

Glint of Light

"Don't tell me the moon is shining; show me the glint of light on broken glass."

-Anton Chekhov

Knotty Mittens

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I have never owned a pair of mittens. Not *terribly* surprising, as I spent my formative years, and several since, in sunny foggy CA, but dammit, I've lived in NY off an on for eight years now! And I had [very awesome, very goofy yarn](#) I accidentally bought (long story)! And... uh... okay, that's [about](#) it. I mean, geeze, how many reasons do you need to make mittens?

Now, I've made [Knotty gloves](#) several times now, and adore the pattern, not just because it's pretty but also because it's turned out great even when I use different yarns and/or can't find the perfect needle size, so I figured if I was going to quasi-invent myself some mittens, these would be the best place to go. Apologies to (the clearly fabulous) [Julia Mueller](#) for blatantly co-opting her pattern.



**Materials:**

- 1 skein sock weight yarn
- 2.5 mm circular needle (80 or 100 cm) or dpns
- Tapestry needle
- A little piece of waste yarn

Gauge:

30 stitches and 44 rows on 10 x 10 cm (stockinette stitch)

Size:

women's L

19 cm / 7.5" hand circumference

It's important to check the fit of the glove while knitting, so try it on from time to time.

Downsizing: use a gauge of 36sts/4" to get a women's M (17 cm / 6.5" circumference).

Abbreviations:

[R]: = instructions for the right glove

[L]: = instructions for the left glove

Instructions:

CO 60 sts.

[R]: work p2 k2 ribbing for 2.5"

[L]: work k2 p2 ribbing for 2.5"

[R]: go on ribbing the first 30 sts, then knit the remaining 30 sts in cable pattern (see chart). When reaching round 24, knit the 30 ribbed sts in stockinette stitch and continue working the chart for 5 rounds.

[L]: use the first 30 sts for the cable pattern (see chart) and go on ribbing the remaining 30 sts. When reaching round 24, knit the 30 ribbed sts in stockinette stitch and continue working the chart for 5 rounds.

Thumb gusset:

Go on with the chart (you should be in round 29 right now), but work the 30 stockinette stitches as follows:

[R]:

Round 29: k2, m1, k1, m1, k27

Round 30 + 31: knit

Round 32: k2, m1, k3, m1, k27

Round 33 + 34: knit

Go on in the established increase pattern, adding 2 knit sts to the segment marked bold. When you reach the point where you have to k17 between the m1, stop increasing (Round 53).

Round 54 – 56: k78

Round 57: k2, put the next 19 sts on a piece of waste yarn, cast on 5 sts to close the gap using the back-ward loop method, k57

You need to decrease 4 of these 5 sts on the next 2 rounds as follows:

Round 58: when you reach the 5 sts: ssk, k1, k2tog

Round 59: when you reach the remaining 3 stitches: slip1, k2tog, psso.

Go on knitting until you reach the top of your little finger

[L]:

Round 29: k27, m1, k1, m1, k2

Round 30 + 31: knit

Round 32: k27, m1, k3, m1, k2

Round 33 + 34: knit

Go on in the established increase pattern, adding 2 knit sts to the segment marked bold. When you reach the point where you have to k17 between the m1, stop increasing (Round 53).

Round 54 – 56: knit

Round 57: k57, put the next 19 sts on a piece of waste yarn, cast on 5 sts to close the gap using the back-ward loop method, k2

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[R&L]:

Begin decreases:

k1, ssk, k25, k2tog, k1, k25, k2tog

k1, ssk, k23, k2tog, k1, k23, k2tog

k1, ssk, k21, k2tog, k1, k21, k2tog

k1, ssk, k19, k2tog, k1, k19, k2tog

k1, ssk, k17, k2tog, k1, k17, k2tog

k1, ssk, k15, k2tog, k1, k15, k2tog

k1, ssk, k13, k2tog, k1, k13, k2tog

k1, ssk, k11, k2tog, k1, k11, k2tog

k1, ssk, k9, k2tog, k1, k9, k2tog

k1, ssk, k7, k2tog, k1, k7, k2tog

k1, ssk, k5, k2tog, k1, k5, k2tog

k1, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1, k3, k2tog

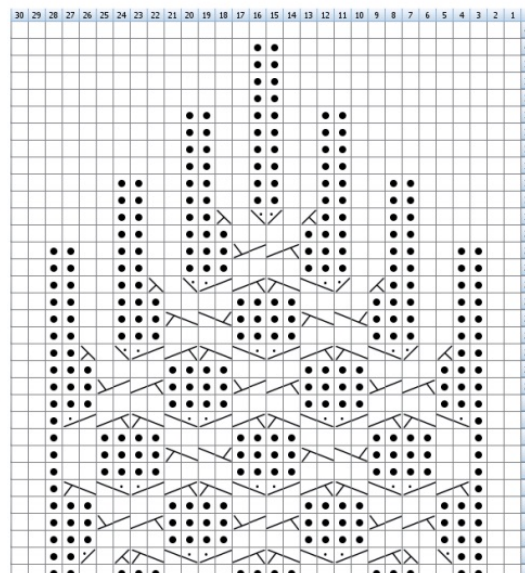
k1, slip 1, k2tog, psso, k1, slip 1, k2tog, psso

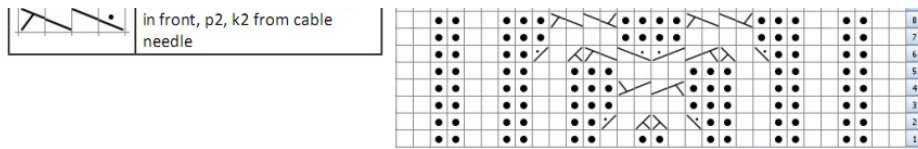
Thread yarn through live stitches, draw through.

Weave in all ends and use them to close between the hand and thumb (if necessary).

Cable Chart:

Symbol	Description
	Knit
	Purl
	Slip one to cable needle, hold in back, k2, p1 from cable needle
	Slip 2 to cable needle, hold in front, p1, k2 from cable needle
	Slip two to cable needle, hold in back, k2, k2 from cable needle
	Slip two to cable needle, hold in front, k2, k2 from cable needle
	Slip two to cable needle, hold in back, k2, p2 from cable needle
	Slip two to cable needle, hold





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