



KATRIN MITTENS - WINTER EDITION

Katrin Mittens - Winter Edition is unisex pair of mittens perfect for winter. The mittens are knitted with a classic Faroese pattern and can be knitted in three different sizes: S (M) and L. **Note:** The mittens are knitted in alpaka/wool which makes the mittens felt and shrink in use. The mittens are the winter version of its predecessor, [Katrin Mittens](#) and is knitted with thicker yarn and on bigger knitting needles which makes them extra warm.

Sizes: S (M) L

Total length (without ribbing): 20 (23) 25,5 cm

Width: 10,5 (10,5) 11 cm

Gauge (before wash and blocking): 28 m x 26 rows in Fair Isle pattern on 3,5 mm / U.S. 4 needles = 10 x 10 cm

Recommended needles: 3,5 mm [U.S. 4] circular needles (at least 60 cm if you use the magic loop technique) or 3,5 mm [U.S. 4] double pointed needles.

Material suggestions: 110 (120) 130 g Peruvian by Filcolana (50 g = 100 m)

or Merino+ by Lang Yarns (50 g = 100 m)

or 110 (120) 130 g Lamauld by CaMaRose (50 g = 100 m)

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or 110 (120) 130 g Peer Gynt by Sandnes Garn (50 g = 100 m)

50 (50) 60 g af Peruvian for the main color and 60 (70) 70 g Peruvian for the contrast color and ribbing.

ABBREVIATIONS

st(s) = stitch(es)

p = purl

PM = place marker

CC = CC

edge-st = edgestitch (the stitch in the CC on each side of the mitten)

r = row/rows

inc = increase

k1 = knit one stitch

M = stitch marker

k = knit

* _ * = repeat from * to *

MC = main color

TECHNIQUES

Increases

Inc leaning left, knit (M1L): insert the left needle under the strand to the left of the st from the front, knit this strand through the back loop (the increase is leaning to the left).

Inc leaning right, knit (M1R): insert the left needle under the strand to the right of the st from the back, knit this strand through the front loop (the increase is leaning to the right).

Decreases

Knit 2 together (k2tog): insert the needle into 2 sts and knit them together (decrease leans to the right).

Knit 2 together through the back loop (k2tog tbl): insert the needle into 2 sts and knit them together through the back loop (decrease leans to the left).

Dominant color in Fair Isle

The dominant color is the color which will be the most prominent, and is closest to your work (dark grey (CC) in the fair isle patterns, while the MC is light grey). The CC is usually the dominant color. I usually knit with the dominant color in my left hand and the MC in my right hand, and not holding both yarn in one hand (as the person does in the guiding videos). You can also let go of one of the yarn and pick up the other one. There are plenty of ways to knit with a dominant color.

4 tips for Fair Isle

1. If you choose to work with different colors than the Fair Isle chart, I can recommend coloring the pattern by hand in your colorwork. This way you can follow your own chart.
2. PM before and after the last edge-st, where the inc for the thumb will be done, so you know where to work Fair Isle and where to work stripes and inc.
3. Make sure to work the first row with the Fair Isle pattern just like the chart, as the rest of the pattern otherwise will not fit when working the following rows.

VIDEOS

Links for guiding videos (yarn is held in the left hand)

Magic loop technique: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1mqlqRdJc68&t=123s>

M1R: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsJndA4LzR8>

M1L: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsJndA4LzR8>

k2tog: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lx8BySRLIAE>

k2tog-tbl: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXBiWdbxmMk>

Dominant color and Fair Isle: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wdTM4ngvcRU>

video 1: Cast on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SXA3gBNiSiM&t=196s>

video 7: Avoiding holes by the thumb <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oBko4ERD9Ek>

video 8: Weave in the ends <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v-p4qsiyuI8>

Guiding videos made by Knitliddt specifically for fairisle mittens (yarn in the right hand and Danish audio)

video 2: M1R and M1L for the thumb <https://youtu.be/1WuUmlx60U8>

video 3: Put sts on hold and cast on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3TCG4VSyHQ>

video 4: k2tog and k2tog-tbl <https://youtu.be/nTNJLXvDiHk>

video 5: Casting off the mitten <https://youtu.be/lpGXqCCw6js>

video 6: The thumb <https://youtu.be/LbYKkG-ZK2k>

PATTERN

Left mitten

Cast on 48 (45) 48 sts in MC on 3,5 mm double pointed needles or a circular needle (at least 60 cm) ([video 1](#)). PM to mark the beginning of the r. Work the rib in the round: k2, p1. Repeat until your work measures 7 (7) 7,5 cm or until preferred length.

Work 1 r in MC and M1R 4 (4) 5 times distributed equally, until you reach 52 (52) 56 sts in total.

