

Symmetrical Braided Gauntlets by Rachel Calado

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This is my first pattern. I'll be adding a pic in the next week. Sadly, I'm without camera right now... enjoy!

1 skein Debbie Bliss Cashmerino Aran (I used the entire skein, so be careful to compare yardage if substituting)

Size 7 dpns (4)

Gauge: 18 sts/4 in.

Right Gauntlet.

Cast on 35 stitches, distributing as follows:

N1: 10

N2: 13

N3: 12

Ribbing: work six rows as follows:

N1 – k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

N2 – p2, k3, p3, k3, p2

N3 – k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Begin cable pattern:

*Needles 1 and 3 are to be knit stockinette throughout.

Needle 2 is as follows:

Row 1 – p2, k9, p2

Row 2 – p2, k9, p2

Row 3 – p2, c6f, k3, p2

Row 4 – p2, k9, p2

Row 5 – p2, k9, p2

Row 6 – p2, k3, c6b, p2

Repeat from * 3 more times (or more if you like longer gauntlets). End with row 6 of cable pattern.

Begin gussett:

Needles 2 & 3 will be worked in the same manner as the cable section.

Needle one will be worked as follows (each line of directions is a row):

K5, m1, k5

Knit

K5, m1, k1, m1, k5

Knit
K5, m1, k3, m1, k5
Knit
K5, m1, k5, m1, k5
Knit
K5, m1, k7, m1, k5
Knit
K5, m1, k9, m1, k5
Knit
K5, m1, k11, m1, k5
Knit

Slip the 13 “new” stitches onto a spare piece of yarn. This will later be the thumb.

Knit the rest of the live stitches for 1 round, again working cable pattern for needle 2.

Work 2 more rows following cable pattern. You should end with the last row as a “row 6”.

Repeat ribbing section.
Bind off loosely in pattern.

Thumb:

Place stitches on needles and remove waste yarn. You’ll be picking up 3 new stitches where the thumb meets the hand. Knit 1 round, then do 6 rounds of k2 p2 rib.
BO loosely.

Left Gauntlet:

Is basically the same as right gauntlet, except you’ll distribute the stitches as follows:
N1: 12
N2: 13
N3: 10

Follow as for Right Gauntlet, switching directions for N1 and N3. You also may want to switch rows 3 and 6 of the cable pattern so the cables will start/finish the opposite way from the right cable.