



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Homespun®**  
**'Hearts on a String' Mittens**  
**Pattern Number: 40523-1, 40523-2**



You won't lose your heart on Valentine's Day with his-and-hers Homespun "Hearts on a String" Mittens. This pattern is also available in a crochet version.

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

**SIZE:** Adult Medium, Large

Woman (Man)

**Finished Width** 3½ (4½) inches [9 (11.5) cm]

**Length** 10½ (11¾) inches [26.5 (30) cm]

**Note:** Pattern is written for smallest size with changes for larger sizes in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

**CORRECTIONS:** None as of Oct 2, 2016. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

#### MATERIALS

- 790-367 Lion Brand Homespun Yarn:  
Covered Bridge Red

1 Ball (A - woman's version)

- 790-343 Lion Brand Homespun Yarn:  
Romanesque DISCONTINUED

1 Ball (B - woman's version)

- 790-312 Lion Brand Homespun Yarn:  
Edwardian

1 Ball (A - man's version)

- 790-367 Lion Brand Homespun Yarn:  
Covered Bridge Red

1 Ball (B - man's version)

- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 8  
[5 mm]

- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 6  
[4.00 mm]

- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers

- Lion Brand Stitch Holders

- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles  
(Set of 6)

*\*Homespun® (Article #790). 98% Acrylic, 2% Polyester; package size: 6.00oz/170.00 gr. (185yds/169m) pull skeins*



#### GAUGE:

16 sts + 24 rows = 4 inches [10 cm] in St st (k on RS, p on WS) on 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 st)** An increase worked by lifting the horizontal thread lying between the needles and placing it onto the left needle. Work this new stitch through the back loop.

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and k them tog.

#### MITTENS

## Cuff

With smaller needles and A, cast on 29 (37) sts.

**Row 1 (WS)** P 1, (k 1, p 1) across.

**Row 2** K 1, (p 1, k 1) across.

Repeat these 2 rows for 3 (3½)" [7.5 (9) cm], ending with a WS row. Change to larger needles and work 8 (10) rows in St st.

## Thumb Gusset

**Row 1 (RS)** K 14 (18), place marker, M1, k 1, M1, place marker, k 14 (18).

**Row 2 and All WS Rows** Purl.

**Row 3** K to marker, slip marker, M1, k to next marker, M1, slip marker, k to end.

Repeat Rows 2-3 until there are 11 (15) sts between markers, ending with a WS row. K 14 (18), remove marker, place next 11 (15) sts on holder, cast on 1 st, k 14 (18) sts – 29 (37) sts.

## Hand

Work even in St st until piece measures 9 (10)" [23 (25.5) cm] from beginning, ending with a RS row. P 14 (18), place marker, p 1, place marker, p 14 (18).

## Shape Tip

**Row 1 (RS)** K 1, ssk, k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, slip marker, k 1, slip marker, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k 1.

**Row 2** Purl.

Repeat these 2 rows 2 (3) more times, then repeat Row 1 once more – 13 (17) sts.

**Next Row** P 6 (8), p2tog, p to end of row – 12 (16) sts.

**Last Row** K2tog across – 6 (8) sts.

Break yarn, leaving a 24 inches [61 cm] tail. Using large-eyed, blunt needle, thread tail through remaining sts; pull tightly and secure. Do not trim tail.

## Thumb

Slip 11 (15) sts from holder onto larger needles. Join A and work 7 (9) rows in St st, ending with a RS row.

**Last Row** P2tog across, ending p 1 – 6 (8) sts.

Break yarn, leaving an 8 inches [20.5 cm] tail. Using large-eyed, blunt needle, thread tail through remaining sts; pull tightly and secure. Do not trim tail.

**Heart Trim** With larger needles and B, cast on 30 (32) sts. Bind off all sts. Position trim in the shape of a heart on back of Mitten and sew in place.

## FINISHING

Using tails, sew cuff, palm and thumb seams, taking care to close opening at base of thumb. Weave in ends.

**Twisted Cord** Cut 2 strands of A, each 8 (9) yards [7.5 (8.5) meters] long; fold in half. Secure folded ends around door knob. Twist other end until taught and yarn begins to kink. Release end from door knob. Bring ends together and let cord twist on itself, smoothing to even the twist. Knot ends. Attach ends to inside cuff seam of each Mitten.

### ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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<u>k = knit</u>	<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>
<u>p = purl</u>	<u>p2tog = purl 2 together</u>
<u>RS = right side</u>	<u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u>

<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>	<u>tog = together</u>
<u>WS = wrong side</u>	

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