Use the Fair Isle chart 2A (3A) 4A: The round starts from right to left by the 1st st in the Fair Isle charts (**White boxes should not be knitted**).

Work 1 r of chart 2A (3A) 4A and PM before and after the 25th (25th) 27th st in the Fair Isle chart (the 23rd (23rd) 25th st on the needle) to mark inc for the thumb as follows: Knit 20 (20) 22 sts according to fair isle pattern, PM, k1 in CC, PM, knit according to fair isle pattern to the end of r.

On the 2nd r, continue working according to charts 2A (3A) 4A and 1A (1B) 1C **simultaneously**: make 1 inc on each side of the 25th (25th) 27th st in the chart (the 23rd (23rd) 25th on the needle) with the MC yarn: knit 22 (22) 24 sts according to pattern, move M1, M1R, K1, M1L, move M2, knit the rest of the r according to pattern ([video 2](#)). Continue increasing on every other r alternating by CC and MC according to chart 1A (1B) 1C.

The pattern for the thumb is striped (as described in charts 1A (1B) 1C for the thumb). Work a total of 17 (20) 23 r in Fair Isle with inc for the thumb on every 2nd r until there are 19 (21) 23 sts for the thumb.

On the 18th (22nd) 24th r work in Fair Isle pattern until the 3 edge-sts of the inside of the mitten, and the 17 (19) 21 sts are put on hold for the thumb (these sts will be picked up later). Now cast on 5 sts so they fit the striped thumb pattern by doing the following for size S (M) L: Cast on 5 sts, alternating between CC, MC, CC, MC and CC (CC, MC etc.) MC, CC etc. and work to the end of the row in fair isle pattern ([video 3](#)).

On the 19th (22nd) 25th: Continue working in fair isle according to fairisle chart 2A (3A) 4A on the next r also over the 5 cast on sts and the 3 edge-st (these 8 sts will be the 4th diamond on the inside of the mitten). The fair isle pattern for S (M) L is as follows:

- 1) Main, contrast, main over the 3 edge-sts and main, main, contrast, main, main over the 5 cast on sts
- 2) (Main, main, contrast over the 3 edge-sts and main, contrast, main, main, contrast over the 5 cast on sts)
- 3) Main, main, contrast over the 3 edge-sts and contrast, contrast, main, main, contrast over 5 cast on sts.

Consider coloring the pattern yourself to make it easier to see.

Work another 23 (28) 33 r in fairisle.

On the 42nd (50th) 58th r, make decreases on both sides of the mitten by the outer edge-sts: *K1, k2tog-tbl, work in fairisle until 1 st before the edge-st, k2tog, K1, k2tog-tbl, work in fairisle 1 st before the last edge-st and k2tog* ([video 4](#)). Repeat from *_* until there 8 sts left. Cut the yarn and make sure to leave 10 cm of both yarn.

Consider placing 1 st marker on each of the CC sts that are across from each other to put them on hold (they will be picked up later). With 3,5 mm needles cast off all the sts between the 2 CC edge-sts with CC yarn, tightening afterwards. Knit the two CC edge-sts together, and pull the yarn through, casting it off on top of the other sts ([video 5](#)).

Thumb

Pick up the 19 (21) 23 sts, you previously put sts on hold, on 3,5 mm double pointed needles and pick up the additional 5 sts that were cast on (= 24 (26) 28 sts in total) ([video 6](#)).

Tip to avoid hole at thumb: ([video 7](#)). Pick up 1 st on each side of the 5 picked up sts (2 extra sts all together besides the 5 picked up sts = 26 (28) 30 in total). Knit the first picked up st together with the st picked up on the end of the left side of the beginning of round and knit the second picked up

stitch together with the picked up st at the end of the round on the right side of round so the number of sts is 24 (26) 28 again.

Continue in stockinette stitch over the 5 cast on sts and make sure the color you start working with corresponds with Fair Isle chart 1A (1B) 1C. Work 10 (10,5) 11 cm stockinette stitch corresponding with Fair Isle chart 1A (1B) 1C measured from the first r with fair isle pattern or until preferred length. Try on the mitten to determine how long the thumb should be.

Work more than 1 r alternating between the MC and CC yarn by k2tog and k2tog-tbl, until there are 8 (8) 10 sts left. Cast off the same way as the tip of the mitten.

Right mitten

The right mitten is worked like the left mitten but the pattern is mirrored. Follow the instruction for the left mitten with diagram 2B (3B) 4B and 1A (1B) 1C.

Work the rib the same way as the left mitten.

Work 1 r of the Fair Isle charts 2B (3B) 4B and PM before and after the 5th (5th) 7th st in the Fair Isle charts 2B (3B) 4B (the 3rd (3rd) 5th st on the needle) to mark increases for the thumb as follows: Knit 2 sts according to fair isle pattern, PM, k1 in CC, PM, knit according to fair isle pattern to the end of r.

