LuAnn's Felted Giant Mitten

Yarn: Brown Sheep's Lambs Pride Mid-gauge tension: **7/9 or 10**

Right Mitten:

Loosely crochet cast on 80 stitches (40-40). **T 9 or 10** Knit 1 row. Repeat twice more, and knit 1 row, ending with the carriage on the right.

RC000 Knit 12 rows.

T 7. Knit 8 rows and unravel every 3rd stitch those 8 rows and latch up to form a 1 x 2 rib.

T 9 or 10 Knit 10 rows.

RC30 thumb gusset: move the left side 4 stitches over 2 needles; move the next 6 stitches over 1 needle. Pick up a loop from each side of the 6 stitches to fill the empty needles. (82 stitches total) Knit 2 rows.

Repeat again by moving 4 end stitches over 2 needles and now move 8 stitches over one needle and pick up the loops to fill the empty needles. (84 stitches) Knit 2 rows. Continue gusset increases until you have 20 stitches in the gusset section and 94 stitches total, ending at RC44. Knit 2 rows.

RC46: remove the 4 end stitches onto a holder or waste yarn. Remove the 20 gusset stitches onto a holder or waste yarn.

Mitten hand: Carriage is on the right – knit across and e-wrap 6 stitches with the yarn end and then place the 4 end stitches from the stitch holder, onto the next needles and hand knit them in (80 stitches). Carefully knit back to the right. (you may want to pull the 6 stitches out for a few rows)

COR RC000: Knit 32 rows.

Place all 40 stitches left of 0 into hold and engage hold button. Short row down to 15 stitches and back again (knit and wrap to leave no holes). Scrap off each section separately, leaving a long tail to kitchner stitch the sections together.

Thumb: Re-hang 20 thumb stitches from 15 - 5. Leave a long tail and e-wrap out from the right side of the stitches 10 new stitches (30 stitches).

COR RC000: Knit 15 rows. Put right 15 stitches into hold. Short-row the left 15 stitches down to 5 and back again (knit and wrap). Scrap off all these 15 stitches and then the other 15 stitches leaving a tail to kitchner stitch the sections together.

Finishing: Kitchner across the thumb and mitten. Join the base of the thumb across the e-wrapped stitches and sew up the seam knot to knot. Weave in all ends. Make a left mitten reversing all shaping for a pair if desired. Felt the mittens.

Decorate festively, and display with pride.

Adapted from hand knit by LuAnn Shields