

FINGER KNIITTING FUN

What is finger knitting? Knitting with one's own fingers in place of two knitting needles!

1. With your left palm facing towards you, trap the end of the yarn between your thumb and forefinger.



2. Weave the yarn over your forefinger, behind your middle finger and over your ring finger. Then trap the long end attached to the ball with your little finger.



3. Then, wind the yarn anti-clockwise around your middle three fingers and trap the long end with your little finger again.



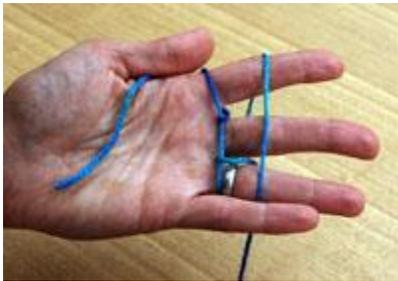
4. On your ring finger, pull the lower loop over the upper yarn and over the top of your finger.



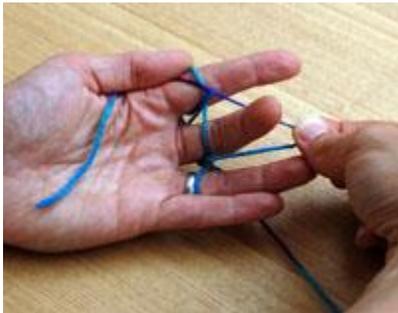
5. Release the end of yarn held between your thumb and forefinger and place it between your forefinger and middle finger, so that the short end lies behind your hand. You can choose to trap the short end between your thumb and forefinger again for the first row, as shown.



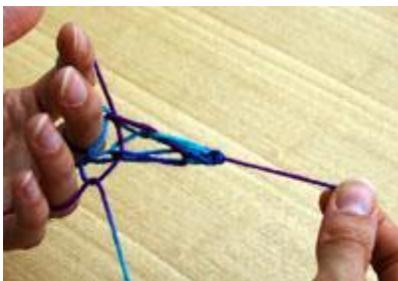
6. Wind the long end of the yarn (attached to the ball) anti-clockwise around your middle three fingers.



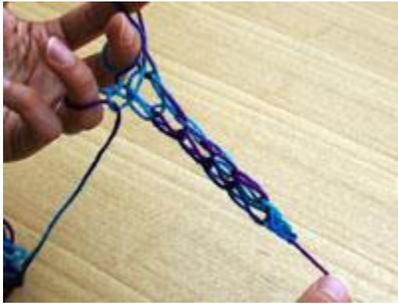
7. Now, starting with your forefinger, pull the lower loop over the upper yarn and over your forefinger. Repeat this action on your middle finger and ring finger so that you are left with three loops on your fingers.



8. Every two rows, pull the short thread behind your fingers taut to tighten your knitting.



9. Repeat steps 6 and 7 until the knitting is the desired length.



10. To cast off, leave a length of approximately six inches and then cut the yarn. Thread the end of this yarn through the three loops on your fingers. Remove the loops from your fingers and pull tight. Weave the cut end of yarn back into the knitted cord with a yarn needle and trim loose end.

<http://www.how-to-knit-guide.com/finger-knitting.html> / **How to Knit Guide**, accessed April 25, 2012

WHAT CAN I MAKE?

- You can tie or braid together several cords to make a scarf or necklace
- Make a handle for tote, purse, bag or pail
- Create unique and amazing headbands and/or hatbands
- Wrap your colorful cord around a fence or a lamp pole or a tree branch or your bicycle handlebars
- Wrap up special gifts to give a truly handmade flair
- Coil and sew cords together in a circle to make a chair pad or a rug
- Fashion an awesome belt
- Create a colorful holiday garland decoration
- Use strong yarn to make customized pet leashes or jump ropes
- Add bells, beads, pom poms or tassels to your cords

Unleash your limitless ingenuity and imagination!



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