



#177 Smithie Leg Warmers

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Finished Sizes:
To fit calf with
circumference 12"
(13", 14", 15",
16")

Notes on sizing: Measure your calf at its widest point. These legwarmers are designed to fit snugly, with a fair bit of negative ease. For a more relaxed fit, knit a size or two larger than your measurements.

Materials:

Basic Legwarmers: 1 (2, 2, 2, 2) skeins Valley Yarns Northampton color 27 merlot heather, 100% wool, 247 yds per ball;

Cabled Legwarmers: 2 (2, 2, 2, 2) skeins Valley Yarns Northampton color 02 natural, 100% wool, 247 yds per ball;

Size US 7 double pointed needles or size needed to obtain gauge

Gauge: 5 sts and 7 rows = 1" in St st

Abbreviations:

C3b = cable 3 back: slip 3 stitches to cable needle and hold in back of work, knit the next 3 stitches, then knit 3 stitches from the cable needle.

P2tog = purl 2 together

P1tbl = purl 1 through the back loop

Kfb = knit front and back: knit one stitch, leaving the stitch on the left needle, then knit into the back of the stitch.

Basic Legwarmers (make 2):

Cast on 44 (48, 52, 60, 64) stitches.

Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Work in k2, p2 rib for 2 inches (about 14 rounds).

Begin working in stockinette stitch until desired length.

For a loose fit at the bottom, work 3 rounds in garter stitch (p 1 round, k 1 round, p 1 round), then bind off loosely. Otherwise, work in k2, p2 rib for 2 inches. Bind off.

Cabled Leg Warmers (make 2):

Cast on 52 (56, 64, 68, 76) stitches.

Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Place marker to indicate beginning of the round.

Work in k2, p2 rib for 2 inches (about 14 rounds).

You will now begin working cabled rounds. The cable is worked over 26 stitches and is a 36 round repeat.

For each round, you will knit the first 26 (30, 38, 42, 50) stitches and work the cable over the final 26 stitches. Increases are made with yarn-overs; on the following round, purl the yarn-overs through the back loop to close the hole. Work cable as follows:

1. P5, k6, p4, k6, p5.
2. P5, c3b, p4, c3b, p5.
3. P5, k6, p4, k6, p5.
4. P3, p2tog, k6, yo, p4, yo, k6, p2tog, p3.
5. P4, k6, p1tbl, p4, p1tbl, k6, p4.
6. P2, p2tog, k6, yo, p6, yo, k6, p2tog, p2.
7. P3, k6, p1tbl, p6, p1tbl, k6, p3.
8. P3, c3b, p8, c3b, p3.
9. P3, k6, p8, k6, p3.
10. P1, p2tog, k6, yo, p8, yo, k6, p2tog, p1.
11. P2, k6, p1tbl, p8, p1tbl, k6, p2.
12. P2tog, k6, yo, p10, yo, k6, p2tog.
13. P1, k6, p1tbl, p10, p1tbl, k6, p1.
14. P1, c3b, p12, c3b, p1.
15. P1, k6, p12, k6, p1.
16. P1, yo, k6, p2tog, p8, p2tog, k6, yo, p1.
17. P1, p1tbl, k6, p10, k6, p1tbl, p1.
18. P2, yo, k6, p2tog, p6, p2tog, k6, yo, p2.
19. P2, p1tbl, k6, p8, k6, p1tbl, p2.
20. P3, c3b, p8, c3b, p3.
21. P3, k6, p8, k6, p3.
22. P3, yo, k6, p2tog, p4, p2tog, k6, yo, p3.
23. P3, p1tbl, k6, p6, k6, p1tbl, p3.
24. P4, yo, k6, p2tog, p2, p2tog, k6, yo, p4.
25. P4, p1tbl, k6, p4, k6, p1tbl, p4.
26. P5, c3b, p4, c3b, p5.
27. P5, k6, p4, k6, p5.
28. P5, yo, k6, p2tog twice, k6, yo, p5.
29. P5, p1tbl, k6, p2, k6, p1tbl, p5.
30. P6, yo, k5, ssk, k2tog, k5, yo, p6.
31. P6, p1tbl, k12, p1tbl, p6.
32. Cable crossing round: P7, sl 6 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k next 6 sts. Sl 3 sts from cable needle to left needle, hold cable needle in back. K 3 sts from left needle, then k 3 sts from cable needle. P7.
33. P7, k12, p7.
34. P5, p2tog, k5, kfb twice, k5, p2tog, p5.
35. P6, k6, p2, k6, p6.
36. P4, p2tog, k6, yo, p2, yo, k6, p2tog, p4.

Knit rounds 1-36 twice, then rounds 1-5 once more.

Work in k2, p2 rib for 2 inches. Bind off.