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# TRADITIONAL NORDIC KINTS

Over 40 Hats, Mittens, Gloves, and Socks



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# **PREFACE**

Winter in the Nordic countries is several months long, dark and cold—so there has always been a need for warm, close-fitting clothing. For that reason, knitting became an important handcraft early on. In the past, the knitted garments themselves were the most important thing, but today it is perhaps the pleasure of knitting that is most meaningful for our well-being.

The traditional Nordic star motif and the many small background motifs were not only treats to the eye, but contributed to making patterns tighter, thicker, and more durable. Many of these patterns became classics and continue to be timelessly attractive, particularly in an era when we look back admiringly at the quality and longevity of classic handcrafts. It's a comfort to be inspired by Grandmother's knitted mittens—to feel an affinity with earlier generations, and to be aware that we are part of a chain of handcrafters propelling tradition and knowledge into the present.

Museums all over Scandinavia have preserved both whole knitted items and remnants that can still dazzle us with their fantastic creativity and wealth of patterns. I've been inspired by these historic pieces and have drafted modern pattern charts for hats, mittens, gloves, and socks from them so they can continue to survive for many more years. This is probably how patterns have always been developed and passed on: knitting a

copy, trying to understand where the pattern fits into knitting tradition, and then showing someone else how to knit it, too, developing and continuing the pattern through time.

Many of us have knitted more than usual during the global pandemic crisis. We've thought about the traditions and historical context of what we create, maybe more than we normally would have. However, traditions consist not only of history, but also rely on what we develop, build on, and pass along to future generations.

I hope to awaken your curiosity about textile history through this book, and perhaps inspire you to get out your family's knitted garments and see what history they have. I also hope you'll take a closer look at all the pattern treasures around us in dresser drawers, old workboxes, and handcraft museums, before moths and overzealous cleaning destroy them. Help keep these valuable traditions alive with newly knitted garments adapted for our modern day.

Johanna

# ABBREVIATIONS AND TECHNIQUES

This section explains the abbreviations in the instructions and describes some of the techniques used in this book. There are many different ways to do the same thing, so if you have a method you prefer to those listed here, use it. There is no right or wrong way, as long as the result is what you intended!

### Abbreviations and terms

BO = bind off (= British cast off)

cm = centimeter(s)

CO = cast on

dbl dec = double decrease: sl 2 knitwise, k1, psso

dpn = double-pointed needles

in = inch(es)

k = knit

k2tog = k 2 together (= 1 st decreased; a right-leaning decrease)

k3tog = k 3 together: sl 1 knitwise, k2tog, psso (= 2 sts decreased)

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LLI}} = \ensuremath{\mathsf{left}}$  lifted increase: k into left side of st below on right ndl

m = meter(s)

mm = millimeter(s)

ndl(s) = needle(s)

p = purl

p2tog = p 2 together (= 1 st decreased)

pm = place marker

psso = pass slipped stitch over

puk = pick up and knit

RLI = right-lifted increase: k into right side of st below

1st st on left ndl

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sl = slip

slm = slip marker

ssk = sl, sl, k: (sl 1 knitwise) 2 times, insert left ndl tbl, k these 2 sts together (a left-leaning decrease)



Backward loop cast-on.

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = stockinette st (= British stocking st)

tbl = through back loops

WS = wrong side

wyb = with yarn behind

wyf = with yarn forward

yd = yard(s)

yo = yarnover

\*-\* = instructions between \* are repeated around or across. If the repeat isn't evenly divided over the round, there will be additional instructions before or after the asterisks which will be worked only once.

Double-pointed needles are numbered from the start of the round: Ndl 1 is the first needle with stitches on it, and Ndl 4 is the last.

#### **CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS**

ch = chain

dc = double crochet (= British treble crochet) sc = single crochet (= British double crochet)

sl st = slip stitch







It's easy to felt wool—everyone's had the experience, at one point or another, of putting a wool garment into water that's too hot, and taking out a garment that's both smaller and more compact than it used to be. At those moments, wool's felting ability doesn't seem so great; but if you want a pair of mittens that resist moisture and are extremely durable, it's quite useful. To control the degree of felting, I recommend you felt by hand. If you're felting mittens, put them on your hands and rub them with warm water and wool-safe soap or shampoo. Knitted stitches with be set slightly by felting, which makes the fabric strong.

