

Birdwatching Mittens



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Size: 7.2" wide x 7" long, not including 3" cuff. (It is important to get gauge to get the stated size.)
(I have also included charts to make a 7.5" long mitten and a longer thumb.)

Gauge: 10 stitches and 12 rows per inch (It is important to get gauge to get the stated size.)

Supplies:

- 325yds/71g fingering weight yarn, 195 yds/42g for MC, 130yds/28g for CC, scrap black for bird's eye. I used Knit Picks Palette in Hazelnut (MC), 56yds/12g Turmeric, 37yds/8g Masala, and 37yds/8g Pimento. (Amounts are based on making the longer mittens.)
- Four size 1 double-pointed needles or size needed to get gauge
- Three stitch makers
- Scrap fingering yarn
- Tapestry needle

Abbreviations:

k – knit

p – purl

ssk – slip, slip, knit

k2tog – knit two stitches together

m1 – make one stitch, direction doesn't matter

m1l – make one stitch left

m1r – make one stitch right

pm – place marker

sm – slip marker

Follow the written pattern for shaping and the chart for color work.

Cuff:

Cast on 70 stitches. Divide between three needles and join together to knit in the round. Place a stitch marker between the last and first stitch to mark rows.

Row 1 – 8: (k, p) until end of row

Row 9 – 35: k

Hand and thumb gusset:

Row 36: k23, m1, k24, m1, k23, m1 (73 stitches)

Row 37: k36, pm, m1r, k1, ml1, pm, k36 (75 stitches)

Row 38: k

Row 39: k36, sm, m1r, k3, m1l, sm, k36 (77 stitches)

Row 40: k

Row 41: k36, sm, m1r, k5, m1l, sm, k36 (79 stitches)

Row 42: k

Row 43: k36, sm, m1r, k7, m1l, sm, k36 (81 stitches)

Row 44: k

Row 45: k36, sm, m1r, k9, m1l, sm, k36 (83 stitches)

Row 46: k
 Row 47: k36, sm, m1r, k11, m1l, sm, k36 (85 stitches)
 Row 48: k
 Row 49: k36, sm, m1r, k13, m1l, sm, k36 (87 stitches)
 Row 50: k
 Row 51: k36, sm, m1r, k15, m1l, sm, k36 (89 stitches)
 Row 52: k
 Row 53: k36, sm, m1r, k17, m1l, sm, k36 (91 stitches)
 Row 54: k
 Row 55: k36, sm, m1r, k19, m1l, sm, k36 (93 stitches)
 Row 56: k
 Row 57: k36, sm, m1r, k21, m1l, sm, k36 (95 stitches)
 Row 58: k
 Row 59: k36, sm, m1r, k23, m1l, sm, k36 (97 stitches) Make sure to start color work on the thumb on this row.
 Row 60 – 61: k
 Row 62: k36, sm, m1r, k25, m1l, sm, k36 (99 stitches)
 Row 63 – 64: k
 Row 65: k36, sm, m1r, k27, m1l, sm, k36 (101 stitches)
 Row 66 – 68: k
 Row 69: k36, remove marker, place 29 stitches on scrap yarn, remove marker, cast on 1 stitch, k36 (73 stitches on the needles, 29 stitches on scrap yarn)
 Row 70: k35, k2tog, k36 (72 stitches)

7" long version:

