

Knitted Gloves

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Abbreviations

CC contrast colour.

k knit.

k2tog knit two together.

kfb knit in front and back of same stitch.

MC main colour.

p purl.

st stitch.

sts stitches.

st-st stocking stitch.

Basic Gloves

This is the basic pattern for gloves, medium sized. Knit using 4mm double-pointed needles and yarn of appropriate thickness. Gauge should be 10 stitches and 16 rows to 5cm in st-st.

Cuffs

Cast on 40 sts, using cable cast-on (tie a slip knot, knit into and place the stitch back on the left needle, then knit behind stitch just made and place back on left needle); arrange (16, 12, 12).

Knit 13 rounds in [k2 p2] rib.

Base of Glove

Knit 9 rounds in st-st [k].

Gusset

- For RH Glove:
 - k2 p1 k2 p1 k to end of round.
 - k2 p1 [kfb]×2 p1 k to end of round.
 - k2 p1 k4 p1 k to end of round.
 - k2 p1 [kfb]×4 p1 k to end of round.
 - k2 p1 k8 p1 k to end of round.
 - k2, detach next 10 sts and place on a safety pin. Using backward loop cast on, cast on 4 more stitches, k to end of row.
- For LH Glove:
 - k34 p1 k2 p1 k2.
 - k34 p1 [kfb]×2 p1 k2.
 - k34 p1 k4 p1 k2.
 - k34 p1 [kfb]×4 p1 k2.
 - k34 p1 k8 p1 k2.
 - k34, detach next 10 sts and place on a safety pin. Using backward loop cast on, cast on 4 more stitches, k2.

Palm

Knit 18 rounds in st-st.

Fingers

- Index Finger
 - k6 from first needle, place next 28 sts onto a thread to hold them. Cast on 2 sts (using backward loop cast-on), k6 from last needle.
 - Arrange the stitches (5, 4, 5) and k for 18 rounds.
 - [k2tog k1]×4, k2tog.
 - k for 1 round.
 - [k1 k2tog]×3. Cut yarn and run through stitches to fasten off.
- Middle Finger
 - Pick up 5 stitches each from the front and back of the thread. k5 from front, cast on 3 sts (using backward loop cast-on), k5 from back, pick up 2 sts from base of index finger.
 - Arrange the stitches (5, 5, 5) and k for 21 rounds.

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- [k1 k2tog]×5.
 - k for 1 round.
 - k2tog k2 [k2tog k1]×2. Cut yarn and run through stitches to fasten off.
- Ring Finger
 - Pick up 4 stitches each from the front and back of the thread. k4 from front, cast on 2 sts (using backward loop cast-on), k4 from back, pick up 3 sts from base of middle finger.
 - Arrange the stitches (5, 4, 4) and k for 18 rounds.
 - k1 [k2tog k1]×4.
 - k for 1 round.
 - [k1 k2tog]×3. Cut yarn and run through stitches to fasten off.
- Little Finger
 - Pick up remaining 10 stitches from the thread. k10, pick up 2 sts from base of ring finger.
 - Arrange the stitches (4, 4, 4) and k for 12 rounds.
 - [k1 k2tog]×4.
 - k for 1 round.
 - k1 k2tog k2 k2tog k1. Cut yarn and run through stitches to fasten off.
- Thumb
 - Place 10 stitches from pin onto a needle. Pick up 1 st from body of glove, k10, pick up 4 from body of glove, k12.
 - Arrange the stitches (5, 5, 5) and k for 15 rounds.
 - [k1 k2tog]×5.
 - k for 1 round.
 - k2tog k2 [k2tog k1]×2. Cut yarn and run through stitches to fasten off.

(Almost) Simple Two-Toned Gloves

Use two colours, MC (main colour) and CC (contrast colour), which should be light and dark (respectively).

Knit cuff in CC, then change to MC. After the gusset, k for 1 round, then replace the body of the glove with the following pattern, using a separate thread of CC for each pattern segment:

- LH Glove:

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- (MC: k3 [CC: k2]¹ MC: k10 [CC: k2] MC: k to end of row)×2.
 - k for 3 rounds in MC.
 - MC: k8 [CC: k4] k to end of row.
 - (MC: k8 [CC: k4] MC: k16 [CC: k2] MC: k10)×2.
 - MC: k8 [CC: k4] k to end of row.
 - (MC: k3 [CC: k2] MC: k10 [CC: k2] MC: k to end of row)×2.

- RH Glove:

- (MC: k23 [CC: k2] MC: k10 [CC: k2] MC: k3)×2.
- k for 3 rounds in MC.
- MC: k28 [CC: k4] k8.
- (MC: k10 [CC: k2] MC: k16 [CC: k4] MC: k8)×2.
- MC: k28 [CC: k4] k8.
- (MC: k23 [CC: k2] MC: k10 [CC: k2] MC: k3)×2.

k for 4 rounds in MC, then proceed with fingers. Start each finger with 4 rounds of MC, then continue with CC.

Striped Gloves

These work well in multiple colours (such as a rainbow), changing the MC every stripe and with black as the CC. Knit cuffs in CC, then follow the pattern, knitting 6 rounds in MC, two rounds in CC. For fingers, knit two MC stripes (as with before), then knit fingertips in CC.

¹To pick up a new colour in the middle of a row, twist a (short) piece of yarn with the current one, then knit as required, twisting the two threads every two sts. Strand MC behind (as with intarsia), but the CC thread will need to be woven back through the sts to match the start of the next round.