Besides wool, there are many other natural fibers from both plants and animals that are an excellent choice for yarn. In this book, wool was primarily used, but yarn of other fiber types is occasionally recommended.

Alpaca wool is a soft, flexible, and fine fiber that comes from a camel relative, the alpaca. The fiber is often long and somewhat more lustrous than sheep's wool, which makes for a pretty fleece. And that lovely fleece is something to long for if you're making a lace shawl—but if your plan is a sturdy pattern-knitted tam, the tam will be slouchy if you make it with alpaca wool, no matter how well it was knitted. For good pattern knitting with alpaca wool, the yarn needs to be loosely spun and tightly knitted so that the pattern will show. Blending sheep and alpaca wool makes a soft, strong yarn that suits the patterns in this book.

# **HOURGLASS**

## Mittens and bat

This mitten-and-hat set will be easy to knit.

With small adjustments in the pattern repeat, you can change the sizing or work with different yarn. To best show off the pattern effect, choose two colors that contrast strongly.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Mittens:** total length 11½ in / 29 cm; thumbhole to mitten tip 6¼ in / 16 cm; hand circumference 8 in / 20.5 cm.

**Hat:** circumference 21½ in / 54 cm; length 9 in / 23 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #1 (fingering/baby) Blacker Black Welsh Mountain 4-ply (190 yd/174 m / 50 g; 16 WPI), black.

CYCA #1 (fingering/baby) Blacker Classic 4-ply (190 yd/174 m / 50 g; 16 WPI), white. **Substitute yarns:** Rauma Finullgarn,

Östergötland Visjögarn, Blacker Elegance or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Mittens: Color 1 (Black), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g. Hat: Color 1 (Black), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g; for the tassel, Color 1 (black), 10g.

#### **NOTIONS**

Smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2 / 2.5 mm: 16 in / 40 cm circular and set of 5 dpn.

#### **GAUGE**

31 sts and 30 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch).

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat = 8 sts and 8 rows.



# SMALL BLOCKS

## Mittens, socks, and hat

This set features a truly classic motif. It's easy to knit even for those inexperienced with two-color stranded knitting because there aren't long floats between the colors. It's also easy to remember the pattern repeat, which is simple with just two colors. This motif looks just as nice in a light color against a dark background.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Mittens:** total length 10% in / 26 cm; thumbhole to tip 5 in / 13 cm; hand circumference 7 in / 18 cm. **Socks:** leg length 5% in / 13 cm; foot length 9% in / 24 cm; foot circumference 8 in / 20 cm. **Hat:** circumference 21% in / 54 cm; length 8% in

#### YARN

/ 22 cm.

**Mittens and hat:** CYCA #2 (sport/baby) Östergötland Visjögarn (328 yd/300 m / 100 g; 16 WPI).

**Socks:** CYCA #1 (sock) Drops Fabel (224 yd/205 m / 50 g; 21 WPI).

**Substitute mitten and hat yarn:** Rauma Finullgarn or Gammelserie, Blacker Elegance, or any yarn that knits to the same gauge. **Substitute sock yarn:** Schachenmayr Regia or any yarn that knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Mittens: Color 1 (White), 50g; Color 2 (Gray), 50g. Socks: Color 1 (White), 50g; Color 2 (Gray), 50g.

**Hat:** Color 1 (White), 40 g; Color 2 (Gray), 40 g; for the tassel, Color 2 (Gray), 10 g.

#### NOTIONS

2 large safety pins or stitch holders; smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2 / 2.5 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in / 40 cm circular.

