

NIGHT OWL GLOVES

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Materials:

You will need about 50 g (about 200 meters) of fingering-weight yarn of each main and contrasting colors.

You will also need circular needles, a tapestry needle, and some scrap yarn or stitch holders to put the finger stitches on.

For the needles, I recommend using US size 0 (2mm European size) for a nice dense fabric, but you can pick whatever size you need depending on your gauge.

Gauge. The sample pair is 64-st wide. It was knitted with 4-ply sock yarns on Addi Turbo circular needles size 0 (2mm), measures 9.7 cm across (hand part) X 17 cm from the bottom to the fingers base, and fits size Small. Gauge on that pair is 35s X 35r = 10 cm.

Using main color, cast on 56 sts. on your needles. Join in the round being careful not to twist, and knit 1" of 1X1 rib or a garter stitch, or any other edging of your choice. Proceed with the cuff pattern in stranded colorwork technique. Twist yarns on the wrong side of your work to handle long yarn floats. Usually, carrying yarn longer than 4-5 stitches without twisting is not recommended.

In 19th row, decrease 2 sts. evenly (54 sts.), and redistribute stitches on your needles so that you have 22 sts. on needle 1, and 32 sts. on needle 2.

Proceed with the glove body chart.

THUMB GUSSET:

In the 21st row, put the stitch markers around the stitch highlighted with a pink box on the chart. The thumb gusset is formed at the same time as you knit the hand part of the glove by adding stitches between the stitch markers; just follow the chart.

To add a stitch, pick up a yarn float from below with your right needle, twist it, put it back on the left needle and knit. In order to have neat and symmetrical increases, twist yarn floats to the right on the right side, and to the left on the left side of the thumb.

Once you have 11 sts. between the stitch markers, continue to knit as charted until 38th row.

The thumb opening is highlighted with pink line on the charts. In the 38th row, put the 11 stitches just below the line on a stitch holder; the stitches above the line are the ones you cast on over the hole in the

same row (backward loop is one of the methods). The pink line on the thumb chart shows the stitches from the stitch holder (the thumb front), the remaining stitches are picked up. The thumbs are worked on 26 stitches (11 X 2 from mitten body + 2X2 sts. picked on the sides, marked with pink squares).

After 59th row, distribute stitches for the fingers, putting them on scrap yarns or stitch holders. The central st. of the index finger must align with the side stitch on the glove.

From needle 1 (right hand, mirror for the left hand):

- 9 sts. for index finger;
- 9 sts. for middle finger;
- 7 sts. for ring finger;
- 7 sts. for little finger.

And from needle 2 (right hand, mirror for the left):

- 8 sts. for little finger
- 7 sts. for ring finger;
- 9 sts. for middle finger;
- 8 sts. for index finger;

Fingers. Index finger: Transfer 17 sts. stitches on your circular needles, and CO 2 st using backward loop = 19 sts. Join in the round and knit until it almost reaches the tip of your finger. Divide stitches in 3 parts and start decreases by knitting two sts. together in the end of each group until you have 6 sts. left. Break yarn and pull it through remaining st, weave in ends.

Middle finger: Transfer 9 sts. on circular needles, pick up 2 sts. from the side of the index finger, transfer another 9 sts. and CO 2 more sts. = (22)sts. Knit similar to index finger.

