



Now that the weather is warming up I've started a pair of mittens. I've been wearing (and darning) the same pair of [red mittens](#) for three years and they're really showing it. I got this yarn (Cascade 220 paints, colour #9925) in Ottawa last February especially for making these mittens but never got around to it. When I finished my Solstice socks last weekend I realized mittens would be a perfect new portable project.

I got out my copy of [Knitter's Almanac](#) and read the mittens chapter before turning to the "pithy directions" for mitred mittens and casting on. After that I got a little distracted and read most of the rest of the book. Elizabeth's writing is always such good reading. She's so chatty. Eventually I did some actual knitting and have a few inches of mitten to show for it. The mitring is really neat. I love knitting that makes me feel clever.