

Evenstar Gloves

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there [she] walked before his eyes in Rivendell,
clad in a mantle of silver and blue, fair as the
twilight in Elven-home

The Tale of Aragorn & Arwen, JRR Tolkien



I needed a project to knit during our Easter Weekend Lord of the Rings Extended Editions Watch-a-Thon and Chrissie needed something to keep her hands warm while weaving in her workshop. This beautiful silvery-blue yarn made me think of starlight and of the Evenstar of her people so I made these fingerless gloves, inspired by Arwen as I imagine her from the book.

Size

to fit my more 'traditionally built' arms (my wrist is 21 cm around). For smaller or larger gloves go up or down 1 or 2 needles sizes. Length to wrist is approx 12 cm.

Materials

- œ Debbie Bliss Cashmerino DK 2 x 50g balls (220 m) (shown in shade 008)
- œ set of 3.25 mm dpns
- œ scrap yarn

Tension

15 stitches & 34 rows to 10 cm in stocking stitch

Abbreviations

K = knit, P = purl, sts = stitches

MC Main Cable

C4B (Cable 4 Back) = slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 stitches from left-hand needle, then knit sts from cable needle

C4F (Cable 4 Front) = slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, knit next 2 stitches from left-hand needle, then knit sts from cable needle

T3B (Twist 3 Back) = slip next st onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 sts from left-hand needle, then purl st from cable needle

T3F (Twist 3 Front) = slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, purl next st from left-hand needle, then knit sts from cable needle

Notes

The thumb is made using Elizabeth Zimmerman's 'thumb trick'. For more information see EZ's *Knitter's Almanac* or photo tutorial at <http://tinyurl.com/yu8w84>

Main Cable

Twisted & Crossed Cable from *The Harmony Guide to Knitting Stitches* (1983)

- Round 1** P2, C4B, P4, C4F, P2
Round 2 P2, K4, P4, K4, P2
Round 3 P1, T3B, T3F, P2, T3B, T3F, P1
Round 4 P1, [K2 P2] 3 times, K2, P1
Round 5 [T3B, P2, T3F] twice
Round 6 K2, P4, K4, P4, K2
Round 7 K2, P4, C4B, P4, K2
Round 8 K2, P4, K4, P4, K2
Round 9 K2, P4, K4, P4, K2
Round 10 K2, P4, K4, P4, K2
Round 11 K2, P4, C4B, P4, K2
Round 12 K2, P4, K4, P4, K2
Round 13 [T3F, P2, T3B] twice
Round 14 P1, [K2 P2] 3 times, K2, P1
Round 15 P1, T3F, T3B, P2, T3F, T3B, P1
Round 16 P2, K4, P4, K4, P2
Round 17 P2, C4B, P4, C4F, P2
Round 18 P2, K4, P4, K4, P2
Round 19 P1, T3B, T3F, P2, T3B, T3F, P1
Round 20 P1, [K2 P2] 3 times, K2, P1
Round 21 P1, [K2, P2] twice, K2, slip last 6 sts worked onto cable needle and wrap yarn 4 times anti-clockwise round these 6 sts, then slip the 6 sts back onto right hand needle, P2, K2, P1
Round 22 P1, [K2 P2] 3 times, K2, P1
Round 23 P1, T3F, T3B, P2, T3F, T3B, P1
Round 24 P2, K4, P4, K4, P2



INSTRUCTIONS: Right Glove

Cast on 48 stitches loosely, distribute evenly on three 3.25 mm dpns, join and work 6 rounds P4 K4 rib

Start cable pattern: arrange stitches so that you have 20 stitches on needle 1 (beginning with a P4), and the remaining 28 stitches distributed over needles 2 & 3

Round 1: *needle 1:* P2, work first round of main cable over next 16 st, P2; *needles 2 & 3:* [C4B, P4] 3 times, C4B
Round 2: *needle 1:* P2, work next round of main cable over next 16 st, P2; *needles 2 & 3:* [K4, P4] 3 times, K4
Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6: as round 2

Repeat these 6 rows (ie cabling the K4s on needles 2 & 3 on the 1st, 7th, 12th and 19th rounds of the main cable pattern) five more times (ending with row 12 of main cable; total main cable rows worked at this point = 24 + 12).

Palm

Palm round 1: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 13); *needles 2 & 3:* [C4B, P4] 3 times, C4B
Palm Round 2: needle 1: work in established pattern; needles 2 & 3: K4 P2 K16 P2 K4
Palm Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6: as palm round 2
Palm Round 7: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 13); *needles 2 & 3:* C4B P2 K16 P2 C4B

Repeat Rounds 2 to 7 twice more (ending with MC row 7).

Thumb opening

Next round: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 8); *needles 2 & 3:* k2, then use scrap yarn to work the next 8 stitches in established pattern and then slip these 8 stitches back onto the left needle and work them again in established pattern using the working yarn; continue in established pattern to end of round.

Work in established pattern for 16 more rows, ending with MC row 24.

Next round: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 1); *needles 2 & 3:* [C4B P4]

Next round: [P4 K4] repeat to end of round

Work a further 5 rows in P4 K4 rib. Cast off loosely in rib.

Make thumb

Remove waste yarn. Starting at the palm side, pick up and knit 7 stitches across the top, then pick up and knit 1 stitch at the 'corner' (twist this to avoid a hole forming), then pick up and knit 8 stitches across the bottom, then pick up and knit 1 stitch at the corner (twist this to avoid a hole forming) - 17 stitches. Knit 10 rounds, cast off loosely.

Left Glove

Work as for right glove to start of palm

Palm

Palm round 1: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 13); *needles 2 & 3:* [C4F, P4] 3 times, C4F
Palm Round 2: needle 1: work in established pattern; needles 2 & 3: K4 P2 K16 P2 K4
Palm Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6: as palm round 2
Palm Round 7: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (main cable row 13); *needles 2 & 3:* C4F P2 K16 P2 C4F

Repeat Rounds 2 to 7 twice more (ending with MC row 7).

Thumb opening

Next round: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 8); *needles 2 & 3:* work 18 stitches in established pattern, then use scrap yarn to work the next 8 stitches in established pattern and then slip these 8 stitches back onto the left needle and work them again in established pattern using the working yarn; continue in established pattern to end of round.

Work in established pattern for 16 more rows, ending with MC row 24.

Next round: *needle 1:* work in established pattern (MC row 1); *needles 2 & 3:* [C4F P4]

Next round: [P4 K4] repeat to end of round

Work a further 5 rows in P4 K4 rib. Cast off loosely in rib.

Make thumb

Remove waste yarn. Starting at the palm side, pick up and knit 8 stitches from across the bottom, then pick up and knit 1 stitch at the 'corner' (twist this to avoid a hole forming), then pick up and knit 7 stitches across the top, then pick up and knit 1 stitch at the corner (twist this to avoid a hole forming) - 17 stitches. Knit 10 rounds, cast off loosely, remove waste yarn.

Weave in all ends, block according to ball band instructions, enjoy.

