



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Heartland**  
**Cat And Mouse Mittens**  
Pattern Number: L40456



Keep fingers warm and snug with these cat and mouse mittens made with Heartland. Knit the matching scarf for a complete set. *Designed by Amy Bahrt.*

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**SKILL LEVEL:** Easy (Level 2)

**SIZE:** Child (Multiple Sizes)

Child's Small (Medium, Large)

**Finished Circumference** About 6 (6 1/2, 7) in. (15 (16.5, 18) cm)

**Finished Length** About 6 (7, 8) in. (15 (18, 20.5) cm)

**CORRECTIONS:** (applied Nov 25, 2014)

### Mouse Ears (make 2)

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Inc Row 1 (RS): ~~K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1~~ **Kfb, k1, kfb** – 5 sts at the end of this row. **Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** **Kfb, k to last st, kfb.**

~~Rep last 2 rows once more - 7 sts.~~

### Cat Ears (make 2)

**Dec Row 1 (RS):** K1, (k2tog) twice, ~~k1~~ → 3 sts.

## MATERIALS

- 136-180 Lion Brand Heartland Yarn: Kings Canyon  
1 Ball (A)
- 136-150 Lion Brand Heartland Yarn: Mount Rainier  
1 Ball (B)
- 136-098 Lion Brand Heartland Yarn: Acadia  
1 Ball (C)
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 5 [3.75 mm]
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles - Size 7 [4.5 mm]
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size G-6 (4 mm)
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Lion Brand Stitch Holders
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials  
Small amount of red yarn

*\*Heartland (Article #136). Solids: 100% Acrylic*

***Tweeds:** 94% Acrylic, 6% Rayon;  
package size: **Solids:** 5oz/142g  
(251yd/230m)*

***Tweeds:** 4oz/113g (200yd/183m)*



## GAUGE:

18 sts + 21 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) using larger needles.

When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

### Making a Gauge Swatch

## STITCH EXPLANATION:

**M1 (make 1)** An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop – 1 st increased.

**Chain Stitch** Thread needle and bring from back to front through piece. \*Hold short length of yarn on front forming a small loop. Insert needle back into where it last came out, do not pull tight. Bring needle back through work and through small loop; repeat from \* until chain is desired length.

### PATTERN STITCH

**K1, p1 Rib (worked over an even number of sts)**

**Row 1:** \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end of row.

**Row 2:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib.

## NOTES:

1. Mittens are worked in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with ribbed cuffs.
2. Ears, eyes and noses are worked separately and sewn to finished Mittens.
3. End with a WS row means that the last row you work should be a WS row, and the next row that you are ready to work will be a RS row.
4. Smaller sized needles are used to create a more dense fabric for warm Mittens.
5. When you see "– 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.

## RIGHT MITTEN (Mouse)

With smaller needles and A, cast on 28 (30, 32) sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 8 rows.

Change to larger needles and B.

Beg with a RS (knit) row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 4 (8, 10) rows.

### Thumb Gusset

**Row 1:** K16 (17, 18), place marker (pm), M1, k1, M1, pm, k11 (12, 13) – 30 (32, 34) sts.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** Knit to marker, slip marker (sm), M1, knit to next marker, M1, sm, knit to end of row – 32 (34, 36) sts.

**Row 4:** Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 2 (2, 3) more times – 36 (38, 42) sts.

Cut yarn.

### Shape Thumb

**Next Row:** Slip first 16 (17, 18) sts to a holder, remove marker, join yarn and next k9 (9, 11) sts, M1, slip rem 11 (12, 13) sts to a 2nd holder – 10 (10, 12) sts for thumb.

Work even on these 10 (10, 12) sts until thumb measures about 1 (1 1/2, 1 1/2) in. (2.5 (4, 4) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Next Row:** (K2tog) 5 (5, 6) times – 5 (5, 6) sts rem.

Cut yarn, leaving a 20 in. (51 cm) long yarn tail.

Thread tail through rem sts, pull tightly to gather and knot.

With rem yarn tail, sew sides of thumb tog.

### **Shape Hand**

From RS, k16 (17, 18) sts from first holder, M1, k11 (12, 13) from 2nd holder – 28 (30, 32) sts.

