Crochet Mittens

Chunky Burgundy Mittens with Cream Ribbed Cuffs



The finished pair — deep burgundy hands, cream ribbed cuffs, cosy chunky stitches.

Size	Adult, one size — fits hands approx. 19–21.5 cm / 7.5–8.5 in around the palm (easy length adjustments in the notes)
Finished size	Hand circumference approx. 20 cm / 8 in; length cuff to top approx. 24–25 cm / 9.5–10 in
Skill level	Confident beginner — chain, single crochet, half double crochet, simple decreases
Gauge	12 hdc × 9 rows = 10 cm / 4 in in half double crochet with bulky yarn and a 6.0 mm hook

Materials

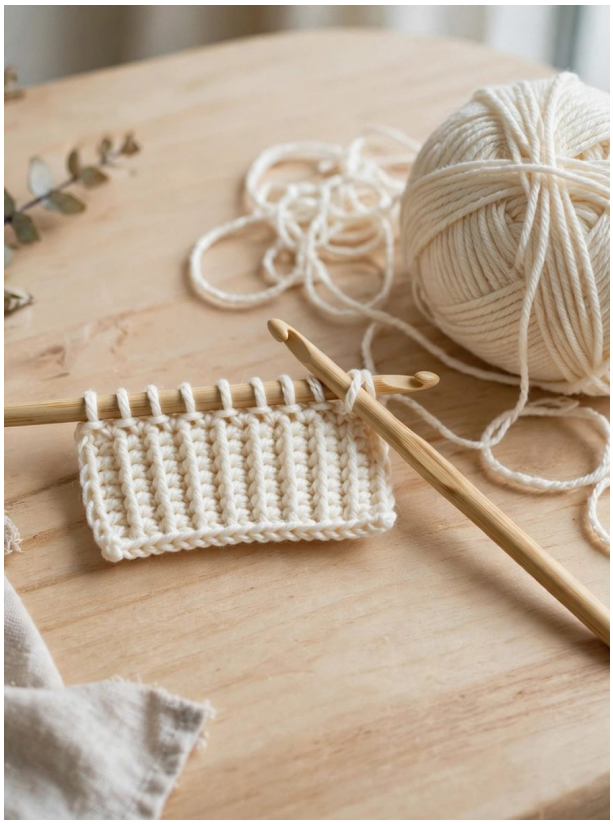
- Bulky (#5) yarn: deep burgundy approx. 165 m / 180 yds, cream approx. 37 m / 40 yds
- 6.0 mm (J) crochet hook
- Yarn needle with a large eye, scissors
- Stitch marker

Abbreviations (US terms)

- **ch** chain · **sc** single crochet · **hdc** half double crochet · **sl st** slip stitch
- **BLO** back loop only · **sk** skip · **st(s)** stitch(es) · **hdc2tog** half double crochet two together · **sc2tog** single crochet two together

Construction notes

Each mitten starts with a cream cuff worked flat in back-loop single crochet, which makes a stretchy ribbed band. The short ends are joined into a ring and the burgundy hand is worked in joined rounds straight onto the cuff — no separate seaming. The thumb opening is a simple chain gap, the top is shaped with three decrease rounds and sewn flat, and the little thumb is crocheted into the opening last.



Step 1 in progress: the cream ribbed cuff strip on the hook.

Part 1 — The Cream Cuff



The cuff ring joined, with the first burgundy round started around its edge.

Foundation: With cream, ch 9.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. [8 sc]

Rows 2–24: Ch 1, turn, sc BLO in each st across. [8 sc] The strip measures approx. 20 cm / 8 in long and stretches to fit the wrist.

Join: Bring the two short ends together and join with sl sts (or whipstitch) to form a ring. Do not fasten off the shape — the hand is worked onto this ring.

Make both cuffs now, before starting either hand, so the pair matches exactly.

Part 2 — The Hand Rounds



The burgundy hand tube growing straight up from the cream cuff.

Round 1: Join burgundy at the cuff seam. Work 24 hdc evenly around one long edge of the cuff ring — exactly 1 hdc into the end of each of the 24 rows. Sl st to first hdc. [24 hdc] Place a marker in the first stitch.

Rounds 2–8: Hdc in each st around, sl st to first hdc. [24 hdc]

Try the mitten on after Round 8: the tube should reach the base of your thumb joint. For a longer hand, add one extra plain round here; for a shorter hand, work one round less — just note the change and repeat it on the second mitten.

Part 3 — Thumb Opening & Rounded Top



Close-up: the chain-3 thumb opening in the burgundy hand.

Round 9 — right mitten: Hdc in first 9 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, hdc in last 12 sts. [24 sts, counting the chain]

Round 9 — left mitten: Hdc in first 12 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, hdc in last 9 sts. [24 sts, counting the chain] This is the only difference between the two mittens.

Rounds 10–13: Hdc in each st and in each ch around, sl st to first hdc. [24 hdc] Work into the chain stitches just like regular stitches.

Round 14: (Hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog) 4 times. [20 sts]

Round 15: (Hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog) 4 times. [16 sts]

Round 16: (Hdc in next 2 sts, hdc2tog) 4 times. [12 sts]

Fasten off, leaving a 20 cm / 8 in tail. Turn the mitten so the thumb opening sits at the side, flatten the top and sew it closed with a flat seam.

Part 4 — The Thumb & Finishing



One mitten finished and closed; the second still open at the top.

Set-up: Join burgundy at one corner of the thumb opening. Work 8 sc evenly around the opening: 3 sc into the skipped stitches along the bottom, 3 sc into the chain along the top, and 1 sc into each corner where they meet. [8 sc]

Rounds 1–4: Sc in each st around. [8 sc]

Round 5: Sc2tog 4 times. [4 sts] Fasten off, thread the tail through the last 4 sts and pull gently to close the tip.

Weave in all ends and turn the mitten right side out. Repeat Parts 1–4 for the second mitten, remembering the mirrored Round 9.



The finished pair, side by side — thumbs in place, cuffs neat.

Before You Go

Tips

• **Count to 24, every round.** Count your 24 stitches each round so the mittens stay twins — bulky yarn hides a dropped stitch until the very end.

• **Cuffs first, hands second.** Work both cuffs before starting the hands; the pair matches perfectly and the second mitten flies by.

• **Fit at Round 8.** Try the mitten on after Round 8 and add or skip a plain round for length — one fitting check makes them feel made-to-measure.

Care: machine wash gentle and cold, or hand wash; reshape and dry flat. We hope your mittens keep your hands warm all winter long.