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INTERMEDIATE

knitting

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®: 1 skein each 319 Cherry Red **A** and 400 Grey Heather **B**

Knitting Needles: 4.5mm [US 7] and 5mm [US 8]

Susan Bates® split lock stitch markers

Yarn needle

GAUGE: 14 and 24 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette st on larger needles. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

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RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); prints, multicolor and heather 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

Maple Leaf Mittens

Show your Canadian pride right down to your fingertips with knit mittens that sport the national symbol. Chart is included for knitting the leaf right into your mittens.

Directions are for child size; changes for woman and man sizes are in parentheses.

Mittens measure 6¾ (8½, 9¾)" (17 (21.5, 25 cm) around and 6½ (10½, 11½)" (16.5 (26.5, 29) cm) in length.

NOTE
You may want to pre-roll a small, separate ball of **B** for working the thumb, to avoid having to cut the main yarn at that point.

SPECIAL STITCHES
M1 = Make 1 (increase) – Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and work strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole, knitting or purling it as indicated by pattern.

1 X 1 RIB
Worked over an even number of sts.
Every row: * K1, p1; repeat from * to end.

RIGHT MITTEN
Cuff
With smaller needles and **A**, cast on 24 (30, 34) sts, and work 1 row (wrong side) in 1x1 Rib.
* Change to **B** and work 2 rows in 1x1 Rib, change to **A** and work 2 rows in 1 x 1 Rib; repeat from * 2 (3, 4) more times.

Hand
Cut **A** and continue with **B**.
Change to larger needles and work in Stockinette st for 0 (2, 4) rows.

Thumb Gusset
Row 1 (right side): K11 (14, 16) sts, place marker, M1, k2, M1, place marker, knit to end – 4 sts between markers, 26 (32, 36) sts total.

Row 2: Purl.
Row 3: Knit to first marker, slip marker, M1, knit to next marker, M1, slip marker, knit to end – 6 sts between markers, 28 (34, 38) sts total.
Row 4: Purl.
Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until there are 10 (12, 14) sts between markers, ending after a wrong side row.

Thumb
With right side facing, slip each st to first marker.
Join a new strand of **B** and work in Stockinette st across center 10 (12, 14) thumb sts only until thumb measures 1½ (2, 2½)" (4 (5, 6.5) cm), ending after a wrong side row.

Shape Top of Thumb
Row 1 (right side): K2tog 5 (6, 7) times – 5 (6, 7) sts.
Row 2: P1 (0, 1), p2tog 2 (3, 3) times – 3 (3, 4) sts.
Cut yarn leaving a tail long enough to sew thumb seam.
Use yarn needle to weave tail through remaining sts and pull tight.
Sew thumb seam.

Continue Hand
Row 1 (right side): K2 (1, 2), place marker, work Row 1 of Maple Leaf chart over next 9 (13, 13) sts, place marker, knit to thumb, pick up and knit 2 sts at base of thumb, knit to end – 24 (30, 34) sts.

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Work evenly until chart is complete. Continue with **B** only until piece measures 5½ (9½, 10½)" (14 (24, 26.5) cm) from beginning, ending after a wrong side row.

Shape Top of Hand
Row 1 (right side): * K2, k2tog; repeat from * to last 0 (2, 2) sts, k0 (2, 2) – 18 (23, 26) sts.
Row 2: Purl.
Row 3: * K1, k2tog; repeat from * to last 0 (2, 2) sts, k0 (2, 2) – 12 (16, 18) sts.
Row 4: Purl.
Row 5: K2tog 6 (8, 9) times – 6 (8, 9) sts.
Row 6: P2tog 3 (4, 4) times, k0 (0, 1) – 3 (4, 5) sts.

Cut yarn leaving a tail long enough to sew side seam.
Use yarn needle to weave tail through remaining sts and pull tight.
Sew side seam.

LEFT MITTEN
Work same as Right Mitten up to "Continue Hand" section.

Continue Hand
Row 1 (right side): Knit to thumb, pick up and knit 2 sts at base of thumb, k0 (0, 1), place marker, work Row 1 of Maple Leaf chart over next 9 (13, 13) sts, place marker, k2 (1, 2) – 24 (30, 34) sts.

Complete hand same as Right Mitten.

FINISHING
Weave in all loose ends.

ABBREVIATIONS
A, B = Color **A**, Color **B**; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **p** = purl; **p2tog** = purl next 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch(es); * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.
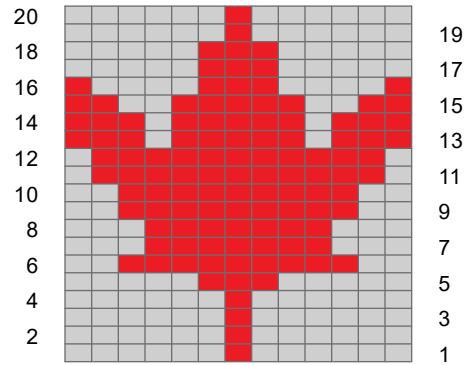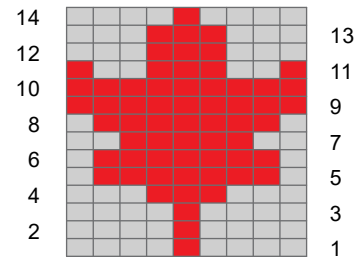
Chart for woman and man sizes

Chart for child size

Color Key:
A
B