

# ASTA GLOVES

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When I'm doing something a lot, I tend to think about it while I'm half-asleep. I've been doing stuff like playing computer games, composing music, planning lessons, knitting, and designing in my head. Ideas seem to come easier to me in that state. One night, some months ago, I dreamt up red and black gloves that looked a bit like these.



When I heard the Fingerless Glove Fanatics group on Ravelry were looking for hosts for their monthly knit-a-longs, it was the push I needed to bring these gloves to life. The starting date for my knit-a-long fell on the day before my cousin Asta's confirmation, and she loves both fingerless gloves and the colors red and black. The gloves I test knit and the naming of this pattern are my gifts to her.

## Materials:

- Fingering weight yarn in two contrasting colors, 50g of each (you'll get lots of yarn left over, so this is a great way to use those skeins you've used a few yards of). I used Dalegarn Daletta in colors 0090 black and 4137 red, but any wool/alpaca/similar will do.
- US 2½ / 3mm dpns or size needed to get gauge.
- 2 stitch markers.
- Waste yarn for thumb.

**Gauge:** 10cm/4" = 27 sts (stockinette in one color)

## Cuff:

CO 48 sts in MC, join in the round, being careful not to twist. Work 10 rounds of twisted rib: (P1, K1tbl, P1) to end.

## Body:

Start working the chart (attach CC after two sts). You'll be working the chart from the bottom up, from right to left over the first half of stitches, then the same row from left to right over the second half. Make sure you let enough yarn hang at the back of the work between each color change, otherwise the gloves will end up too small. After four rows, start the thumb gusset:

## Thumb gusset (starts on row 5 of body):

Work the first half of the stitches, then PM, M1, PM. The stitch you make is the one that is set apart from the others in the chart, to mark that it occurs between the two halves of stitches, and is not

