

# DIY Fingerless Glovelies (tm)

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# For Women and Girls

(Just trace around your hand to change the size).

This sewing pattern is rated 'Easy Peasy'

(you can SO do this!)







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## Hi there!

I'm Mandy Wildman and I absolutely LOVE LOVE LOVE to make fun outfits for people and dolls using discarded clothing (mostly tee shirts) and scraps from my stash.

I like to think of myself as a "post-apocalyptic upcycler". What would happen if suddenly we had no way to get new clothing for ourselves or our family and we had to make do with whatever we had on hand? What if we couldn't buy any new dolls or doll clothes?

Don't worry. At <a href="www.TheVibrant Crafter.com">www.TheVibrant Crafter.com</a> I share all my tips, tutorials, reviews and recommendations for making stylish garments and sweet dolls and accessories using re-purposed clothes and found objects.

Whether you're a serious upcycler like me, or you're just having some weekend crafting fun, you couldn't have chosen an easier or more fun pattern to try.

This pattern is quite forgiving, so don't be afraid to adjust it to make it bigger or smaller for the different members of your family or your friends. Just have fun with it and don't be afraid to experiment!

Ready to start? Let's go!

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## **Copyright Note**

This pattern was created by hand and from scratch by me. This is how I support my family, and while I love to be generous and help people make nifty things for themselves, I would be grateful if you would not copy my original patterns and try to sell them as if you designed them yourself.

On the other hand, I REALLY appreciate your help in sharing my website link (<a href="www.TheVibrantCrafter.com">www.TheVibrantCrafter.com</a>) and doing your part to save the planet by using my patterns to make really beautiful items which of course you can then wear or sell or give to your loved ones. See the difference? Thank you. XOXOXOX

# **Getting Started Making Glovelies**(tm)

- All seams are about 1/4 " unless otherwise noted.
- Cut all fabric on the grain unless otherwise noted.

# **Supplies**

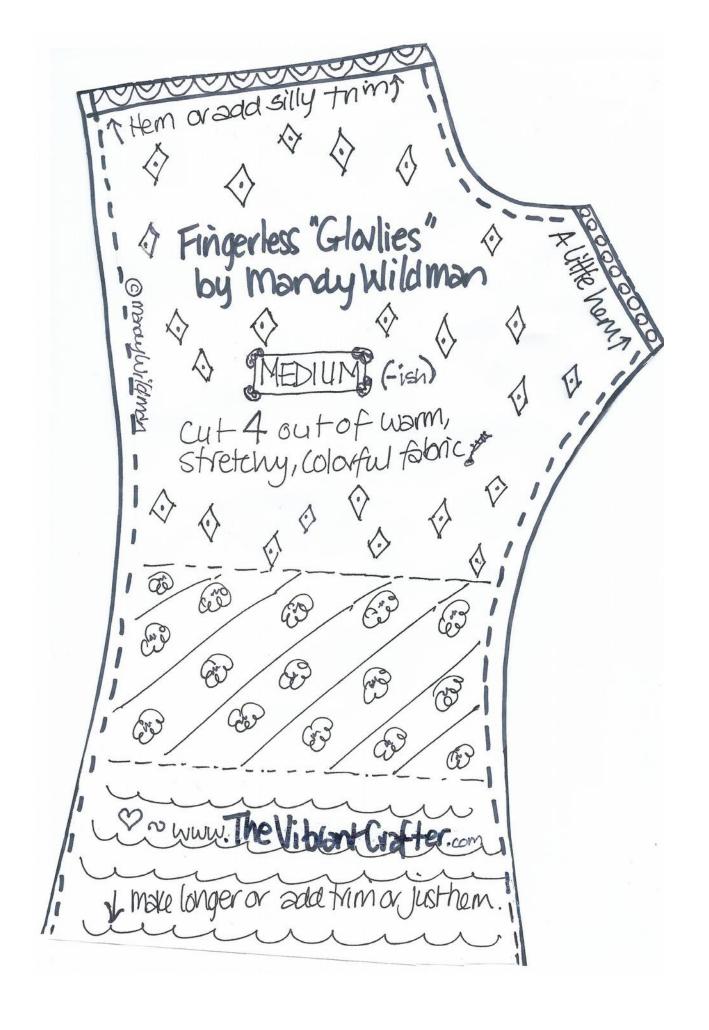
### For this project you'll need:

- An old sweater or tee shirt in favorite pretty color(s)
- Thread in matching or better yet, wildly contrasting color(s)

#### **Optional**

- Pinking shears I am personally addicted to the zig-zaggy edges!
- Fun buttons or pieces of trim or ribbon that you have on hand.

Pattern Piece (there's only one - yay!)



