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Starstruck Wristwarmers



A few years ago, I made a lot of wristwarmers with pearls. They are so fun and supereasy to make, and the result is so nice! You can easily alter the pattern of the pearls, making the wristwarmers more personal. You can use any yarn as long as you have suitable pearls, with big enough holes to pass the yarn through. I've used Scheepjes Stardust, it's delicate enough for small beads and it also glitters! I've used leftover yarn from another project, so I made the warmers rather short as I didn't know if I had enough, you can easily make them longer by casting on more stitches. Just remember that if you might use more pearls as well.

Material

Yarn: Scheepjes Stardust color nr 654 (light blue), I've used 11 grams.

Knitting needles: 3 mm. (regular straight needles)

Gauge: Not important.

Size: Fits adult woman, but you can easily adapt the size, you just measure the work around the wrist as you knit and cast off when they seem to fit. Remember that the knit is rather elastic, and the work should not be too loose on the wrist. Casting on 25 stitches makes the wristwarmer approximately 9 cm long. Cast on more stitches for a longer warmer.

Other stuff: Pearls, pearlneedle, sewing thread, yarnneedle.

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Preparations

Start by threading the pearls on to the yarn. Thread a little piece of sewing thread to the pearlneedle, tie the sewing thread to make a loop and thread the yarn to the loop, now you can thread the pearls to the needle.

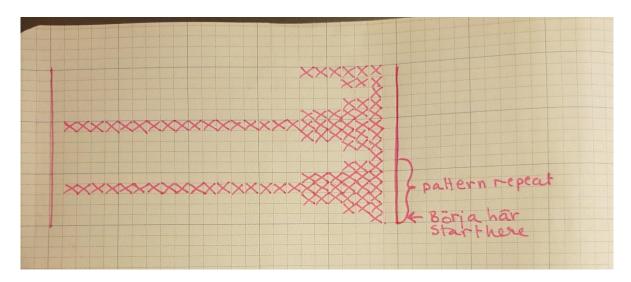


I threaded 320 pearls to the yarn for the first warmer, but . Be real careful and don't pull at to many pearls at the same time, not to risk the thread to break. Use rather good quality pearls, as they're hopefully more smooth on the inside. When you've done the first warmer, you can count the pearls you've used before threading the pearls for the second warmer. I always thread extras, to avoid having to cut yarn to thread on more!

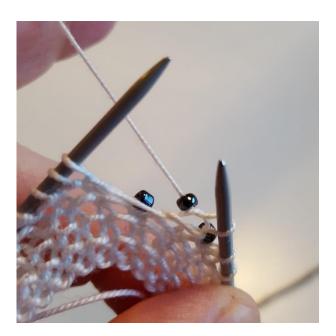
Start:

Cast on 25 stitches, (or more, if you want your warmers to be longer, just have in mind that you might use more pearls if you also extend the pattern. Knit one row (all stitiches are knit on every row, simple huh? ③) and then start following pattern on row 2. The chart only shows every other row, you should knit with pearls on the rows where the pearls are behind work.

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The first stitch is always knit without a pearl, on the second stitch, pull pearl towards work as close as possible, (look at picture) and knit the stitch, making the pearl lie between first and second stitch. Continue following the pattern.



Knit for as long necessary to fit around wrist. For me it was perfect when I've made the pattern repeat 7 times. Don't make it too big as the garterstitch is elastic and I think it looks better fitting rather tightly. End after a row with no pearls.

Finishing

I didn't cast off, and sewed the sides together using kitchener stitch. If you're unsure on how to do this I recommend you to google it as there are many nice tutorials. And if you prefer it's of course ok to cast off and sew it together any other way too. Knit one more the same way as the first.