Row 71 – 103: k
 Row 104: ssk, k32, k2tog, ssk, k32, k2tog (68 stitches)
 Row 105 – 106: k
 Row 107: ssk, k30, k2tog, ssk, k30, k2tog (64 stitches)
 Row 108 – 109: k
 Row 110: ssk, k28, k2tog, ssk, k28, k2tog (60 stitches)
 Row 111: k
 Row 112: ssk, k26, k2tog, ssk, k26, k2tog (56 stitches)
 Row 113: ssk, k24, k2tog, ssk, k24, k2tog (52 stitches)
 Row 114: ssk, k22, k2tog, ssk, k22, k2tog (48 stitches)
 Row 115: ssk, k20, k2tog, ssk, k20, k2tog (44 stitches)
 Row 116: ssk, k18, k2tog, ssk, k18, k2tog (40 stitches)
 Row 117: ssk, k16, k2tog, ssk, k16, k2tog (46 stitches)
 Row 118: ssk, k14, k2tog, ssk, k14, k2tog (42 stitches)
 Row 119: ssk, k12, k2tog, ssk, k12, k2tog (38 stitches)

Put front 14 stitches on one needles and back 14 on another. Seam together using Kitchener stitch.

7.5" long version:

Row 71 – 107: k
 Row 108: ssk, k32, k2tog, ssk, k32, k2tog (68 stitches)
 Row 109: k
 Row 110: ssk, k30, k2tog, ssk, k30, k2tog (64 stitches)

Row 111: k
Row 112: ssk, k28, k2tog, ssk, k28, k2tog (60 stitches)
Row 113: k
Row 114: ssk, k26, k2tog, ssk, k26, k2tog (56 stitches)
Row 115: ssk, k24, k2tog, ssk, k24, k2tog (52 stitches)
Row 116: ssk, k22, k2tog, ssk, k22, k2tog (48 stitches)
Row 117: ssk, k20, k2tog, ssk, k20, k2tog (44 stitches)
Row 118: ssk, k18, k2tog, ssk, k18, k2tog (40 stitches)
Row 119: ssk, k16, k2tog, ssk, k16, k2tog (36 stitches)
Row 120: ssk, k14, k2tog, ssk, k14, k2tog (32 stitches)
Row 121: ssk, k12, k2tog, ssk, k12, k2tog (28 stitches)
Row 122: ssk, k10, k2tog, ssk, k10, k2tog (24 stitches)
Row 123: ssk, k8, k2tog, ssk, k8, k2tog (20 stitches)
Row 124: ssk, k6, k2tog, ssk, k6, k2tog (16 stitches)

Put front 8 stitches on one needle and back 8 on another. Seam together using Kitchener stitch.

Thumb:

Put the 29 stitches on the scrap yarn on three needles. Join together to knit in the round . Place a stitch marker between the first and last stitch to mark rows.

2" version:

Row 69: k29, pick up two stitches from the hand of the mitten and knit them together (30 stitches)
Row 70 – 87: k
Row 88: ssk, k11, k2tog, ssk, k11, k2tog (26 stitches)
Row 89: k
Row 90: ssk, k9, k2tog, ssk, k9, k2tog (22 stitches)
Row 91: ssk, k7, k2tog, ssk, k7, k2tog (18 stitches)
Row 92: ssk, k5, k2tog, ssk, k5, k2tog (14 stitches)
Row 93: ssk, k3, k2tog, ssk, k3, k2tog (10 stitches)

2.5" version:

Row 69: k29, pick up two stitches from the hand of the mitten and knit them together (30 stitches)
Row 70 – 94: k
Row 95: ssk, k11, k2tog, ssk, k11, k2tog (26 stitches)
Row 96: k
Row 97: ssk, k9, k2tog, ssk, k9, k2tog (22 stitches)
Row 98: ssk, k7, k2tog, ssk, k7, k2tog (18 stitches)
Row 99: ssk, k5, k2tog, ssk, k5, k2tog (14 stitches)
Row 100: ssk, k3, k2tog, ssk, k3, k2tog (10 stitches)

