



Warm Braid Cable Wristwarmers

Wristwarmers such as these are really useful in the winter, especially now that heating oil

has become so expensive! These are designed to allow your fingers and thumbs room to move, so you can knit and type without having the wristwarmers get in the way.

These are an excellent first cabling pattern; if you've never tried to cable, try this! It's easier than it looks and the results are gratifying.

Materials

- 1 skein Cascade Pastaza, (bulky, 50% Llama/50% Peruvian Highland Wool, 100g/132 yds, color 065) (this may be enough to do two pairs!)
- 4 double-pointed or circular needles, US #9
- A cable needle

Gauge

4 sts per inch in K2P2 rib pattern, lightly stretched.

Pattern Notes

You can knit the cable panel with either the chart or the written out instructions. Both are included on the last pages of this pattern.

Directions

Section 1: RIBBED CUFF (BOTTOM)

Cast on 32 sts and distribute over three needles as follows:

- 12sts on first needle
- 12 sts on second needle (this will be the cable panel needle)
- 8sts on last needle

Join and place marker.

Knit K2P2 rib (*K2, P2 and repeat from *) on each round until you have a 1 inch length cuff. Go to section 2: Cable.

Section 2: CABLE

On the next round, knit as follows:

1st needle: K2P2 rib, ending with P2

2nd needle: Cable pattern as in chart

3rd needle: K2P2 rib, ending with P2.

Repeat this until you have completed the last round (round 8) of the **third** cable pattern repeat (a total of 24 cable rounds). Go to section 3: Buttonhole.

Section 3: BUTTONHOLE

On the first round of the fourth cable pattern repeat:

If this is the right wristwarmer:

Round 1: *1st needle:* K2P2 rib, ending with p2

2nd needle: Cable pattern as in chart (Round 1)

3rd needle: k2, bind off 6 stitches.

Round 2: *1st needle:* K2P2 rib, ending with p2

2nd needle: Cable pattern as in chart (Round 2)

3rd needle: k2, cast on 6 stitches (cable cast-on, or whatever works for you)

Round 3: Continue in pattern as in section 2.

Continue knitting in pattern 6 more rounds until you have completed the **fourth** cable pattern repeat (a total of 32 cable rounds). Go to section 4: Ribbed Cuff (Top).

If this is the left wristwarmer:

Round 1: *1st needle:* k2, bind off 6, k2, p2.

2nd needle: Cable pattern as in chart (Round 1)

3rd needle: K2P2 rib, ending with p2

Round 2: *1st needle:* k2, cast on 6 stitches (cable cast-on, or whatever works for you), k2, p2

2nd needle: Cable pattern as in chart (Round 2)

3rd needle: K2P2 rib, ending with p2

Round 3: Continue in pattern as in section 2.

Continue knitting in pattern 6 more rounds until you have completed the fourth cable pattern repeat. Go to section 4: Ribbed Cuff (Top).

Section 4: RIBBED CUFF (TOP)

At this point, change to K2P2 ribbing all the way around. Knit ribbing until you have a 1 inch cuff. Go to section 5, Finishing.

Section 5: FINISHING

Bind off loosely in ribbing pattern and weave in ends. Voila!



Cable Instructions

Abbreviations:

cn: cable needle

Cr3L: sl 2 sts onto cn and hold to front, p1 from left needle, k2 from cn

Cr3R: sl 1 st onto cn and hold to back, k2 from left needle, p1 from cn

C4B: sl 2 sts onto cn and hold to back, k2 from left needle, k2 from cn

C4F: sl 2 sts onto cn and hold to front, k2 from left needle, k2 from cn

Cable chart (read from right to left):

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—	—	—	—	X				—	—			7
—	—	—	—					—	—			6
—	—	—	X		X		X		X		—	5
—	—	—			—	—					—	4
—	—	—			—	—	X				—	3
—	—	—			—	—					—	2
—	—	—	X		X		X		X		—	1

Key:

knit



purl



Cr3L



Cr3R



C4B



C4F

Cable (alternate) instructions:

Round 1: Cr3L, Cr3R, Cr3L, P3

Round 2: P1, K4, P2, K2, P3 (*On these even rounds, you are just knitting the knit stitches and purling the purls*)

Round 3: P1, C4B, P2, K2, P3

Round 4: P1, K4, P2, K2, P3

Round 5: Cr3R, Cr3L, Cr3R, P3

Round 6: K2, P2, K4, P4

Round 7: K2, P2, C4F, P4

Round 8: K2, P2, K4, P4

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