

# 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 books.

## 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

- ☞ Debbie Bliss Cashmerino DK 2 x 50g balls (220 m) (shown in shade 008); uses approx 1
- ☞ set of 3.25 mm dpns
- ☞ oddments of scrap yarn

## Tension

- ☞ 22 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 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 19); *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 **except** work the cables on needles 2 & 3 as **C4F** instead of C4B.

### 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 19); *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 yarn instructions, enjoy.