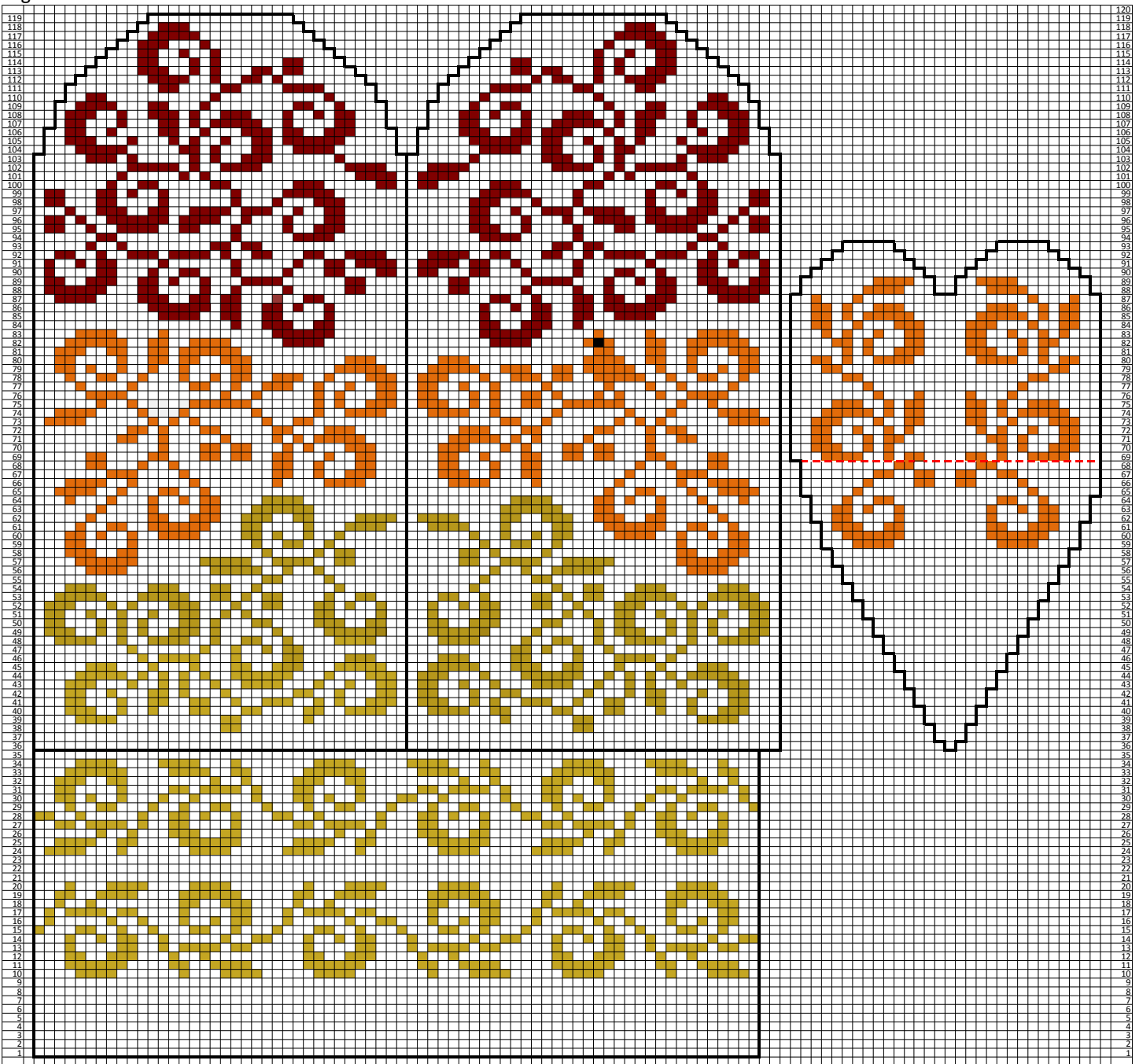
Put front 5 stitches on one needle and back 5 on another. Seam together using Kitchener stitch.
Use duplicate stitch to add an eye and beak to the birds if desired. Weave in ends and block.

