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## Zig Zag Mittens & Hat

Techno

a FREE knitting pattern by blue sky alpacas

# Zig Zag Hat & Mittens

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## EXPERIENCE LEVEL

Advance Beginner

## MATERIALS

- Blue Sky Alpacas Techno (50g/120 yds) Hat: 1 hank MC, 1 hank CC
- Mittens: 1 hank MC, 1 hank CC
- Hat: Size 10 (6 mm) 16" circular needle or size needed to obtain gauge
- Hat: Size 10 (6 mm) double pointed needles or size needed to obtain gauge
- Mittens: Size 9 (5.5 mm) double pointed needles or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- Stitch marker
- Waste yarn

Photo shown: Posh Pink #1981 (MC) and Smoke #1974 (CC)

## SIZE

Hat fits a 19-22" head circumference  
Mittens fit older child/woman's hand

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

To fit an older child or woman

## GAUGE

Hat: In Stockinette stitch, 4 sts = 1" using larger ndl.  
Mittens: In Stockinette stitch, 4.5 sts = 1" using smaller ndl.

## SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

**BO:** Bind off  
**CO:** Cast on  
**Dpn(s):** Double pointed needle(s)  
**K:** Knit  
**K2tog:** Knit 2 together  
**PM:** Place marker  
**Rem:** Remain(ing)  
**Rep:** Repeat  
**Rnd(s):** Round(s)  
**Ssk:** Slip, slip, knit (slip 2 sts knitwise, 1 at a time, insert left needle in front of 2 slipped sts, k2tog)  
**St(s):** Stitch(es)

## HAT

With MC and larger circular ndl, CO 80 sts. Join to work in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. PM on the first st.

**Rnd 1:** \*k2, p2, rep from \* around. Rep round 1 until the hat measures 4" from the cast on edge.

Knit 4 rounds.

Join CC to begin colorwork.

**Rnds 1–5:** Work chart.  
**Rnds 6–8:** Knit in MC.  
**Rnds 9–13:** Work chart.  
**Rnds 14–16:** Knit in MC.  
**Rnds 17–21:** Work chart.

Continue to work in MC only until the hat measures 11" from the cast on edge.

## Decrease rounds:

**Note:** Change to dpns when necessary for number of sts on needle.

**Rnd 1:** \*k6, k2, rep from \* around. [70 sts]  
**Rnd 2:** \*k5, k2tog, rep from \* around. [60 sts]  
**Rnd 3:** Knit.  
**Rnd 4:** \*k4, k2tog, rep from \* around. [50 sts]  
**Rnd 5:** \*k3, k2tog, rep from \* around. [40 sts]  
**Rnd 6:** Knit.  
**Rnd 7:** \*k2, k2tog, rep from \* around. [30 sts]  
**Rnd 8:** \*k1, k2tog, rep from \* around. [20 sts]  
**Rnd 9:** \*k2tog, rep from \* around. [10 sts]

Cut yarn and draw end through rem sts. Weave in ends. Block.

## MITTENS

### Cuff

With MC, CO 32 sts placing 12 sts on needles 1 and 2, and 8 sts on needle 3. Join to work in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. PM on the first st.

**Rnd 1:** \*k2, p2 rep from \* around. Rep round 1 until the mitten measures 3" from the cast on edge. Knit every round until the cuff measures 5" from the cast on edge.

### Thumb gusset

**Rnd 1:** Knit to last st, pm, knit last st.  
**Rnd 2:** Knit to 1st marker, m1, knit to the end, m1.  
**Rnd 3:** Knit.

Repeat rounds 2 and 3 until there are 15 sts after the st marker on ndl. End with a round 2.

**Next rnd:** knit to st marker on the ndl, remove st marker, place the 15 gusset sts on a piece of scrap yarn, cast on one stitch using the backward loop method at the end of the round.

## Hand

Knit 1 rnd. Join CC to begin colorwork.  
**Rnds 1–5:** Work chart.  
**Rnds 6–8:** Knit in MC.  
**Rnds 9–13:** Work chart.  
**Rnds 14–15:** Knit in MC.

## Decrease

Decrease for the top of the mitten: Continue in MC only.

**Rnd 1:** \*k6, k2tog, rep from \* around. [28 sts]  
**Rnd 2:** \*k5, k2tog, rep from \* around. [24 sts]  
**Rnds 3 and 4:** Knit.  
**Rnd 5:** \*k4, k2tog, rep from \* around. [20 sts]  
**Rnd 6:** \*k3, k2tog, rep from \* around. [16 sts]  
**Rnd 7:** Knit.  
**Rnd 8:** \*k2, k2tog, rep from \* around. [12 sts]  
**Rnd 9:** \*k1, k2tog, rep from \* around. [8 sts]  
Cut the yarn, leaving an 8" end. Draw end through rem sts twice, pulling tightly.

## Thumb

Place the 15 held gusset sts on 3 dpns with 5 sts on each ndl. Place a st marker on the first stitch on needle 1.

With MC, knit the 15 thumb sts and pick up 1 st into the backward loop cast on st on the hand. (16 sts)

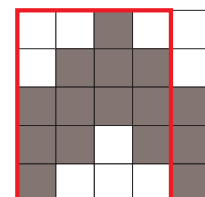
Knit 1 rnd.

**Next rnd:** Ssk, knit to the last 2 stitches, k2tog. (14 sts remain)

Knit every round until the thumb measures 2¼" 🐾

Key

☐ MC  
■ CC



Round

5  
4  
3  
2  
1