Cat paw fingerless gloves

Women's medium, palm 7½ in (19 cm) round · US terms



Finished size
About 7½ in (19 cm) round (30 stitches); the hand is 4 in (10 cm) long (rounds 7 to 24 of the hand) and the cuff 2¼ in (5.5 cm) deep (rounds 1 to 6 of the hand)
To fit a palm of 7½ in (19 cm)

Skill
Easy

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: charcoal, the gloves	**about 110 yd (101 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rose, the pads and the toes	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, the stripes at the wrists and the edges	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, pins, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Palm	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child	6 in (15 cm)	6 in (15 cm) round, 3 in (7.5 cm) long	about 110 yd (101 m)
Women's small	7 in (18 cm)	7 in (18 cm) round, 4 in (10 cm) long	about 145 yd (133 m)
Women's medium (this file)	**7½ in (19 cm)**	**7½ in (19 cm) round, 4 in (10 cm) long**	**about 150 yd (137 m)**
Women's large	8 in (20.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm) round, 4¼ in (11 cm) long	about 160 yd (146 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
ch	chain stitch
MR	magic ring
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip

Special stitches

FPdc (Front post double crochet (UK raised treble at the front)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again round the post (the upright part) of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked. It leaves 1 FPdc for the next round.

BPdc (Back post double crochet (UK raised treble at the back)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again round the post of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked. It leaves 1 BPdc for the next round.

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

When Rnd 10 is done, lay the piece flat and measure across it: about 3¾ in (9.5 cm).

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Measure round the palm just above the thumb, without the thumb, and choose the size nearest to it.
- The pattern makes a pair. It is worked from the cuff to the fingers.
- In a joined round that is not turned, the ch 1 or ch 2 at its start is not a stitch: the first stitch goes into the chain or the stitch that ch stands on (a post stitch goes round its post), and the sl st that closes the round goes into the top of that first stitch.
- In a spiral the rounds are not joined: put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- The right side faces you in every round.
- To change color, work the last stitch before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. A color that rests for 4 rounds or fewer can wait on the inside and be drawn up again; cut one that rests longer, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). After a joined round, draw the new color through with the sl st that closes it.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers to make a loop, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed.

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Instructions

Chosen: Women's medium, palm 7½ in (19 cm) round. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, dc is treble and hdc is half treble.

Hand: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, charcoal; C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 30, taking care not to twist it, and sl st in the first ch to make a ring.	

Cuff

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, dc in each ch around, sl st in first dc to join	**(30 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 15 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	**(15 FPdc, 15 BPdc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 6**	Repeat rnd 2. (15 FPdc, 15 BPdc)	

A box for each round, 3 to 6: tick them off as you go.

3 4 5 6

Wrist and hand

From here the piece is worked in a spiral: the rounds are not joined. The first sc goes into the stitch that holds the sl st, and each later round begins in the first stitch of the round before. The first 15 stitches of a round are one layer of the glove and the other 15 the other layer.

☐ **Rnd 7**	With C, sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	With A, sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

The next round leaves the opening for the thumb, at the side between the two layers.

☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 12 sts, ch 6, sk next 6 sts, sc in next 12 sts	**(24 sc, 1 ch-6 sp)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in next 12 sts, sc in next 6 chs, sc in next 12 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 16 to 23**	Repeat rnd 15. (30 sc)	

A box for each round, 16 to 23: tick them off as you go.

16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

Upper edge

☐ **Rnd 24**	With C, sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge; it does not count as a stitch. Fasten off.	

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Thumb: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, charcoal; C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the piece with the fingers up and the right side facing: join A with a sl st in the first of 12 places, which lie round the opening, beginning at the right end of its lower edge: 6 stitches of the hand, then 6 chains of the hand. Leave a tail of 8 in (20.5 cm).	

The 6 stitches are those that were skipped; the 6 chains are worked into along their free edge. The thumb is worked in a spiral: the rounds are not joined, and each begins in the first stitch of the round before; put a marker in the first stitch of each.

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 5 sts, sc in next 6 chs	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	With C, sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge; it does not count as a stitch. Fasten off.	

Pad: make 2

Yarn B, rose.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	

The pad is worked in a spiral, with the right side facing.

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each of next 6 sts	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, (hdc, dc) in next st, (dc, hdc) in next st**] 3 times**	**(12 sc, 6 hdc, 6 dc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 18 in (45.5 cm) to sew with. The pad is a triangle with three rounded corners, each of them between two neighboring dc.	

Toe: make 8

Yarn B, rose.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	

The toe is worked in a spiral, with the right side facing. Pull the ring tight.

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	9 sc in MR	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(9 sc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25.5 cm) to sew with. The toe is a little cup; its outside is the right side.	

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Finishing

- The two gloves are alike until now; the paws make one of them the right glove and the other the left. Lay one flat with the cuff toward you and the thumb at the right, and the other with the thumb at the left: the layer that faces you is the palm of the right and of the left glove. The fold lines at its two sides run through the middle of the thumb opening and opposite it. Each round of the layer has 15 stitches; count them from right to left, and sew through this layer only.
- Pad: lay it on the palm, right side up, with one of its three straight sides toward the cuff and the opposite corner pointing to the fingers. The middle of the straight side lies on Rnd 10, the ring in the middle of the pad on Rnd 14, on stitch 8. Pin it, and sew it down with its tail, one stitch through both loops of each of its 24 stitches. Before it is closed, push cut ends of B under it, so that it is a little raised.
- Toes: four go round the upper part of the pad on each palm, open side down. The rings in the middle of the two outer toes lie on Rnd 18, on stitch 13 and on stitch 3; those of the two inner toes on Rnd 21, on stitch 10 and on stitch 6. Sew each down with its tail, through both loops of each of its 9 stitches, after pushing a few cut ends of B into it.
- If there is a small gap where the thumb joins the hand, close it with the tail left there.
- Weave in every tail on the inside.

In all: 12 pieces.

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