#### **GAUGE**

Mittens and hat: 31 sts and 32 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Socks: 32 sts and 34 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

**Pattern repeat** of basic motif = 8 sts and 8 rows.



# SUN WHEEL

## Mittens and hat

The sun wheel is a very old motif that is thought of as a traditional pattern from Gotland, though we can't be certain it originated on the island. It's equally effective as a dark motif against a light background.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Mittens:** total length 10% in / 27 cm; thumbhole to tip 5% in / 14 cm; hand circumference 8 in / 20.5 cm. **Hat:** circumference 21% in / 54 cm; length 11% in / 30 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #2 (sport/baby) Östergötland Visjögarn (328 yd/300 m / 100 g).

**Substitute yarns:** Rauma Finullgarn or Gammelserie, Blacker Elegance or Shetland 4-ply, Jamieson's Double Knitting, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

**Mittens:** Color 1 (Red), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g. **Hat:** Color 1 (Red), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g; for the tassel, Color 1 (Red), 10g.

#### **NOTIONS**

2 large safety pins or stitch holder; smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2 / 2.5 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in / 40 cm circular.

#### **GAUGE**

31 sts and 32 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch).

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat = 22 sts and 22 rows.

With a pattern repeat as large as this one, it's more difficult to adjust the sizing using more or fewer repeats without splitting motifs. If you need to change the size, try using yarn of a different weight and/or different needles to get a larger/smaller gauge.

## SUN WHEEL

Mittens

With Color 1 and dpn, CO 60 sts. Divide sts onto 4 dpn and join.

Work garter stitch in the round: Beginning and ending with purl rnds, alternate purl and knit rnds until 5 purl rnds show on RS.

Attach Color 2 and knit 1 rnd, increasing 6 sts around as follows: (k10, CO 1 with backward loop) = 66 sts.

Knit 2 more rnds with Color 2.

Work right mitten following chart for right mitten, and left mitten following chart for left mitten (pages 52-53). Work Rows 1–10 of chart before beginning thumb gusset on Row 11.

**THUMB GUSSET** Work Rows 1–24 of right thumb gusset, following chart for right thumb, and left thumb gusset following chart for left thumb.

Place thumb gusset between stitches as indicated on appropriate chart.

**Tip:** Pm on each side of gusset and work gusset sts between markers.

On Row 35 of chart, place the 12 gusset sts + 8 sts from hand onto safety pins or holder as shown on chart for right/left mitten. CO 8 sts with backward loops over the gap and then continue following mitten chart.

After completing charted rows, cut yarn and draw end through rem sts.

**THUMB** Puk 8 sts in the backward loops over the thumbhole, slide the 20 sts from



# LINE DANCE

## Mittens, hat, and stockings

This set is a real party! You can change the panels to only men or only women if you like. The small background motif makes the knitting more durable, and the doubled hat brim adds an extra layer of warmth.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Mittens:** total length  $11\frac{1}{2}$  in / 29 cm; thumbhole to tip  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in / 14 cm; hand circumference  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in / 19 cm.

Hat: circumference 20½ in / 52 cm; length 9½ in / 24 cm

**Stockings:** leg length 15 in / 38 cm; foot length 9 in / 23 cm; foot circumference 7¾ in / 19.5 cm; cuff circumference 11½ in / 29 cm.

#### **YARN**

**Mittens and hat:** CYCA #2 (sport/baby) Östergötland Visjögarn (328 yd/300 m / 100 g; 16 WPI). **Stockings:** CYCA #1 (sock) Schachenmayr Regia (230 yd/210 m / 50 g; 20 WPI).

Substitute mitten and hat yarn: Rauma Finullgarn or Gammelserie, Blacker Elegance, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge. Substitute stocking yarn: Drops Fabel or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Mittens: Color 1 (White), 60g; Color 2 (Brown), 50g. Hat: Color 1 (White), 60g; Color 2 (Brown), 50g.

Stockings: Color 1 (White), 120g; Color 2 (Brown), 80a.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2 / 2.5 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in / 40 cm circular.

#### **GAUGE**

Mittens and hat: 32 sts and 32 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Stockings: 33 sts and 32 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

#### **NOTIONS**

2 large safety pins or stitch holder; smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

Pattern repeat, line dance = 16 sts and 14 rows. Pattern repeat, background = 4 sts and 2 rows.



