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SILK
BLEND



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Legwarmers (Make 2: Both alike)

Cast on 54(58:68) sts using 44 mm needles and the rib method (see notes). Work 28 (34:36) rows in k1, p1 rib.

Change to 5mm needles and work in stocking stitch until work measures 26 (34:46) cm from cast on edge (or desired length).

Change to 4mm needles and work in k1, p1 rib for 30 (34) rows. Cast off loosely, preferably using a rib cast off method (see notes). If you don't use the rib method, it is even more important to cast off as loosely as possible, as standard casting off is not elastic.

Making up

Sew the sides of each piece up with right sides facing, using mattress stitch.



Notes:

Rib cast on:

Make a slip knot.

B: take needle with slip knot in left hand, and free needle in right hand.

C: knit into slip knot and place new st onto left needle

D: purl into stitch just made, and place new stitch on left hand needle.

Repeat C and D until you have required number of stitches.

If last cast-on st was purl, start 1st row of ribbing with p. If it was knit, start with k.

Materials

1 (1:2) balls of Manos silk;
Pair 4mm needles and pair
5mm needles

To fit: age 6 – 8; 9 to 11;
adult

2.5mm Crotchet hook

Rib cast off:

Slip every other stitch onto another needle, so that you have the purl stitches on one needle and the knit stitches on another. Graft together as follows:

A: insert sewing needle kwise into 1st st. Drop st

B: insert sewing needle pwise into 3rd (k) st. Do not drop st. Pull yarn through, not too tight. Cont.....

C: insert sewing needle pwise into 2nd (p) st. Drop st.

D: working round the back of the stitch, insert sewing needle kwise into 4th (p) st. Do not drop st. Pull yarn through.

Repeat A to D.