

Seashell Sheaths



When I was creating the Clamshell Cuffs, I realized that it would be easy to extend the design to make fingerless mitts. These mitts feature the same ribbed border and pleasing shell pattern as the Clamshell Cuffs. They are long enough to keep your hands warm and short enough to keep your fingers free - even your thumb is liberated!

Sizes and Materials List ...

Size:	One size fits most
Hook(s):	US J/10 (6 mm) (or size needed to obtain gauge)
Yarn:	Any Worsted weight yarn
Color & Approx. Yardage:	Any color, 175 yds
Notions:	Yarn Needle
Gauge:	3 shells and 3 sc = 3.5 inches <i>Always take time to check your gauge</i>



Seashell Sheaths

Notes ...

Stitches Used	Chain (ch) Slip Stitch (sl st) Half Double Crochet (hdc) Double Crochet (dc) Front Post Half Double Crochet (fphdc) Back Post Half Double Crochet (bphdc)
----------------------	--

Abbreviations

Repeat (rep)
Skip (sk)
Stitch(es) (st / sts)

Special Stitches	Back Post Half Double Crochet (bphdc) Yarn over, insert hook from back to front around post of indicated st on previous row, continue with hdc. Front Post Half-Double Crochet (fphdc) Yarn over, insert hook from front to back around post of indicated st on previous row, continue with hdc.
-------------------------	---

Instructions ...

Seashell Sheaths (make 2)

Base Chain	Loosely ch 28, join with sl st to first ch. (Be careful not to twist the chain when joining.)
Round 1	Ch 2 (beg hdc here and throughout), hdc in next ch and in each ch around, join with sl st to second ch of beg hdc. (28 sts)
Rounds 2-3	Ch 2, fphdc in next st, *bphdc in next 2 sts, fphdc in next 2 sts,* rep from * to * 5 times, bphdc in next 2 sts, join with sl st to second ch of beg hdc. (28 sts)
Round 4	Ch 1, sc between first and second hdc (between the raised ribs), sk next st, 5 dc in next st (shell created), sk next st, *sc between next 2 hdc ribs, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st* rep from * to * around, join with sl st to first sc. (42 sts)
Round 5	Ch 3 (beg dc), 4 dc in same sc as joining, sk 2 dc, *sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc,* rep from * to * 6 times, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, join with sl st in 3 ch of beg dc. (42 sts)

Seashell Sheaths

Round 6	Sl st in next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in same dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, *sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc,* rep from * to * 5 times, join with sl st to first sc. (42 sts)
Round 7	Rep round 5.
Round 8	Rep round 6.
Round 9	Rep round 5.
Round 10	Rep round 6.
Round 11	Rep round 5.
Round 12	Sl st in next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in same dc, *sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in the next dc,* rep from * to * 4 times, ch 12, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, join with sl st to first sc. (54 sts)
Round 13	Ch 3, 4 dc in same sc as joining, *sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc,* rep from * to * 3 times, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, sc in next 12 ch, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, join with sl st in 3 ch of beg ch 3. (59 sts)
Round 14	Sl st in next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in same dc, *sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in the next dc,* rep from * to * 3 times, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 3 sc, sc in next sc, sl st in next 3 sc, sc in next sc, sk 3 sc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, join with sl st to first sc. (43 sts)
Round 15	Ch 3, 4 dc in same sc as joining, sk 2 dc, *sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc,* rep from * to * 3 times, sc in next dc, ch 1, skip next 4 st, sc in next st, ch 1, skip next 4 st, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, join with sl st in 3 ch of beg dc. (48 sc)
Round 16	Sl st in next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in same dc, *sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in the next dc,* rep from * to * 3 times, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, sc in next sc, 5 dc in next sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next sc, join with sl st to first sc. (48 sts)
Round 17	Ch 2, hdc in same sc as joining, sk 2 dc, 2 sc in next dc, *sk 2 dc, 2 hdc in next sc, sk 2 dc, 2 sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 5 times, join with sl st to second ch of beg hdc. (28 sts)
Rounds 18-19	Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), fphdc in next hdc, *bphdc in next 2 sts, fphdc in next 2 sts,* rep from * to * 5 times, bphdc in next 2 sts, join with sl st to second ch of beg hdc. (28 sts)

Seashell Sheaths

Round 20

Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), hdc in each st around, join with sl st in second ch of beg hdc. (28 sts)

Finishing ...

For a finished look, sc in each st around. Fasten off. Sc in each chain at the base of the cuff. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

Pattern and images © Jennifer Stark

Photos by: Jennifer Stark