# DAMASK

Gloves, collar, and hat

A beautiful, lustrous mohair yarn was chosen for this set for its whiteness. These accessories have a crocheted edging, which can be omitted if you prefer a more "knitted" look. The single-color relief stitch pattern is worked with knit and purl stitches.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Gloves:** total length 11 in / 28 cm; thumbhole to tip 4% in / 12 cm; hand circumference 7 in / 18 cm. **Collar:** width at neck 15 in / 38 cm; length 6% in / 17 cm; lower circumference 32% in / 82 cm. **Hat:** circumference at lower edge: 21% in / 54 cm; length 8% in / 21 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #1 (fingering/baby) Ateljé Norrgården Gårdens 2-ply mohair yarn (393 yd/360 m / 100 g; 18 WPI).

**Substitute yarns:** Rauma Finullgarn or Blacker British Wool & Mohair, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Gloves: 70 g. Collar: 60 g. Hat: 60 g.

#### NOTIONS

10 safety pins or stitch holders; 6 mother-ofpearl buttons, approx. ¼ in / 8 mm in diameter, for collar.

#### **NEEDLES AND CROCHET HOOK**

U.S. size 0 / 2 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in / 40 cm circular. U.S. size A / 2 mm: crochet hook.

#### **GAUGE**

34 sts and 44 rnds in St st =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch).

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat = 6 sts and 21 rows.

## DAMASK Gloves

With dpn, CO 72 sts and divide sts evenly over 4 dpn; join.

Work in pattern, following chart. The pattern repeat is in red.

After completing charted rows, k 5 rnds in St st (10 rnds for a longer glove).

On the next rnd, dec 4 sts evenly spaced around: (k2tog, k16) 4 times = 68 sts rem.

Knit 10 rnds.

On the next rnd, decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around: (k8, k2tog, k7) 4 times = 64 sts rem.

**THUMB GUSSET** Place thumb gusset

for right glove between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> sts on Ndl 1 and, for left glove, between 60<sup>th</sup> and 63<sup>rd</sup> sts on Ndl 4.

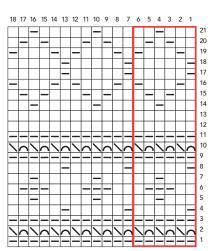
**Tips:** Pm at each side of gusset sts and work gusset within the markers. If you want a longer thumb gusset, increase on every 4<sup>th</sup> rnd, which will make the gusset 11 rows longer.

When there are 24 thumb gusset sts between the markers, place these sts on 2 long safety pins or stitch holder. CO 2 sts with backward loops above gap.

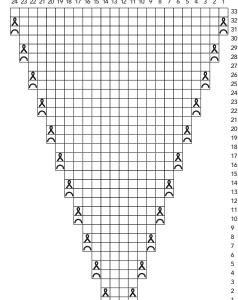


Damask pattern. The repeat is marked with red.

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knit on RS, purl on WS
purl on RS, knit on WS
yarnover
ssk
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# WATER RUNNER

Mittens, hat, and socks

In Estonia, this motif is called "the water runner" and resembles an insect (a water strider). The original mittens have their roots in Finland and are red and white, but they would be pretty in many other color combinations. The fine wavy edging forms cuffs for the mittens, socks, and hat.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

The instructions include two sizes: women's (men's). Measurements and instructions for the men's size are within parentheses.

**Mittens:** total length  $11\frac{1}{2}$  (12¾) in / 29 (32) cm; thumbhole to mitten tip  $5\frac{1}{2}$  (6½) in / 14 (16.5) cm; hand circumference 8 (8) in / 20 (20) cm.

**Hat:** circumference 20½ (22) in / 52 (56) cm; length 8¼ in / 24 (24) cm.

**Socks:** leg length 5½ (6¾) in / 14 (17) cm; foot length 8¾ (10¾) in / 22 (27) cm; foot circumference 8¾ (8¾) in / 22 (22) cm.

