

Ten 10 yard Cuffs

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Ten cuff patterns which each use 10 yards of yarn and 2 buttons, plus instructions for all techniques used. Knit cuffs are a fun way to use up small amounts of yarn, try out a new technique, show off some vintage buttons, or feel productive with a quick project while watching a show. Wear them like jewelry to spice up your outfit and add a pop of knit!

This pattern set is meant as a learning tool for beginners, or as a fun and easy way to use up leftover yarn for seasoned knitters. Each pattern starts out by letting you know which techniques it uses; knitting a small project is a great way to try out a technique for the first time, so you don't need to be familiar with anything before starting a cuff! If you can make a garter stitch scarf, and have access to internet tutorials (if needed) to help you along visually, you'll be able to knit every cuff here and feel like an expert by the end!

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You need (per cuff)

- ▶ approx 10 yards / 9 meters worsted weight yarn
- ▶ size US 10 / 6mm needles, or size to get gauge
- ▶ 2 buttons, approx .5 inch / 1 cm across

Gauge

Approx 4.5 sts per inch / 2.5 cm in stockinette, but gauge isn't terribly important for these cuffs because they are so small, and because the patterns are written to custom fit your wrist.

Yarn

The samples are in hand-dyed yarns, as the designs are meant to make short-color-section variegation look its best. You can use any yarn you like, but many of the cuffs will look plainer in a solid color. Feel free to play around with using two or more colors - you could get some cool effects!



Sizing/fit

When pattern says "until it fits" that means until the cuff fits around your wrist with a little overlap (enough for the buttons to work comfortably). When determining where to stop, think about how you want it to fit - stretch it the amount you'll want it to stretch when wearing it.

Stretch your work a bit before measuring, so you're measuring what it will be when wearing it. A few stitch patterns get longer after pulling on them, so this will ensure a good fit.

If you are knitting for someone other than yourself, a good standard cuff size is 7-8 inches / 18-20 cm across.

Abbreviations

st(s) = stitch(es)

k = knit

p = purl

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

sl = slip (bring stitch from left needle to right needle, without knitting/purling into it) - unless otherwise noted, slip stitches purlwise, with the yarn on the side it's already on (if knitting, yarn is in back; if purling, yarn is in front)

wyif = with yarn in front (move yarn to the front, like when purling)

wyib = with yarn in back (move yarn to the back, like when knitting)

yo = yarn over (bring yarn forward and up over the needle to make an extra stitch with a hole; when purling after a yo, be sure to bring yarn all the way around the needle and back under to the front)

k2tog = knit 2 together, to decrease 1 (bring needle through next 2 stitches at the same time and knit through them together, for a right-slanting decrease)

ssk = slip, slip, knit slipped stitches together, to decrease 1 (slip next 2 stitches knitwise, one at a time, insert left needle into the fronts and knit them together, for a left-slanting decrease)