Banding Together Hat & Mittens

by Tanis Gray for Cascade Yarns

Materials:

• 1 Hank each Cascade 128 Superwash (3.5oz/100g ea approx. 128yds/117m, 100% superwash merino wool) in #864 Christmas Green (A) and #821

Daffodil (B)

- Size US 7 (4.5mm) DPNs for Mittens
- Size US 7 (4.5mm) 16" Circular Knitting Needle for Hat
- Stitch Holder
- Tapestry Needle

Gauge:

• 18 sts and 24 rows/4" in stockinette st

Approximate Finished Size:

• 6 Year Old, Hat: 19" Circumference

Patterns:

- Stripe Pattern: *knit 2 rows in A, knit 2 rows in B* repeat from * to end of mitten
- Corrugated Rib: *knit with B, purl with A* repeat from * to end of row

Mittens:

Right Mitt

- With A, CO 30 sts, divide evenly over DPNs
- Work corrugated rib for 10 rows
- Next Row: With A, decrease 5 sts evenly across row 25 sts
- Working in stripe pattern, knit for 9 rows
- Next Row: K4, place these sts on stitch holder, knit to end of row
- Next Row: CO 4 sts, knit to end of row
- Work in stripe pattern for 14 rows
- Next Row: *k2tog* until 1 st remains, k1 13 sts
- Knit 1 row
- Next Row: *k2tog* until 1 st remains, k1 7 sts
- Knit 1 row
- Break yarn, leaving long tail, weave through remaining sts and cinch shut





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Thumb

- Place 4 sts from stitch holder onto DPNs, pick up 4 sts at CO thumb edge and 1 st on each side of thumb opening 10 sts, divide as evenly as possible over DPNs
- Work 8 rows in stripe pattern
- Next Row: *k2tog* to end of row 5 sts
- Break yarn, leaving long tail, weave through remaining sts and cinch shut

Left Mitt

- Work as for right mitt until thumb opening
- Next Row: K12, place last 4 sts on stitch holder, knit to end of row
- Next Row: K8, CO 4 sts, knit to end of row
- Continue as for right mitt

Finishing

- Measure the child's wingspan from wrist to wrist and add a few inches
- With A and DPNs, pick up 3 sts from cuff of mitten on the side opposite the thumb, work icord for measurement above
- Attach to other mitten on side opposite thumb
- Weave in all loose ends with tapestry needle
- Block lightly

Hat:

- With A, CO 86 sts on circular knitting needle
- Work 6 rounds in corrugated rib
- Switch to stripe pattern and work until hat measures 7.5" from CO edge
- Next Row: *k2tog* to end of row 43 sts, switch to DPNs when necessary
- Knit 1 row
- Next Row: *k2tog* until one st remains, k1 22 sts
- Knit 1 row
- Next Row: *k2tog* to end of row 11 sts
- Knit 1 row
- Next Row: *k2tog* until one st remains, k1 6 sts
- Break yarn, leaving long tail, weave through remaining sts and cinch shut

Finishing

- Add optional pom pom to top of hat with both A and B
- Weave in all loose ends with tapestry needle
- Block lightly