#### YARN

**Mittens and hat:** CYCA #0 (lace/light fingering) Design Club DK Duo (591 yd/540 m / 100 g; 21 WPI).

**Socks:** CYCA #1 (sock) Lang Jawoll (459 yd/420 m / 100 g; 21 WPI).

**Substitute mitten and hat yarn:** Geilsk Tynd uld (Fine Wool), Isager Tvinni, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

**Substitute sock yarn:** Schachenmayr Regia, Drops Fabel, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Mittens: Color 1 (Red), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g. Hat: Color 1 (Red), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g. Socks: Color 1 (Red), 50g; Color 2 (White), 50g.

#### **NOTIONS**

Smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 0 / 2 mm: set of 5 dpn, 16 in / 40 cm circular.

#### **GAUGE**

Mittens and hat: 42 sts and 38 rnds in 2-color pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). **Socks:** 38 sts and 38 rows in 2-color pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

**Pattern repeat** = 14 sts and 22 rows for the 2-color pattern; 18 sts and 24 rows for the chevron border.



# SELBU PATTERN

## Gloves and hat

This glove and hat set is based on Selbu mitten patterns. The star's rays on the gloves continue out into the fingers so the vines follow the rays. The crown of the hat sports all the small motifs from the gloves and the pretty star makes a striking border.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Gloves:** total length 9¾ in / 25 cm; thumbhole to tip 5 in / 12.5 cm; hand circumference 8 in / 20 cm. **Hat:** circumference 20½ in / 52 cm; length 9¾ in / 25 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #2 (sport/baby) Östergötland Visjögarn (328 yd/300 m / 100 g; 16WPI).

**Substitute yarns:** Rauma Finullgarn or Gammelserie, Blacker Shetland 4-ply, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

**Gloves:** Color 1 (White), 60g; Color 2 (Black), 40g. **Hat:** Color 1 (White), 60g; Color 2 (Black), 40g.

#### **NOTIONS**

8 large safety pins or stitch holders; smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2/2.5 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in /40 cm circular

#### **GAUGE**

32 sts and 32 rnds in 2-color knitting =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat, star = 31 sts and 31 rows. Pattern repeat, background pattern = 4 sts and 6 rows.



# ENGAGEMENT PATTER N

## Gloves

These are based on an old pair of gloves knitted for an engaged couple. It was common for a bride to knit gloves for her fiancé, and sometimes also for the wedding party. This pattern looks just as good in wool or in cotton.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

The instructions include two sizes: women's (men's). Measurements and instructions for the men's size are within parentheses.

**Gloves:** total length 9½ (10¾) in / 24 (27) cm; thumbhole to glove tip 4¾ (5½) in / 12 (14) cm; hand circumference 8 (8¾) in / 20 (22) cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #1 (fingering/baby) CaMaRose Pima cotton (437 yd/400 m / 100 g, 24 WPI). **Substitute yarns:** Sandnes Mandarin Petit or any yarn which knits to the same gauge. If you prefer wool gloves, I recommend Jamieson's Spindrift, GeilskTynd uld (fine wool), Rauma Røros Lamb's wool (Lamullgarn), or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### **NOTIONS**

10 large safety pins or stitch holders.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Color 1 (White), 75 (80)g; Color 2 (Red), 25 (30)g.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 0 / 2 mm: set of 5 dpn.

#### **GAUGE**

36 sts and 44 rnds in 2-color pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). 32 sts and 44 rnds in St st =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat = 8 sts and 27 rows.

## ENGAGEMENT PATTERN

Gloves



Gloves in women's and men's sizes.

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# WENDELA AND WENDELA BLUE

Gloves, hat, stockings, and half gloves

What is special about this pattern is that purl stitches are used in the pattern color, becoming a design detail in their own right. It is easy to change the sizing by adding or omitting a single-color row between the small pattern motifs.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Wendela

**Gloves:** total length  $11\frac{1}{2}$  in / 29 cm; thumbhole to tip  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in / 13.5 cm; hand circumference  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in / 19 cm.

**Stockings:** leg length 16¼ in / 41 cm, foot length 9 in / 23 cm; foot circumference 8 in / 20 cm; cuff circumference 11¾ in / 30 cm.

