## **Albuquerque Fingerless Gloves**

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This pattern is written for 1 long circular needle (magic loop method) but is easily worked on DPNs. I suggest DPNs for the thumb. There are separate charts for the right and left glove for easier knitting. To make finishing less painful, weave in ends as you go by twisting/wrapping the last yarn for 10-15 sts on the new row. I join a new color 10-15 sts early (the row before it appears on the chart) and carry it along, twisting/wrapping it every other st. This helps eliminate holes at the sides. The exact yardage of yarn is unknown, but the all colors need less than 1 ball, the A colors less than 1/2.

I recommend marking the increases for the thumb with two stitch markers: place the first one before the first YO and the second one after the second YO **on the first increase row**. Slip the markers every row after this; it will make it easier to know which stitches to put on the scrap yarn.

You may notice that the geometric patterns don't quite match up at the sides- the patterns were perfect but wouldn't fit perfectly, so I fudged. The break in the pattern is hardly noticeable on the finished glove. The gloves are meant to be snug, but not too tight, so be aware of the tension.

These gloves can be knitted from the charts alone, but I have written out the instructions for rows with increases, decreases, or other things that need attention. If there are no written instructions for a row, follow the chart until the next written row.

*Increases:* Use a yarn over for increases. On the next row, knit the YO through the back loop to twist the stitch and eliminate the hole.



**Needles:** Size 1 long circular or DPNs

Yarn: KnitPicks Palette
A1 Garnet, 1 ball
A2 Salsa, 1 ball
A3 Golden, 1 ball
B1 Sky, 1 ball
B2 Pool, 1 ball

Notions: Scrap yarn, stitch

B3 Blue Note, 1 ball

markers

Gauge: 9sts/in, 10rows/in Finished Size: Women's

Small/Medium



## Hand:

CO 54 sts loosely in B2 (Pool.)

Work **K1 P1 Rib** for **12 rows**.

Switch to B3 (Blue Note.)

**Round 1:** K2, yo, \*k7, yo\* 7 times, k3. *8 sts* 

increased. 62 sts.

Divide sts so that Needle 1 has 32 sts and Needle 2 has 30 sts.

Work Left Chart until Round 13 is completed.

Round 14: Knit in pattern to the end of Needle 1. Place first marker and make YO increase in color on chart. On Needle 2, make YO increase in color on chart, place second marker and continue knitting in pattern.

Follow *Left Chart,* making YO increases in colors shown on chart every third row, until 18 sts have been increased. 80 sts.

**Round 40:** Knit in pattern to first thumb marker. Slide thumb sts (careful with the 2 YOs) onto waste yarn or a stitch holder. CO 2 sts in the gap in B1 (Sky) using backwards loop method, one st on each needle, knit to end of Needle 2 in pattern. *2 sts increased. 64 sts.* 

**Round 43:** Knit to 2 sts before the end of Needle 1 in pattern, ssk. On Needle 2, k2tog, knit to the end in pattern. 2 sts decreased. 62 sts.

Work chart until **Round 55** is completed.

**Round 56:** K3, \*k2tog, k6\* 7 times, k2tog. 8 sts decreased. 54 sts.

Switch to B2 (Pool.)

Work K1 P1 Rib for 5 rounds.

Cast off with medium tension.

## Thumb:

Return held sts to needles. DPNs are recommended here.

Join B2 (Pool,) leaving a long tail, to the palm side of the thumb. Using working yarn and tail held together, pull up a loop in one st in the corner between needle and earlier cast on sts, pull up a loop in each of the 2 cast on sts across the gap and 1 more loop in the other corner. *4 sts increased*. Knit across remaining sts, knitting the 2 YOs through the back loops. *22 sts*.

**Round 2:** \*k4, k2tog, k3, k2tog\* twice. *4 sts decreased.* 18 sts.

Work 8 rows K1 P1 Rib. Cast off loosely.

For the right glove: Work *Right Chart*, with 32 sts on Needle 1 and 30 sts on Needle 2. All instructions are the same.

