Mobius Mitts V.2

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Welcome!

Thanks for coming to check out this unusual and slightly geeky creation!

If you would prefer to crochet your Mobius Mitts you can download my other pattern:
http://pixelatedmushroom.blogspot.com/2010/06/mobius-mitts-v1.html

The mobius strip has been used in the past for many cowl and scarf creations, but gloves make it just that bit more exciting and unusual! People will be fascinated when you hand over your gloves and let them twist and try to work them out!

Unlike the crochet version, these gloves are knit flat and then twisted into a mobius loop and seamed. This makes this accessible to newer knitters and less hassle to keep track of where you're up to. If you'd like to try working around the mobius loop follow the link to the crochet version above.

I would love to see any photos of your finished gloves if you would like to send them to me (pixelatedmushroom@gmail.com). If you have any worries or questions just send an email.

Hope you have as much fun knitting as I did designing the pattern!

Tools
> 4.5mm needles
> a cable needle (or dpn or crochet hook)
> a stitch marker and a couple of pins

Yarn
> I used Bendigo Woollen Mills Rustic 12 Ply in the Red Tweed colourway
> (Ravelry link: http://www.ravelry.com/yarns/library/bendigo-woollen-mills-rustic-12-ply)
> but other 12ply (bulky) wool of your choice should have a similar effect.
> 100 grams easily made a pair for me

Gauge
> Approximately 4 sts and 6 rows in 2x2 rib per inch
> (an 8 st x 8 row gauge square would be a good test to measure this)

Sizing
> Gloves ribbed to fit most medium sizes - can be increased an inch in width by adding:
>
> Left hand: [k2, p2] to the end of all odd rows and the start of all even rows
> Right hand: [p2, k2] to the end of all odd rows and start of all even rows

Stitches/Abbreviations (with links to videos if you're having trouble)

     Sts = Stitches

     k = knit

     p = purl

     knit into the back of a st http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DkgTWTnQqaQ

     dec knitwise = knit two sts together http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXb0SsafXQs

     dec purlwise = purl two sts together http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9K9Q6OwbFzc

     dec knitwise tbl = knit two sts together through the back loops
                                http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7TQnQRNWxvg

     dec purlwise tbl = purl two sts together through the back loops
                           http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VPh84pLRmcw
              (vid doesn't show decrease, but just do this is in two sts)

     C8B = slip 4 sts onto cable needle and hold to <u>back</u>, [knit 2, purl 2] from left needle, [knit 2, purl 2] from cable needle

     C8F = slip 4 sts onto cable needle and hold to <u>front</u>, [purl 2, knit 2] from left needle, [purl 2, knit 2] from cable needle

         If you haven't tried cables before it might be good to check out this vid:
              http://www.ehow.com/video_4974149_knit-cable-stitch.html

The Pattern

Left Hand

Cast on 40

rows 1-4) [k2, p2] to end

5) k2, p2, C8B, [k2, p2] to end

6-8) [k2, p2] to end

9) k2, p2, C8B, [k2, p2] to end

10-11) [k2, p2] to end

12) [k2, p2] to end, cast on 11 extra sts for the thumb = 51

13) knit into the back of the new 11 sts, (place marker), k2, p2, C8B [k2, p2] to end

14) [k2, p2] until 2 sts remain, k2, p1

15) k1, p2, dec knitwise tbl, p2, dec knitwise, p2, [k2, p2] end = 49

16) [k2, p2] until marker, [k2, p1] to end

17) [k1, p2] x3, k2, p2, C8B, [k2, p2] to end

18) [k2, p2] to marker, dec knitwise tbl, p1, k2, p1, dec knitwise, p1 = 47

19) k1, p1, k1, p2, k1, p1, [k2, p2] to end

20) [k2, p2] to marker, dec knitwise tbl, k2, dec knitwise, p1 = 45

21) k1, p4, k2, p2, C8B, [k2, p2]x2, C8B, [k2, p2] to end

22) [k2, p2] to marker, dec knitwise tbl, dec knitwise, p1 = 43

23) k1, p2, [k2, p2] to end

24) [k2, p2] to marker, remove marker, dec knitwise, p1 = 42

25) dec knitwise, dec knitwise, p2, [k2, p2] x4, C8B, [k2, p2] to end = 40

26-28) [k2, p2] to end

29) [k2, p2] x5, C8B, [k2, p2] to end
30-32) [k2, p2] to end

33-36) repeat rows 29-32 once more

Cast off loosely leaving a long tail. Put aside with a note that this is the left glove.

Right Hand

Cast on 40
rows 1-4) [p2, k2] to end

5) p2, k2, C8F, [p2, k2] to end
6-8) [p2, k2] to end

9) p2, k2, C8F, [p2, k2] to end
10-11) [p2, k2] to end
12) [p2, k2] to end, cast on 11 extra sts for the thumb = 51

13) knit into the back of the new 11 sts, (place marker), p2, k2, C8F [p2, k2] to end
14) [p2, k2] until 2 sts remain, p2, k1
15) p1, k2, dec purlwise tbl, k2, dec purlwise, k2, [p2, k2] end = 49
16) [p2, k2] until marker, [p2, k1] to end

17) [p1, k2] x3, p2, k2, C8F, [p2, k2] to end
18) [p2, k2] to marker, dec purlwise tbl, k1, p2, k1, dec purlwise, k1 = 47
19) p1, k1, p1, k2, p1, k1, [p2, k2] to end
20) [p2, k2] to marker, dec purlwise tbl, p2, dec purlwise, k1 = 45

21) p1, k4, p2, k2, C8F, [p2, k2]x2, C8F, [p2, k2] to end
22) [p2, k2] to marker, dec purlwise tbl, dec purlwise, k1 = 43
23) p1, k2, [p2, k2] to end
24) [p2, k2] to marker, remove marker, dec purlwise, k1 = 42

25) dec purlwise, dec purlwise, k2, [p2, k2] x4, C8F, [p2, k2] to end = 40
26-28) [p2, k2] to end

29) [p2, k2] x5, C8F, [p2, k2] to end
30-32) [p2, k2] to end

33-36) repeat rows 29-32 once more
Cast off loosely leaving a long tail.

<u>Making the mobius twists</u>

Left Hand

Lay work out as shown with thumb on the right:

Fold up bottom left corner

until bottom left corner has become top left corner

Fold the left half of work <u>under</u> the right along centre line

Pin along seam on the right just to hold it in place while sewing seam

Using long tale from cast off sew up seam, being careful to leave thumbhole open.

Pull glove on putting thumb into thumbhole and making sure the cable runs along the back of your hand (you may need to turn gloves inside-out to get this to look right
Arrange flap on back of hand until it feels comfy

Right Hand

Lay work out as shown with thumb on the left

Fold up bottom right corner

until bottom right corner has become top right corner

Fold right half of work <u>under</u> left half of work along centre line

Pin along seam on the left just to hold it in place while sewing seam

Using long tale from cast off sew up seam, being careful to leave thumbhole open.

Pull glove on putting thumb into thumbhole and making sure the cable runs along the back of your hand (you may need to turn gloves inside-out to get this to look right
Arrange flap on back of hand until it feels comfy

Hope you have enjoyed this pattern!

Please send any photos or questions to
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and attach your ravelry project to
http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/mobius-mitts-v2

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