

This project was inspired by the need to find color inspiration in everyday items. By putting pattern and fun into fingerless gloves, any person can have their personality on the back of their hand. From leaves, to hearts, to the skull and crossbones, hopefully this pattern will inspire more patterns! Fits most hands.

materials

	Worsted
Gauge:	6 sts - 1"
Needle - Top	#5 (3.75mm)
Yarn A:	150-200 Yards
Yarn B:	50-100 Yards
Scrap yarn for stitch holders	



casting on

Cast on 45 stitches onto three dpns (15-15-15). Pick either Yarn A (main color) or Yarn B to work with a stripe.

Row 1: K2 P3
Row 2: K2 P1, K1, P1

Continue with Row 1 & 2 for 2 more repeats (total of 6 rows), switch to other yarn color and work two repeats. Keep switching between yarn colors until the ribbin reaches 3.5" or desired length.

With Yarn A, knit all stitches, increasing 5 stitches evenly for a total of 50 stitches. Knit 2 additional rows.

pattern

The color working is easiest to do in a non-circular knit (thumb gusset will finish the edges nicely).

Starting for the Left Hand: Place a marker after first stitch on Needle 1, and place a second marker after 25 stitches (24 for Skull Pattern).

Starting for the Right Hand: Place a marker before the last stitch on Needle 3, and place a second marker 25 (24) stitches previously.

Now, start the color pattern based on the attached charts, pulling the second color so that the wrong side does not contain loops of fabric. At the end of the first knit row of the pattern, turn to wrong side and purl the second row of the pattern. By working in this fashion, the non-patterned half of the needles (essentially the inside of the hand) will not be as bulky as the color pattern half. Continue knitting even rows and purling odd rows within the stitch markers until pattern is complete. Once complete, knit 2 rows with just Yarn A to bring the glove back to a circular tube. Add 2 additional knit rows if hands are bigger.

fingers

Once palm of hand is finished, it is time to work on the fingers. Starting with Needle 1, leave first 7 stitches on needle, slip the next 36 stitches onto scrap yarn, leaving the last 7 stitches on Needle 3. Follow instructions for both hands below, making sure to follow which side of the hand to start on.

Finger 1: Knit 7 stitches, cast on 4 stitches, and knit remaining 7 stitches (18 total). Work 5 rows. Then, change to K2 P1 Rib for 3 rows. Bind off in Rib.

Finger 2: Start with the palm of hand (no pattern side). Pick up 6 stitches from scrap yarn, cast on 4 stitches, pick up 7 stitches from end of Pattern Side scrap yarn, then pick up the 4 stitches made by Finger 1 cast on (21 total). Knit 7 rows. Change to K2 P1 Rib for 3 rows. Bind off in Rib.

Finger 3: Start with the palm of hand (no pattern side). Pick up 6 stitches from scrap yarn, cast on 2 stitches, pick up 6 stitches from end of Pattern Side scrap yarn, then pick up the 4 stitches made by Finger 2 cast on (18 total). Knit 5 rows. Change to K2 P1 Rib for 3 rows. Bind off in Rib.

Finger 4: Pick up and divide remaining stitches (11 stitches) onto two needles. Pick up 2 cast on stitches from Finger 3. Knit 1 row. Change to K2 P1 Rib for 3 rows (to keep in ribbing pattern, purl the additional stitch). Bind off in Rib.

thumb gusset

The thumb gusset will clean up the glove and protect the thumb. Pick up 1 stitch on either side of the bottom of the thumb hole and the loop at the bottom (3 stitches total). Knit row, then turn work and purl stitches. Turn work and pick up an additional stitch from glove from both sides of glove (5 stitches total). Purl wrong side. Continue adding two stitches each knit row until you reach 15 stitches. Stop at knit increase row where you hit 15 stitches. Turn work and bind off in Purl.

Finishing. At top of thumb gusset, sew up the two edges down towards the thumb for 3 to 5 stitches to minimize thumb hole.

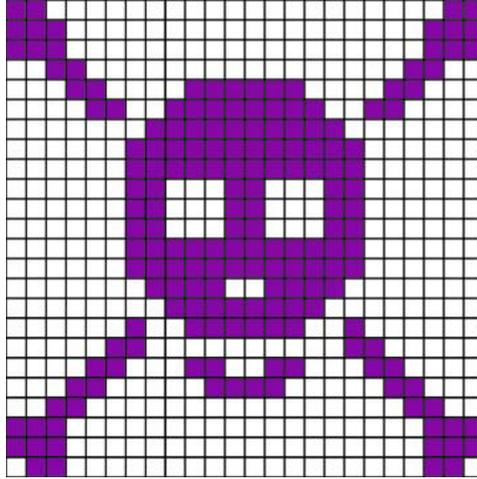
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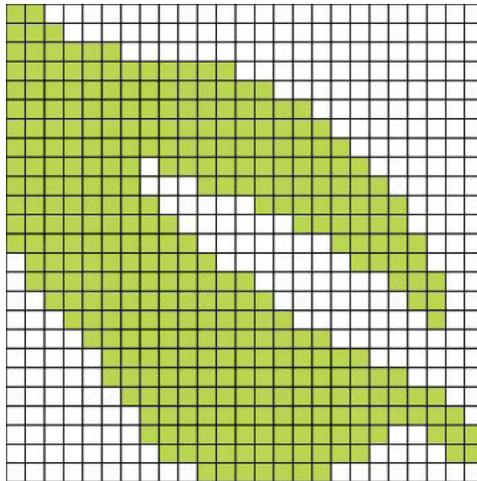
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