Bella's Mittens - Knitting Pattern



In the movie version of *Twilight*, Bella's mittens were an instant hit, with people everywhere asking where they can get a pair of their own. Unfortunately, to purchase a pair from the original makers of the mittens, the price is a steep \$70.50 US (http://www.ruthcross.com/)

However, a very talented knitter has created her own version of the pattern, and is offering it for free, for people to use. They look almost exactly the same, and more information can be found on her blog: http://subliminalrabbit.blogspot.com/2008/12/bellasmittens-updated-pattern.html

Here's the pattern, which is apparently not that difficult:

MATERIALS

- Cascade 109 (100% Peruvian Highland Wool; 109yd per 100g ball) in color "Pewter"; 2 skeins
- 1 set US #8 circular needle, 24" or longer
- 1 set US #8 double-pointed needles
- Stitch markers
- Scrap yarn

GAUGE

Stockinette: 16 sts / 24 rows = 4 inches

Horseshoe Cable: 20 sts / 24 rows = 4 inches

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

13 inches long x 3.25 inches wide mid-point

ABBREVIATIONS

6-st LC: 6-stitch left-leaning cable. Slip three stitches to cable needle and hold in front; knit next three stitches; knit three stitches from cable needle.

6-st RC: 6-stitch right-leaning cable. Slip three stitches to cable needle and hold in back; knit next three stitches; knit three stitches from cable needle.

6-st LPC: 6-stitch left-leaning cable. Slip three stitches to cable needle and hold in front; purl next three stitches; knit three stitches from cable needle.

6-st RPC: 6-stitch right-leaning cable. Slip three stitches to cable needle and hold in back; knit next three stitches; purl three stitches from cable needle.

M1R: From the back, lift loop between stitches with left needle, knit into front of loop.

M1L: From the front, lift loop between stitches with left needle, knit into back of loop.

M1: Make one (use your preferred method).

k2tog: Knit two together.

k3tog: Knit three together.

ssk: Slip one stitch knit-wise, then slip the next. Insert left needle into the front loops of the slipped stitches and knit them together from this position (through the back loops).

sssk: Same as ssk except you slip three stitches knit-wise, one after the other.

HORSESHOE CABLE PATTERN (REFERENCE)

Rows 1-6: knit across

Row 7: 6-st LC, 6-st RC

Row 8: knit across

DIRECTIONS

With US #8 circular, cast on 43 stitches and join in the round using the magic loop method.

Arm Length - Both Mittens

Rows 1-6: [p1, k1] x12, p1, k12, [p1, k1] x3

Row 7: [p1, k1] x12, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, [p1, k1] x3

Row 8: [p1, k1] x12, p1, k12, [p1, k1] x3

Row 9: [p1, k1] x11, p1, p2tog, k12, p2tog, [p1, k1] x2

Rows 10-14: [p1, k1] x11, p2, k12, p1, [p1, k1] x2

Row 15: [p1, k1] x11, p2tog, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p2tog, k1, p1, k1

Rows 16-20: [p1, k1] x11, p1, k12, [p1, k1] x2

Row 21: [p1, k1] x10, p1, p2tog, k12, p2tog, p1, k1

Row 22: [p1, k1] x10, p2, k12, p2, k1

Row 23: [p1, k1] x10, p2, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p2, k1

Rows 24-26: [p1, k1] x10, p2, k12, p2, k1

Row 27: [p1, k1] x10, p2tog, k12, p2tog, k1

Rows 28-30: [p1, k1] x10, p1, k12, p1, k1

Row 31: [p1, k1] x10, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1, k1

Row 32: [p1, k1] x10, p1, k12, p1, k1

Row 33: [p1, k1] x9, p1, p2tog, k12, p2tog (33 stitches)

Rows 34-38: [p1, k1] x9, p2, k12, p1

Row 39: [p1, k1] x9, p2tog, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, purl last and first stitch together (31 stitches)

Row 40: The next stitch is now your first stitch. [k1, p1] x9, k12, p1

Now choose either the Left Hand Gusset or Right Hand Gusset directions and continue to Row 41.

Left Hand Gusset

Row 41: k14, place marker, M1R, k1, M1L, place marker, k2, p1, k12, p1

Rows 42&43: k14, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 44: k14, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Rows 45&46: k14, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 47: k14, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k2, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Rows 48&49: k14, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 50: k14, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Rows 51&52: k14, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 53: k14, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Rows 54: k14, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 55: k27, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Row 56: k2, M1, k12, place all stitches between markers on holder, cast on 2 stitches, k2, p1, k12, p1

Move on to Row 57 instructions below.

Right Hand Gusset

Row 41: k2, place marker, M1R, k1, M1L, place marker, k14, p1, k12, p1

Rows 42&43: k2, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Row 44: k2, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Rows 45&46: k2, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Row 47: k2, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k14, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Rows 48&49: k2, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Row 50: k2, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Rows 51&52: k2, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Row 53: k2, sm, M1R, knit all stitches between markers, M1L, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Rows 54: k2, slip marker (sm), knit all stitches between markers, sm, k14, p1, k12, p1

Row 55: k27, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Row 56: k2, place all stitches between markers on holder, cast on 2 stitches, k12, M1, k2, p1, k12, p1

Mitten Top - Both Mitts

Rows 57-62: k19, p1, k12, p1

Row 63: k19, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Rows 64-70: k19, p1, k12, p1

Row 71: k19, p1, 6-st LC, 6-st RC, p1

Rows 72 - 74: k19, p1, k12, p1

Row 75: k2, k2tog, k11, ssk, k2, p1, k12, p1

Row 76: k17, p1, k12, p1

Row 77: k1, k2tog, k11, ssk, k1, p1, k12, p1

Row 78: k15, p1, k12, p1

Row 79: k2tog, k5, k2tog, k4, ssk, p1, 6-st LPC, 6-st RPC, move your final unknit stitch to the beginning of the next row.

Row 80: k2tog, k10, ssk, p1, p2tog, k6, p2tog, move your final unknit stitch to the beginning of the next row.

Row 81: k2tog, k2, sssk, k3tog, k2, ssk, p1, sssk, k3tog, move your final unknit stitch to the beginning of the next row.

Row 82: [k2tog] x3, [ssk] x3

Break your thread leaving a 6" tail and thread it through the remaining 6 live stitches. Cinch and tie off.

Thumb Gusset

Divide your 11 live stitches across three #8 dpns as follows: 4, 4, 3

Row 1: knit across all stitches, pick up 4 stitches in the open gap, and join in the round.

Row 2: knit to last 4 stitches, [k2tog] x2

Rows 3-12: knit

Rows 13&14: [k2tog]; repeat until only 4 stitches are left.

Break your thread leaving a 6" tail and thread it through the remaining 4 live stitches. Cinch and tie off. Weave in all ends, wet block, and enjoy!

