

# Tini's Zig Zag hand warmers and matching collar

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## Yarn:

Austermann Merino 125

color 21.7817-103 (creamy white), 50 g = 125 m

## Needles:

Knitting needle 4 mm (US size 6, UK/Canadian size 8)

Small crochet hook *for inserting beads*

## How much:

*For hand warmers:*

50 g (= 2 oz) yarn + (60) 4 mm beads (for 6-pointed hand warmers; for different peak numbers = 10 beads more per peak for 2 hand warmers)

*For collar:*

100 g (= 3.5 oz) yarn + (100) 4 mm beads (for a collar with 20 peaks), 4 buttons

## Pattern:

*Garter st* in short rows.

*Double stitch (DS):* For shortened rows, after turning, tighten first stitch as follows: *lift st as if to purl, pull working yarn to back so that stitch winds itself around needle. Now two st are visible.*

*Yarn has to be pulled tightly to avoid unsightly holes.*

Insert beads by putting up each bead on your crochet hook, then pull yarn through bead. Slip this loop onto right needle instead of a yo. On WS, k as usual.

## Hand warmers:

Co 30 over a piece of waste yarn, set-up round k.

Row 1: k 25, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 2: k all

Row 3: k 26, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 4: k all

Row 5: k 27, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 6: k all

Row 7: k 28, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 8: k all

Row 9: k 29, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 10: k all

Row 11: DS 1 (*see above under "pattern"*), k to end

Row 12: bind off 5, k to end

Rows 1 to 12 yield one peak or point.

After 4 peaks, work *thumb opening*:

In Row 12, bind off 5, k 8, bind off 8, k 14

In the following row, cast on anew 8 st and work 2 more peaks as per instruction.

Sample hand warmers consist of 6 peaks. For larger hands or for thinner yarn, add a seventh peak.

**Finishing:**

Join stitches from first row (*from piece of waste yarn*) and last row (*still on needle*) in kitchener stitch. Work in yarn tail.

**Collar:**

Co 30, k for seven rounds.

Row 8: k 25, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 9: k 10, turn

Row 10: DS 1 (*see above under "pattern"*), k 4, yo, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 11: k all

Row 12: k 27, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 13: k 20, turn

Row 14: DS 1 (*see above under "pattern"*), k 14, yo, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 15: k all

Row 16: k 29, yo, k2tog, insert 1 bead, k 3

Row 17: k 20, turn

Row 18: DS 1 (*see above under "pattern"*), k to end

Row 19: bind off 5, k to end

From row 8 on, repeat as often as needed until desired number of peaks is worked.  
Sample collar consists of 20 peaks.

K for 2 rows, then spread out evenly (4) buttonholes:

*For buttonholes*, k2tog, yo, ssk.

On WS, k2tbl from the yo

K for another 4 rows, bind off.

**Finishing:**

Sew on buttons, work in ends.