino, 200 m/219 yds per 100 g/3.5 oz skein). Or approx. 150 (168, 188) m / 164 (184, 206) yds of worsted weight yarn.

Samples knitted in colourways 'Bramble' & 'Rowan'

### Notes before you begin:

The pattern uses almost a full skein for size 3 when using the original yarn. If you swatch, please remember that you may need to use your swatch yarn to complete the mitts.

Slip Stitch Pattern:

Rnd 1: \*k1, sl1 wyib\* to end

Rnd 2: k to end

If you plan to print this pattern, please consider only printing pages 4 & 5 to save resources.

# INSTRUCTIONS

## Right hand

### Cuff section

Using 4mm / US 6 needle(s), CO 40 (44, 48) sts using long-tail cast-on. Place a BORM and join to work in the round.

Work 2x2 rib (k2, p2) for 10 cm / 4".

### Thumb gusset

Begin working in Slip Stitch pattern starting at the beginning of the round (BOR), work 10 (10, 12) stitches in pattern, then place a marker for the thumb.

Rnd 1: \*k1, sl1 wyib\* to end.

Rnd 2: k to end.

After 2 (6, 4) rnds worked in Slip stitch pattern, start the thumb increases.

Inc rnd 1: (k1, sl1 wyib) to m, sl m, m1l, (k1, sl1 wyib) to end. (1 st inc'd)

Inc rnd 2: k to m, sl m, k to end.

Inc rnd 3: (k1, sl1 wyib) to m, sl m, m1l, sl1 wyib, (k1, sl1 wyib) to end. (1 st inc'd)

Inc rnd 4: k to m, sl m, k to end.

Inc rnds 5-6: work 2 rnds in Slip stitch pattern (no increases).

Rep last 6 rnds 2 (1, 2) more time(s). 46 (48, 54) sts on your needles.

Work 0 (6, 2) more rnds even. The hand measures 6 (6.5, 7) cm / 2.25 (2.5, 2.75)".

Note: At this point, try your mitt on to check the fit before dividing for the thumb. You may like to add more rnds. Work extra rnds in multiples of 2, ending with rnd 2 of the pattern. Make a note of any modifications to the pattern so they can be made for the left hand.

Divide for thumb as follows:

Place 10 (10, 12) sts on hold on waste

yarn, remove thumb marker, CO 4 (6, 6) sts with backward loops, work to end.

40 (44, 48) sts.

### Hand section

Work even in Slip Stitch pattern until the hand measures 14 (15, 16) cm / 5.5 (6, 6.25)" or 4 (4, 4.5) cm / 1.5 (1.5, 1.75)" from the tip of fingers, ending with Rnd 1 of pattern as follows; \*k1, sl1 wyib\* 10 (11, 12) times (20 (22 24) sts), pm, \*k1, sl1 wyib\* 9 (10, 11) times (18 (20, 22) sts), stopping 2 sts before BORM.

### Decreasing

The start of the decrease round uses the last 2 sts from your previous round. Follow the abbreviation for removing and replacing markers.

Dec rnd: CDD replacing m, k to 2 sts before next m, CDD, k to end. (4 sts dec'd) Keeping slip st pattern correct, rep Dec rnd every 4th rnd once, then every other rnd 3 (3, 4) times. 20 (24, 24) sts.

### Sizes 1 & 2

Rnd 1: \*k2, (sl1 wyib, k1) 3 (4, -) times, k1, sl1 wyib\*, rep \* to \* once.

Rnd 2: \*k2tog, k 5 (7, -), ssk, k1\*, rep \* to \* once.

### Size 3

Rnd 1: \*k1, sl1 wyib\* to end.

Rnd 2: k1, ssk, k5, k2tog, k3, ssk, k5, k2tog, k2  
16 (20, 20) sts.

Distribute sts on two needles and graft them using Kitchener stitch.

### Thumb

With back side facing and starting at your cast on sts pick up 2 (4, 4) sts, pick up and knit in pattern the 10 (10, 12) thumb sts,

pick up 2 (2, 2) CO sts, place a BORM. If you find you have a gap between the thumb sts and the sts you have just picked up on the CO edge, pick up an additional st on each side and decrease these on the next round. 14 (16, 18) sts.

Work in pattern until thumb measures 6 (6.5, 7) cm / 2.5 (2.5, 2.75)" or until desired length.

Dec rnd: k2tog around. 7 (8, 9) sts.

Break yarn and pass through live sts.

### **Left hand - cuff section**

Work the cuff as for the right hand.

### **Thumb gusset**

Start working in Slip Stitch pattern, placing a thumb marker 10 (10, 12) sts before BORM.

After 2 (6, 4) rnds worked in Slip Stitch pattern, start the thumb increases.

Inc rnd 1: (k1, sl1 wyib) to m, m1r, sl m, (k1, sl1 wyib) to end. (1 st inc'd)

Inc rnd 2: k to m, sl m, k to end.

Inc rnd 3: (k1, sl1 wyib) to 1 st before m, k1, m1r, sl m, (k1, sl1 wyib) to end. (1 st inc'd)

Inc rnd 4: k to m, sl m, k to end.

Inc rnds 5-6: work 2 rnds in Slip Stitch pattern.

Rep last 6 rnds 2 (1, 2) more time(s). 46 (48, 54) sts on your needles.

Work 0 (6, 2) more rnds even. The hand measures 6 (6.5, 7) cm / 2.5 (2.5, 2.75)". If at this point you made any modifications to the right hand, add them here.

Divide for thumb as follows:

Work to m, remove m, place last 10 (10, 12) sts on hold on waste yarn, CO 4 (6, 6) sts with backward loops. 40 (44, 48) sts.

### **Hand section - as for right hand**

### **Decreasing - as for right hand**

### **Left thumb**

With palm side facing and starting at the centre pick up 2 (2, 2) CO sts, pick up and knit in pattern the 10 (10 12) thumb sts, pick up 2 (4, 4) CO sts, place a BORM. If you find you have a gap between the thumb sts and the sts you have just picked up on the CO edge, pick up an additional st on each side and decrease these on the next round. 14 (16, 18) sts.

Work in pattern until thumb measures 6 (6.5, 7) cm / 2.25 (2.5, 2.75)" or until desired length.

Dec rnd: k2tog around. 7 (8, 9) sts.

Break yarn and pass through live sts.

Weave in your ends and gently block.

# ABBREVIATIONS

BOR	beginning of round
BORM	beginning of round marker
CO	cast on
CDD	centered double decrease - slip 2 sts knitwise together, remove marker, knit next st and pass slipped sts over, replace marker. The side decreases at the top are worked over the slipped stitch. When we begin the decreases, the knit st on either side are decreased and sit below the slipped stitch.
dec('d)	decrease(d)
inc('d)	increase(d)
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 sts together
m	marker
m1l	make 1 left
m1r	make 1 right
rep	repeat
rnd(s)	round(s)
sl	slip
ssk	slip slip knit - slip 2 sts knitwise, one at a time, insert left needle into 2 sts and knit them together
sl wyib	slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back
st(s)	stitch(es)





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