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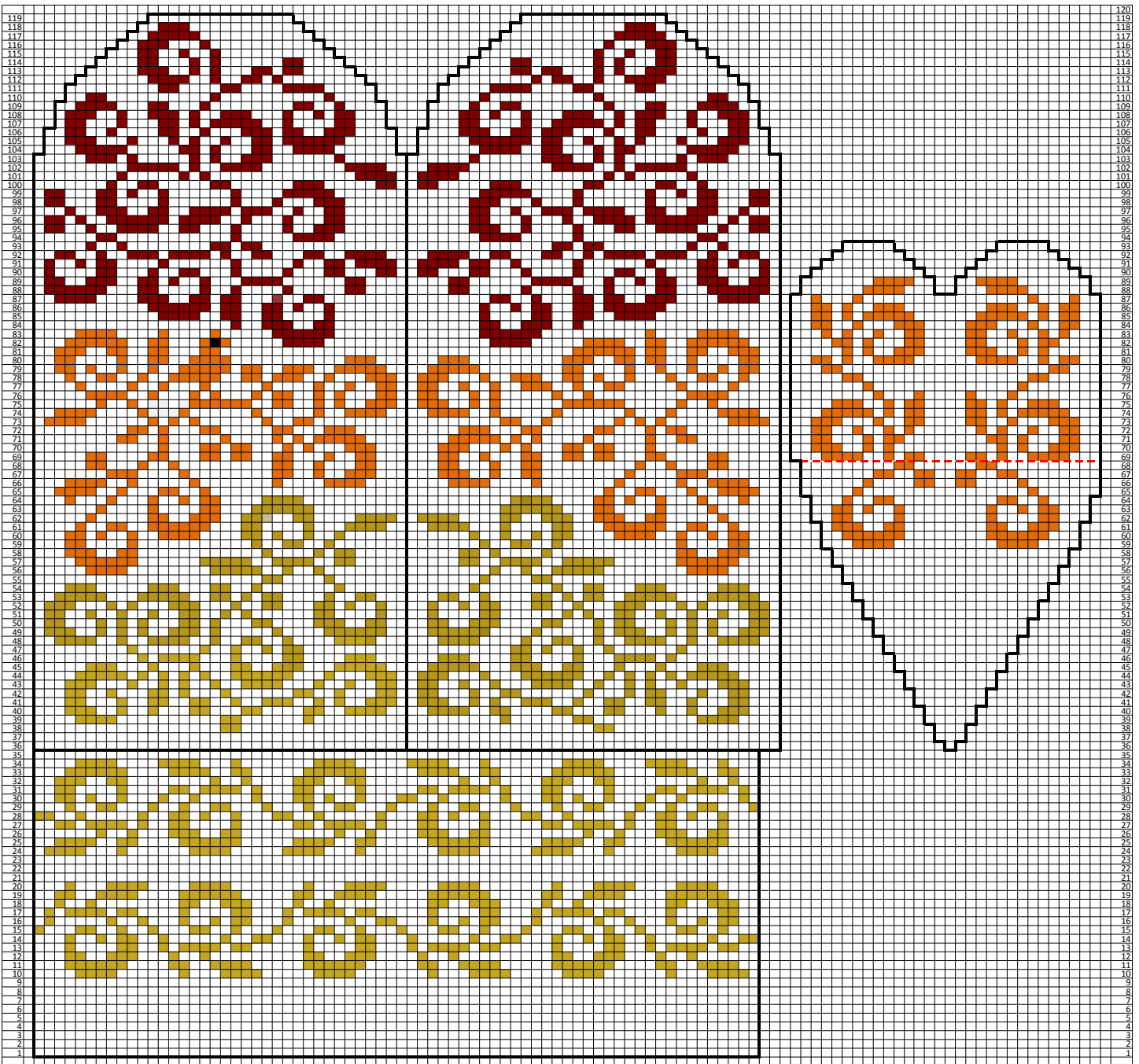