Purl 1 row.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 5 (6, 7) in. (12.5 (15, 18) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### **Shape Top**

**Row 1:** \*K2, k2tog; rep from \* to last 0 (2, 0) sts, k0 (2, 0) – 21 (23, 24) sts.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** \*K1, k2tog; rep from \* to last 0 (2, 0) sts, k0 (2, 0) – 14 (16, 16) sts.

**Row 4:** Purl.

**Row 5:** (K2tog) across – 7 (8, 8) sts rem.

Cut yarn, leaving a 30 in. (76 cm) long yarn tail. Thread tail through rem sts, pull tightly to gather and knot. With rem yarn tail, sew sides of Mitten tog.

## **LEFT MITTEN (Cat)**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 28 (30, 32) sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 8 rows.

Change to larger needles and C.

Beg with a RS (knit) row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 4 (8, 10) rows.

### **Thumb Gusset**

**Row 1:** K11 (12, 13), pm, M1, k1, M1, pm, k16 (17, 18) – 30 (32, 34) sts.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** Knit to marker, slip marker (sm), M1, knit to next marker, M1, sm, knit to end of row – 32 (34, 36) sts.

**Row 4:** Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 2 (2, 3) more times – 36 (38, 42) sts on last row worked.

Cut yarn.

### **Shape Thumb**

**Next Row:** Slip 11 (12, 13) sts to holder, remove marker, join yarn and k9 (9, 11), M1, slip rem 16 (17, 18) sts to a 2nd holder – 10 (10, 12) sts rem.

Work even in St st until Thumb measures about 1 (1 1/2, 1 1/2) in. (2.5 (4, 4) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Next Row:** (K2tog) 5 (5, 6) times – 5 (5, 6) sts rem.

Cut yarn, leaving a 20 in. (51 cm) long yarn tail.

Thread tail through rem sts, pull tightly to gather and knot.

With rem yarn tail, sew sides of thumb tog.

### **Shape Hand**

From RS, k11 (12, 13) sts from first holder, M1, k16 (17, 18) from second holder – 28 (30, 32) sts.

Purl 1 row.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 5 (6, 7) in. (12.5 (15, 18) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### **Shape Top**

Rep Rows 1-5 of Shape Top for Right Mitten.

Cut yarn, leaving a 30 in. (76 cm) long yarn tail.

Thread tail through rem sts, pull tightly to gather and knot.

With rem yarn tail, sew sides of Mitten tog.

## **FINISHING**

### **Mouse Ears (make 2)**

With larger needles and B, cast on 3 sts.

Knit one row, purl one row.

**Inc Row 1 (RS):** Kfb, k1, kfb – 5 sts at the end of this row.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** Kfb, k to last st, kfb – 7 sts.

Continue in St st for 4 rows.

**Dec Row (RS):** K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 5 sts rem.

Bind off as follows: K1, k2tog, bind off first st; bind off each st to last 3 sts, k2tog and bind off previous st, bind off next st – one st rem on needle.

Beg with rem st on needle, work Chain st evenly spaced around cast on and side edges only as follows: insert crochet hook through rem st then \*insert hook through piece, yarn over hook and draw loop through piece and through loop on hook, 1 loop rem on hook; rep from \* to end of piece; cut yarn and pull end through loop to fasten off.

Sew Ears, evenly spaced, to Right Mitten.

### **Cat Ears (make 2)**

With larger needles and C, cast on 5 sts.

Work in St st for 4 rows, starting with a RS (knit) row.

**Dec Row 1 (RS):** K1, (k2tog) twice.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Dec Row 2:** K3tog – 1 st rem.

Fasten off.

Sew ears to Left Mitten.

### **Eyes (make 4)**

With crochet hook and B, chain 8.

Fasten off.

Coil chain into a tight spiral for eyes.

Sew 2 eyes to each Mitten.

### **Noses (make 2)**

With crochet hook and red yarn, chain 10.

Fasten off.

Coil chain into a tight spiral for nose.

Sew one nose to each Mitten.

### **Cat Whiskers**

Cut a 24 in. (61 cm) length of A. Split length of yarn into 2 strands. With one strand of A threaded into blunt needle, embroider 2 lines of Chain sts on each side of cat nose for whiskers.

Weave in ends.

<b>ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES</b>	
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<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</u>
<u>inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>	<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>tog = together</u>	

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