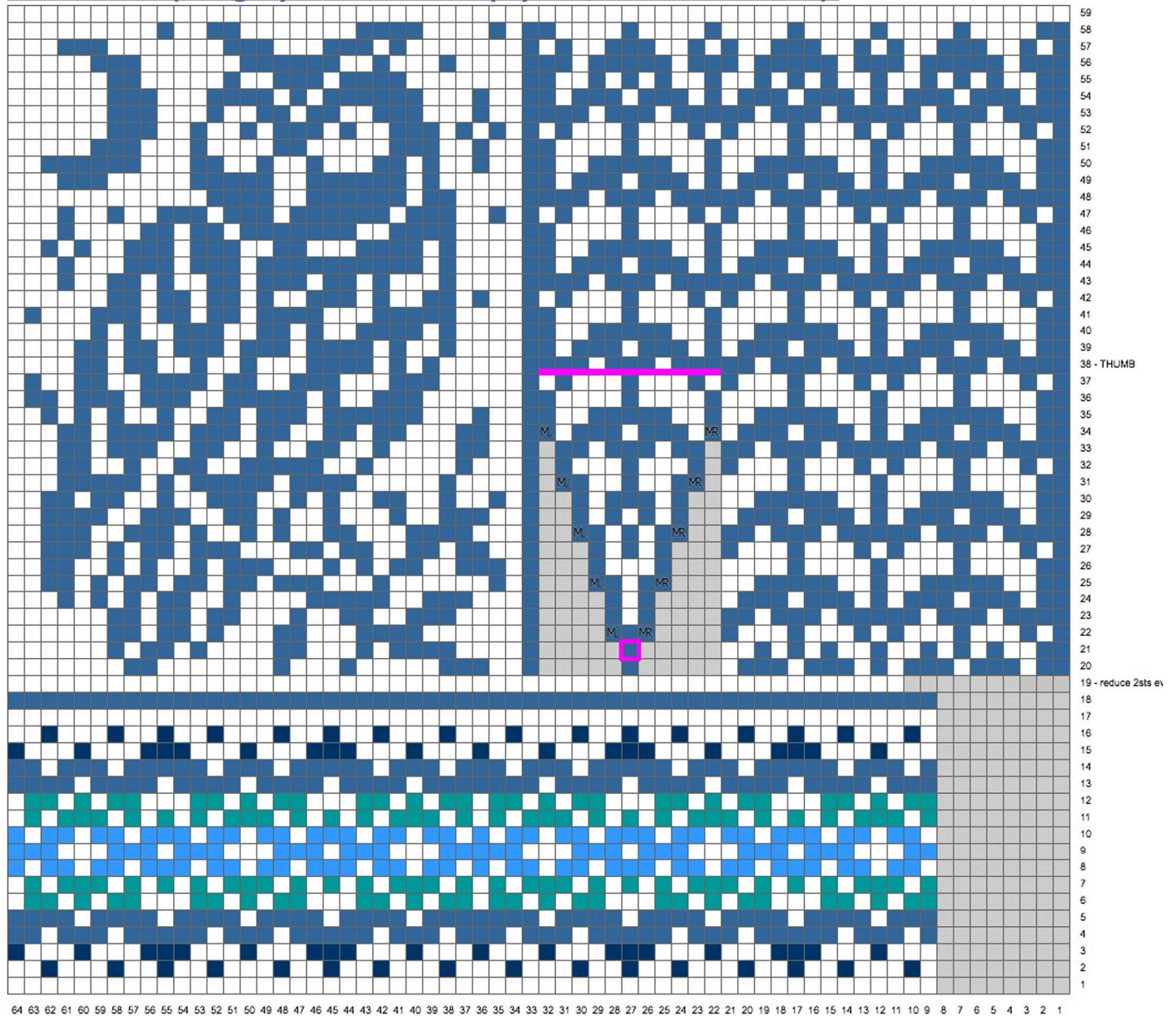
Ring finger: knit like the middle finger, on 18sts.

Little finger: 15 sts. + 2 sts. picked up from the base of the ring finger=17 sts.

When starting fingers, make sure you leave the yarn tail at least 4" long. There will be holes at the base of the fingers when you finish, but you will be able to close them with that yarn afterwards.

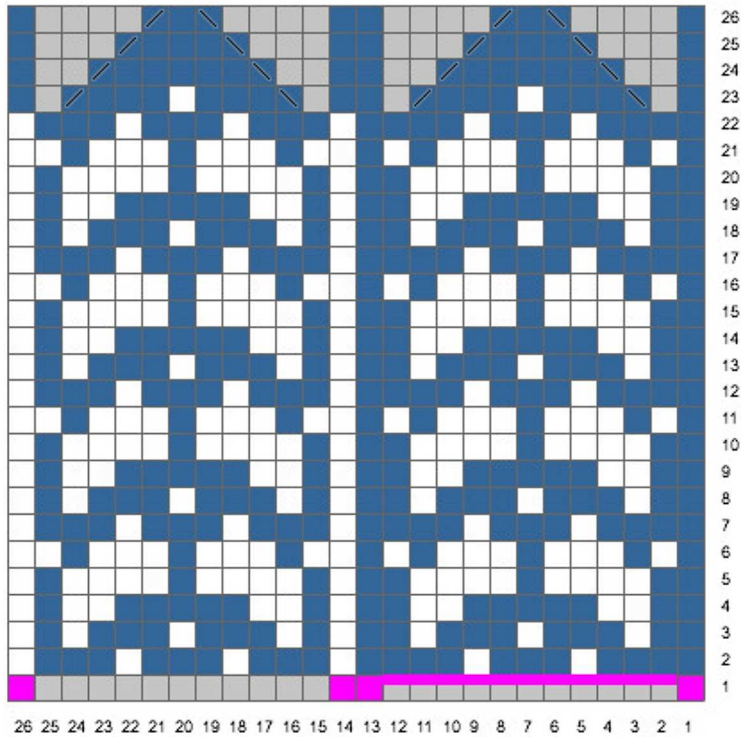
Finishing weave in ends, block and wear!

LEFT GLOVE (the gray cells show empty sts., don't knit those).



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THUMBS (26-sts. wide) make two:



Knit



Left leaning decrease (S1K1psso or
SSK)



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