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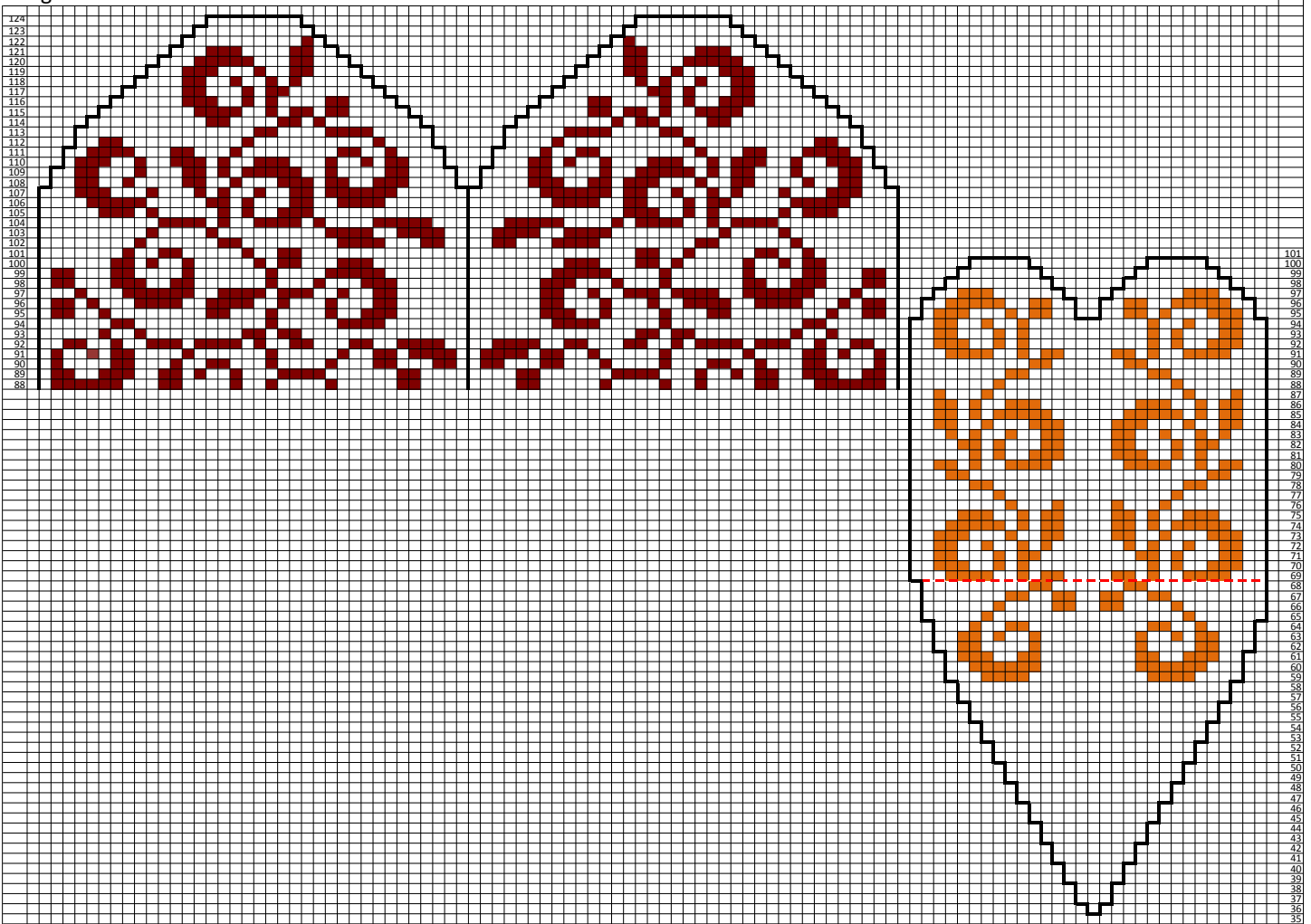
Left Hand



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