## **Sewing Instructions**

## **DIY Fingerless "Glovelies"**



## **Step 1 - Print out the pattern piece**

- Print out the pattern piece on the previous page and cut it out.
- Place your hand on it and see if it's the right size for your hand. If not, just turn the page over so that all my squiggles are on the back, and trace around your hand, making sure to leave plenty of space around your hand for the seams.
- If the pattern seems too small, place it on a bigger piece of paper and trace around it to match the size of your hand with a bit extra for the seam.

#### Step 2 - Cut out 4 pieces of fabric

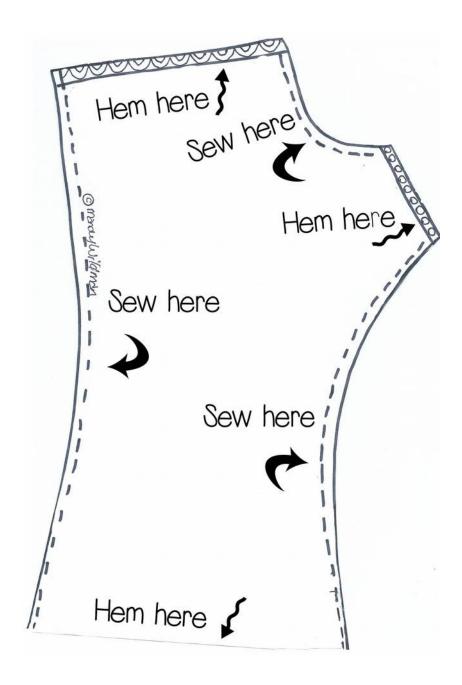
- Place the garment on a flat surface and smooth it out so there are no wrinkles.
- Pin the fabric together so that it stays in place.
- Put your paper pattern on the top of the garment and pin it or draw around it with a disappearing fabric marker.
- Cut 4 pieces exactly the same using either regular sewing scissors or my favorite pinking shears.

Note: If you are using 2 different fabrics for the back and the front of the gloves, make sure you cut "mirror images" of each fabric.



#### **Step 3 - Sew the seams**

• Place two of the pieces back-to-back and stitch (using a straight). stitch along both sides and between the thumb and forefinger as shown below:



 Then sew the seams and hems as shown above. For the hems I like to use a zig-zag stitch to make my gloves look wonky and fun!

# Oh – look at you go! You made some GLOVELIES!

Now all you have to do is find some scraps of lace or trim or buttons and bling away to your heart's content. Or leave them plain – it's up to you! I like to pile smaller, more gaudy buttons on top of larger ones. Oh, the possibilities are endless!!!



#### **Even EASIER Arm Warmers!**

Next, I'll show you how to make some SUPER simple arm (or wrist) warmers!



(This is so easy it might make you laugh)

## Step 1 – Make some arm-warmers (there is only one step!)

- First, find an old not-too-thick sweater or a too-small long-sleeved tee shirt.
- Next, hack off the sleeves to the length you want your arm-warmers to be.
- Then just make a small hem at the upper (wider) end, using a zig-zag stitch.

What? Wait! Surely it must be harder than that?!?!
NOPE!

These were made using an old stretchy top that had a stain:



These were made using an old wool sweater that shrank:



And these wrist-warmers were made using an odd wool sock (who knows where the other one went). You can use these as ankle-warmers too!



If you use a thicker sweater with long arms you can hem the wider part by hand if your sewing machine won't handle it and then you've made yourself some really cozy leg-warmers – yay!

How long did it take? Twenty minutes? Half an hour? Fun projects don't have to take very long at all!

#### You're All Done!

Wow! You did it. You made some pretty **Glovelies** and some wrist/ankle/leg warmers too. You ROCK!

As you've probably already realized, there are just SO MANY NEAT WAYS you can use up your scraps and keep discarded clothing out of landfills, so that we can continue to enjoy this beautiful planet for a bazillion years to come!

Just imagine, hundreds of years from now people will say about you, "She was one of the ones who helped re-balance the Earth by not buying cheap, mass-produced clothing made in dangerous sweat-shops. Instead, she repurposed pre-worn clothes, stepped out in style and did things HER way!"

I pour my heart and soul into creating my patterns and it makes me so happy to know that you can make your own warm and pretty fingerless gloves and arm/leg warmers and that you didn't have to spend any money to do it.

I want you to know that I LOVE LOVE LOVE to share, but if you share this pattern with someone else who doesn't pay me for it, then basically I can't continue making patterns any more – and that would make me (and my family) very sad.

So thank you for understanding that this is how we make our living and please know that we appreciate your business very, very much.

Hugs and blessings to you!

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