Hat: circumference 20½ in / 52 cm; length 9 in / 23 cm.

Wendela Blue

Half gloves: length 8 in / 20 cm; thumbhole to top edge 2½ in / 6 cm; hand circumference 7½ in / 19 cm.

**Stockings:** leg length 17¼ in / 44 cm, foot length 9 in / 23 cm; foot circumference 8 in / 20 cm; cuff circumference 11¾ in / 30 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #1 (sock/fingering/baby) Drops Fabel (224 yd/205 m / 50 g; 21 WPI).

**Substitute yarn:** Schachenmayr Regia, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Wendela

**Gloves:** Color 1 (White), 50 g; Color 2 (Red) 20 g; Color 3 (Blue), 15 g; Color 4 (Yellow), 10 g.

**Stockings:** Color 1, 120 g; Color 2, 35 g; Color 3, 25 g; Color 4, 15 g.

**Hat:** Color 1, 50 g; Color 2, 20 g; Color 3, 15 g; Color 4, 10 g; for pompom, Color 1, 15 g.

Wendela Blue

Half gloves: Color 1 (White), 30 g; Color 2

(Blue), 20 g.

Stockings: Color 1, 120 g; Color 2, 60 g.

#### **NOTIONS**

10 large safety pins or stitch holders.

#### **NEEDLES AND CROCHET HOOK**

U.S. size 1-2/2.5 mm: set of 5 dpn and 16 in /40 cm circular. U.S. size C-2/2.5 mm: crochet hook.

#### **GAUGE**

32 sts and 36 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in  $/ 10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch).

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat, Wendela = 12 sts, 28 rows. Pattern repeat, Wendela Blue = 20 sts, 36 rows. If necessary, end with a partial repeat.



# **MARGITA**

## Gloves and hat

This glove and hat set is named after my mother, and was inspired by a pair of gloves she had when she was a child. The turned-up brim makes the hat extra warm. It's easy to adjust the size by changing the thickness of the yarn and the size of the needles.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Gloves:** total length 11 in / 28 cm; thumbhole to tip 5½ in / 13 cm; hand circumference 7 in / 18 cm.

Hat: circumference 20½ in / 52 cm; length 8¾ in / 22 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #2 (fingering/baby) Visjögarn from Östergötland (328 yd/300 m / 100 g; 16 WPI). **Substitute yarns:** Rauma Finullgarn or Gammelserie, Blacker Shetland 4-ply, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

**Gloves**: Color 1 (Red), 50 g; Color 2 (White), 30 g.

Hat: Color 1 (Red), 70 g; Color 2 (White), 30 g; for pompom, Color 1 (Red), 15 g.

#### **NOTIONS**

10 large safety pins or stitch holders.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 1-2/2.5 mm: 16 in /40 cm circular and set of 5 dpn.

#### **GAUGE**

31 sts and 32 rnds in 2-color knitting =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat, star, gloves = 30 sts and 29 rows. Pattern repeat, star, hat = 27 sts and 27 rows. Pattern repeat, glove hands = 18 sts and 4 rows.



# STRIPES AND VINES

## Mittens and socks

These socks are knitted tightly and are extra strong and firm, just like socks from the "old days." It's easy to change the sizes of the panels by increasing or decreasing the number of single-color rounds between vines. If you are not yet comfortable with two-color stranded knitting, this is a good project to try. The little leaf panel is the only part that has two colors on every row; the rest of the pattern is simply stockinette stripes.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Mittens:** total length 10¾ in / 27 cm; thumbhole to mitten tip 5¼ in / 13 cm; hand circumference 7½ in / 19 cm.

**Socks:** leg length 6 in / 15 cm; foot length 9½ in / 24 cm; foot circumference 8¼ in / 21 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #2 (fingering/baby) Rauma Gammelserie (175 yd/160 m / 50 g, 16 WPI).

**Substitute yarn:** Rauma Finullgarn or any yarn that knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Mittens: Color 1 (Black), 60 g; Color 2 (Red), 40 g; Color 3 (Blue), 10 g.

