Serpentine Mitts

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These simple fingerless gloves fit like a dream and look like a million bucks. The non-traditional cable is fun to knit as well as fun to wear. This pattern is offered in 3 sizes and the larger sizes could easily be for men as well. Sizing is measured by hand circumference around the palm, above the thumb.

SPECIFICATIONS

Yarn: For all sizes - 1 50 gram skein of Louet Gems fingering weight.

Needles: Set of 5, 2.25 mm (US Size 1) double pointed needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

k: knit
p: purl
m1: make one
c2 over 1 right p: slip 1 st to the back on cable needle, k2, p1 from cable needle.

Gauge: 8 stitches per inch measured over stockinette. Finished Sizes: to fit up to 7(8,9)" hand circumference. 7" long. Notions: stitch markers to mark gusset

c2 over 1 left p: slip 2 sts to the front on cable needle, p1, k2 from cable needle.
c2 over 2 right: slip 2 sts to the back on cable needle, k2, k2 from cable needle.
c2 over 2 left: slip 2 sts to the front on cable needle, k2, k2 from cable needle.

NOTES:

- This pattern is sized to fit with about 1" of negative ease. Meaning that for a 7" size, the finished mitt will be about 6" around. This allows for a comfortable and secure fit.
- The gusset is worked at the same time as the cables, but is written in a separate section. Remember to work them at the same time but in the location indicated in the gusset section instructions

Stretchy sewn bind off is worked thus: Cut the tail of yarn 4 times length of a round or row, then thread
onto a tapestry needle and **thread through 2 sts as if to purl and then back through the first st as if to
knit and slide the first stitch off the needle. Repeat from ** until all sts are worked.

PATTERN:

Cuff: Cast on **48(56,64)** sts and join in the round, being careful not to twist. Divide sts evenly on 4 needles. Work 4 inches of k2 p2 ribbing. If you desire a longer mitt, work ribbing for more than 4".

Gusset:

NOTE! The Gusset is worked at the same time as the cables, but placed differently based on which hand you are knitting for!

For **left hand**, gusset is worked at the end of needle 4 and before needle 1. For **right hand**, gusset is worked at the end of needle 2 and before needle 3.

Gusset rnd 1: m1, place marker on each side of new stitch to mark gusset sts. Gusset rnd 2 and every even gusset round: knit all gusset sts. Gusset rnd 3: m1, k1, m1 (3 sts) Gusset rnd 5: m1, k to end of gusset sts, m1 Repeat Gusset rnds 5 & 6 until you have a total of **21(23,25**) gusset sts, then continue in stockinette until cable work is done.

Serpentine Cables:

The following instructions can be worked from either the written directions or the charts. The chart and legend are on the last page. For **both hands**, work the following instructions (or the chart) over needles 1 &2 & continue ribbing on other needles, remembering to work gusset sts as instructed above.

For 7" size only:

Rnd 1: k2, p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p1 (k2,p2) twice. Rnd 2 and all even rounds: knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts. *Rnd 3:* k2, p2, k2, c 2 over 1 right p, p4, c2 over 1 left p, (k2, p2) twice. *Rnd 5:* k2, p2, c2 over 2 right, p6, c2 over 2 left, p2, k2, p2. *Rnd 7:* k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, k2, p6, k2, c2 over 1 left p, p1, k2, p2. *Rnd 9:* k2, c2 over 1 right p, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, k2, p2. Rnd 11: knit all knits and purl all purls Rnd 13: knit all knits and purl all purls *Rnd 15:* k4, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p4, c2 over 1 right p, p2, k4, p2. *Rnd 17:* k4, p3, c2 over 1 left p, p2, c2 over 1 right p, p3, k4, p2. Rnd 19: k2, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p3, c2 over 1 right p, k2, p2. Rnd 21: k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 2 left, p3, c2 over 1 right p, p1, k2, p2 (this is also the last increase round for the gusset section) *Rnd 23:* (k2, p2) twice, c2 over 1 right p, c2 over 1 left p, (p2, k2) twice, p2. *Rnd 25:* k2, p2, (c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p2) twice, k2, p2. *Rnd 27:* k2, p3, c2 over 2 right, p4, c2 over 2 left, p3, k2, p2. *Rnd 29:* k2, p2, (c2 over 1 right p, c2 over 1 left p, p2) twice, k2, p2.

Rnd 30: Work as other even rounds, knitting all knits and purling all purls

For 8" size only:

Rearrange the stitches on the needles so that you begin Needle 1 with p2, and each needle has 14 sts.

Rnd 1: p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p1 (k2,p2) twice, k2. *Rnd 2 and all even rounds:* knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts.*Rnd 3:* (p2, k2) twice, c 2 over 1 right p, p4, c2

over 1 left p, (k2, p2) twice, k2.

