

Swirling Gauntlets

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These gauntlets are extremely simple and quick to knit and will make a good first project for a knitter new to cables. The cable pattern may seem rather daunting; however, all the cable crossings are formed identically making the actual knitting quite easy. Working the cables in opposite directions on the gauntlets results in a lovely mirroring effect; therefore, a separate chart is included for each hand.

Please note that besides the traditional circular method of knitting it is possible to knit these gauntlets flat and the charts include stitches used only for the seaming of the flat pieces. These extra stitches are clearly marked and should not be knitted when working circularly. The ribbed pattern is very stretchy and will accommodate most women's hands; however, it can also be easily scaled up by using thicker yarn and needles or adding a few more stitches in 2x2 rib.

Finished Size: One Size

Yarn: Any DK weight yarn; approximately 150 yards

Gauge: 22 sts / 30 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch

Needles: Size 5 / 3.75 mm double-point or circular needles for 2-circls method or Magic Loop; or straight needles if flat knitting is preferred

Notions: Cable needle, stitch marker, yarn needle

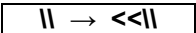
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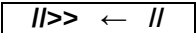
Cast on 52 sts for circular knitting (54 sts for flat knitting); divide sts evenly among the needles if using dpns; join, placing marker at the starting point, work in k2, p2 rib for 1½ inches. Beginning with the next round (if knitting flat this would be a right side row) start working the cable pattern. When working the thumb opening be careful to keep the stitches from getting too tight. After completing the chart continue the 2x2 rib for another 1¼ inches. Cast off loosely enough for the edge to remain stretchy and comfortable during wear.

Finishing

Seam flat pieces only using a mattress stitch carefully matching rows to maintain the 2x2 rib pattern; weave in all loose ends.

Stitch Key

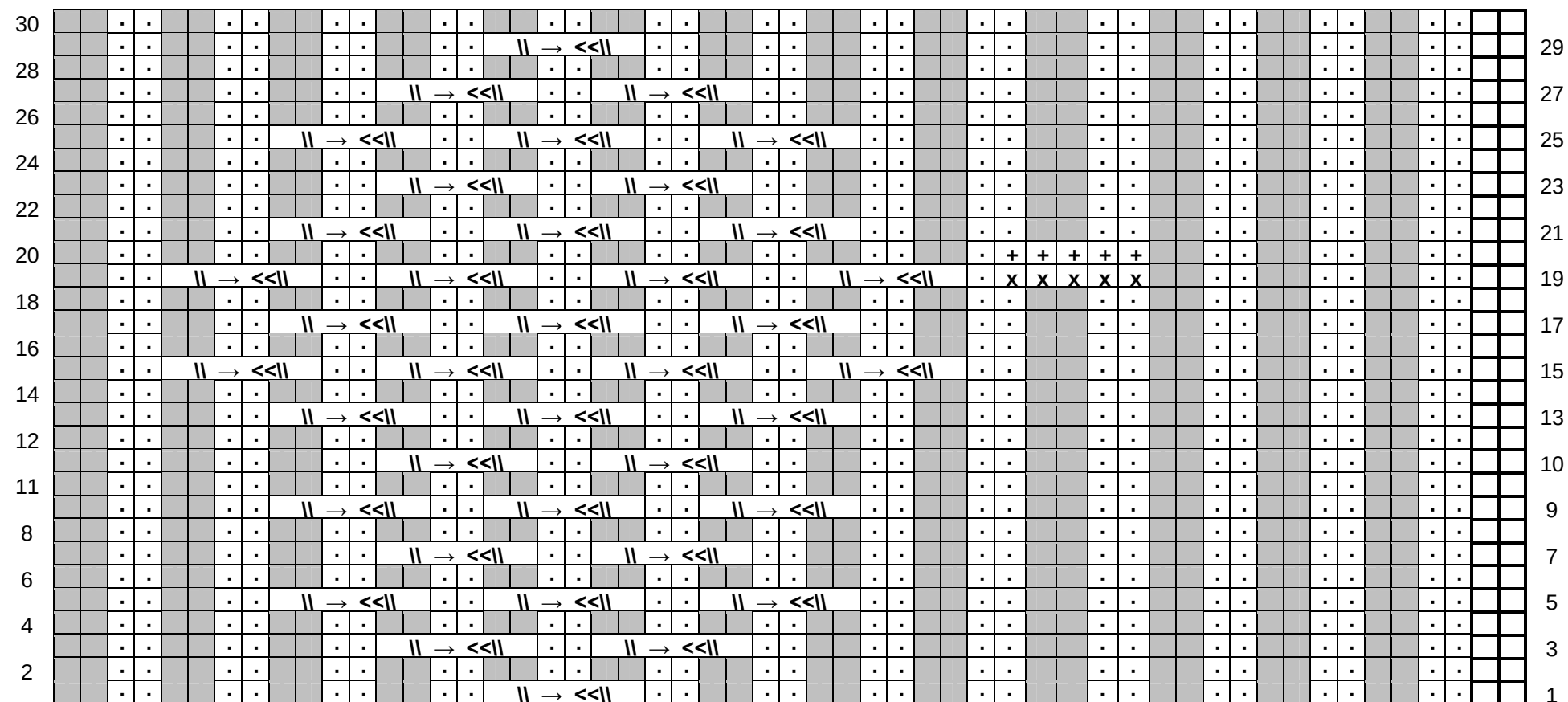
 6-st RPC Sl 4 sts to cn, hold to back, k2, then p2, k2 from cn

 6-st LPC Sl 2 sts to cn, hold to front, k2, p2, then k2 from cn

 k RS, p WS  cast off  sts required only for flat knitting

 p RS, k WS  cast on

Left Gauntlet



Right Gauntlet