Socks: Color 1 (Black), 100 g; Color 2 (Red),

40g; Color 3 (Blue), 10g.

#### **NOTIONS**

2 large safety pins or stitch holder; smooth contrast-color scrap yarn.

#### **NEEDLES**

U.S. size 0 / 2 mm: set of 5 dpn.

#### **GAUGE**

32 sts and 38 rnds in pattern =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch).

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

Pattern repeat = 6 sts and 56 rows.

To adjust length, increase or decrease the number of single-color rounds between bands.

## STRIPES AND VINES

Mittens

With Color 1 and dpn, CO 60 sts. Divide sts onto dpn and join.

Work 28 rnds in k1, p1 ribbing.

Beginning on next rnd, continue in St st.

Both mittens are worked following the same chart.

**Right mitten:** Begin thumb gusset with st before 1st st of rnd (marked with green).

**Left mitten:** Begin thumb gusset with st after last st of rnd (marked with white).

**THUMB GUSSET** Make only one thumb gusset on each mitten.

**Right mitten:** Work thumb gusset sts to right of green line on chart. Do not knit sts left of white line.

**Left mitten:** Work thumb gusset sts to left of white line on chart. Do not knit sts right of green line.

**Tip:** Pm at edges of gusset and work gusset sts between markers.

On Row 32 of mitten, place 12 sts of thumb gusset + 7 sts from hand onto 2 safety pins or a holder, as marked on chart for mitten. CO 7 sts with backward loop CO over gap and then continue following charted pattern.

After completing charted rows and top shaping, cut yarn and draw end through rem sts.

**THUMB** With Color 1, puk 7 sts in backward loop CO over thumbhole. Slide the 19 held gusset sts to a needle and then divide these 26 sts onto 3 dpn.

The round for thumb begins at first of picked-up sts above thumbhole.

Knit the 26 thumb sts with Color 1 for 22 rnds or to desired length.

Next rnd: K2tog around.

Knit 1 rnd.

Cut yarn and draw through rem sts.

Make other mitten the same way, placing thumb correctly.

Weave in all ends neatly on WS. Wash mittens in lukewarm water with woolsafe soap. Rinse if necessary. Roll in towel and then lay flat to dry.





Hat

The brim of this hat is worked in entrelac, an exciting technique where you work a small block at a time. This hat is an excellent way to use up leftover yarns. The blocks of entrelac can be knitted with different colors and the rest of the hat can be made with stripes of leftover yarns all the way up.

#### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Circumference 21 in / 53 cm; length 8¾ in / 22 cm, with brim turned up; brim 2½ in / 6 cm.

#### YARN

CYCA #0 (lace/light fingering) Geilsk Tynd uld (314 yd/287 m / 50 g, 21 WPI).

**Substitute yarn:** Design Club DK Duo, Isager Tvinni, or any yarn which knits to the same gauge.

#### YARN AMOUNTS

Color 1 (Light Green), 90g; Color 2 (Dark Green), 20g; for pompom, Color 1 (Light Green), 10g.

#### **NOTIONS**

15 large safety pins or stitch holders.

#### **NEEDLES AND CROCHET HOOK**

U.S. size 0 / 2 mm: 16 in / 40 cm circular and set of 5 dpn. U.S. size A-2 / 2 mm: crochet hook.

#### **GAUGE**

34 sts and 38 rows/rnds in St st =  $4 \times 4$  in /  $10 \times 10$  cm (wet-blocked swatch). Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

The blocks are  $10 \text{ sts } \times 20 \text{ rows}$ . The brim is 15 blocks around with 12 sts picked up in each block. The number of stitches for the crown is a multiple of 10 sts.

# GRETA'S HAT Hat

#### **ENTRELAC**

The brim of the hat is knitted using a technique called "entrelac." Each block is worked separately, back and forth.

The structure begins with a row of half blocks leaning right and knitted with Color 1. Next is a tier of blocks in Color 2, leaning left. Stitches are picked up from the long side of the half blocks and knitted together with the stitches on each half block.

To finish, make another tier of half blocks in Color 1, leaning right.





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