Rnd 5: p2, k2, p2, c2 over 2 right, p6, c2 over 2 left, (p2, k2) twice.

Rnd 7: p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, k2, p6, k2, c2 over 1 left p, p1, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 9: p2, k2, c2 over 1 right p, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 11: knit all knits and purl all purls *Rnd 13:* knit all knits and purl all purls *Rnd 15:* p2, k4, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p4, c2 over 1 right p, p2, k4, p2, k2.

Rnd 17: p2, k4, p3, c2 over 1 left p, p2, c2 over 1 right p, p3, k4, p2, k2.

Rnd 19: p2, k2, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p3, c2 over 1 right p, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 21: p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 2 left, p3, c2 over 1 right p, p1, k2, p2, k2

Rnd 23: p2, (k2, p2) twice, c2 over 1 right p, c2 over 1 left p, (p2, k2) 3 times. (this is also the last increase round for the gusset section)

Rnd 25: p2, k2, p2, (c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p2) twice, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 27: p2, k2, p3, c2 over 2 right, p4, c2 over 2 left, p3, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 29: p2, k2, p2, (c2 over 1 right p, c2 over 1 left p, p2) twice, k2, p2, k2.

Rnd 30: Work as other even rounds, knitting all knits and purling all purls

For 9" size only:

Rearrange the stitches on the needles so that you begin Needle 1 with k2, and each needle has 16 sts.



Rnd 1: (k2, p2) twice, k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p1 (k2,p2) 3 times. *Rnd 2 and all even rounds:* knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts.

Rnd 3: k2, (p_2 , k_2) twice, c 2 over 1 right p, p4, c2 over 1 left p, (k_2 , p_2) 3 times.

Rnd 5: (k2, p2) twice, c2 over 2 right, p6, c2 over 2 left, (p2, k2) twice, p2.

Rnd 7: k2, p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 right p, k2, p6, k2, c2 over 1 left p, p1, (k2, p2) twice.

Rnd 9: k2, p2, k2, c2 over 1 right p, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, (k2, p2) twice.

Rnd 11: knit all knits and purl all purls

Rnd 13: knit all knits and purl all purls

Rnd 15: k2, p2, k4, p2, c2 over 1 left p, p4, c2 over 1 right p, p2, k4, p2, k2, p2.



Rnd 17: k2, p2, k4, p3, c2 over 1 left p, p2, c2 over 1 right p, p3, k4, p2, k2, p2.

Rnd 19: k2, p2, k2, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p3, c2 over 1 right p, (k2, p2) twice.

Rnd 21: k2, p2, k2, p1, c2 over 1 left p, p3, c2 over 2 left, p3, c2 over 1 right p, p1, (k2, p2) twice. *Rnd 23:* (k2, p2) 3 times, c2 over 1 right p, c2 over1 left p, (p2, k2) 3 times, p2.

Rnd 25: (k2, p2) twice, (c2 over 1 left p, c2 over 1 right p, p2) twice, (k2,p2) twice. (this is also the last increase round for the gusset section) *Rnd 27:* k2, p2, k2, p3, c2 over 2 right, p4, c2 over 2 left, p3, (k2, p2) twice.

Rnd 29: (k2, p2) twice, (c2 over 1 right p, c2 over 1 left p, p2) twice, (k2, p2) twice.

Rnd 30: Work as other even rounds, knitting all knits and purling all purls

- Set gusset sts on waste yarn or stitch holders and rejoin other sts in the round.

- Work 1" of ribbing above rejoin. Bind off using stretchy sewn bind-off.

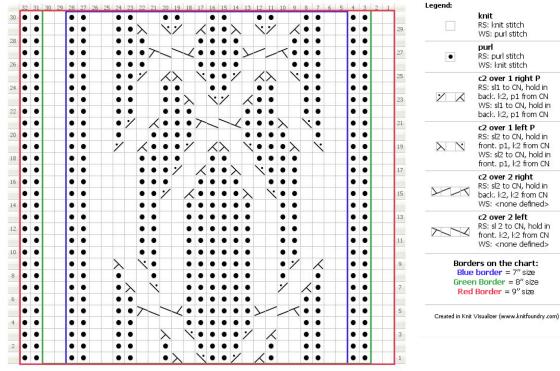
<u>Thumb:</u>

- Pick up **21(23,25)** sts from thumb gusset and knit 1 round joining in the round with a k2tog to bridge the gap over the thumb hole. **20(22,24)** sts remaining for thumb.

- Work 5 rounds of k2p2 ribbing and bind off with stretchy sewn bind-off.



Repeat for second mitt, remembering to place gusset on opposite side. Weave in ends and block if desired.



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