Weave in all the ends ([video 8](#)).

FAIR ISLE CHARTS

- **White boxes** in the Fair Isle charts **should not be knitted**.
- The round starts from right to left by the 1st st in the Fair Isle charts (the middle st om the 3 (3) 5 first edge-sts).
- There are 10 (10) 12 edge-sts in total until the sts for the thumb have been put to rest, then the number of edge-sts are 6 (6) 9.
- The last edge-st is the 56th (56th) 60th st in the Fair Isle charts 2 and 3 (the 52nd (52nd) 56th st on the n).
- The different thumb sizes are marked in diagram 1A (1B) 1C.
- **Red lines** mark thumb in chart 2 and 3.
- Remember to keep the dominant color consistent, which is the thread being held closest to your work (CC on the chart).

MC

CC

Size S

Marking of size

ICONS

M1R

M1L

Size M

Decrease leaning left

Decrease leaning right

Size L

Thumb is **only shown to scale** in the **width** in diagram 1A (1B) 1C:

Chart 1A: Thumb size S

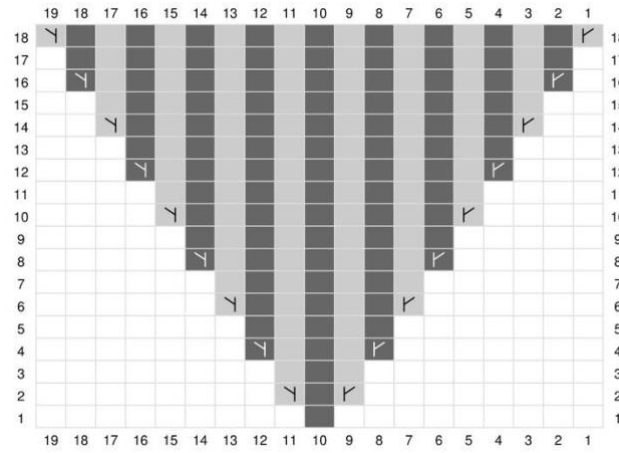


Chart 1B: Thumb size M

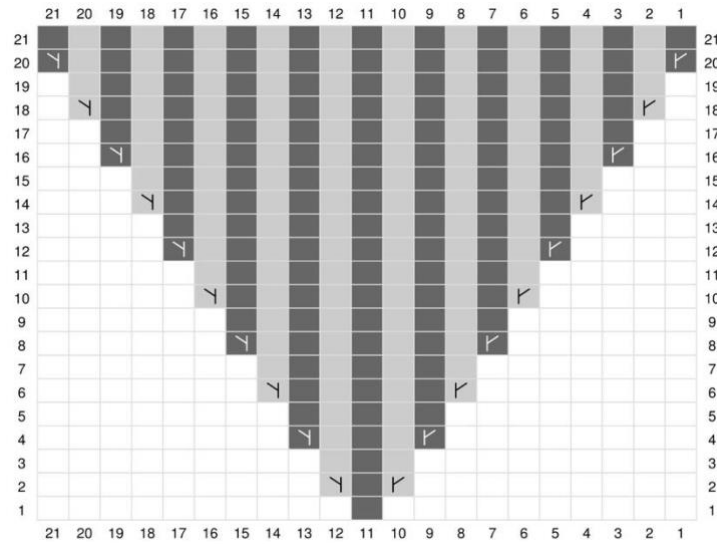


Chart 1C: Thumb size L

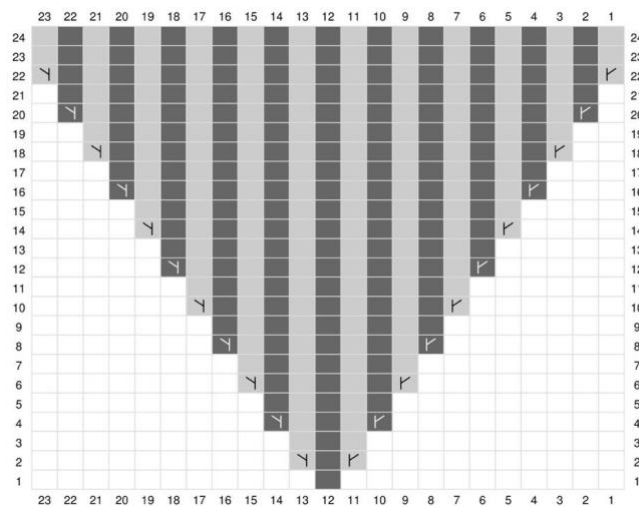


Chart 2A: Left mitten sizes S (M)

Make inc for the thumb after working 1 r in Fair Isle on both sides of the 25th st in the chart (the 23rd st on the n).

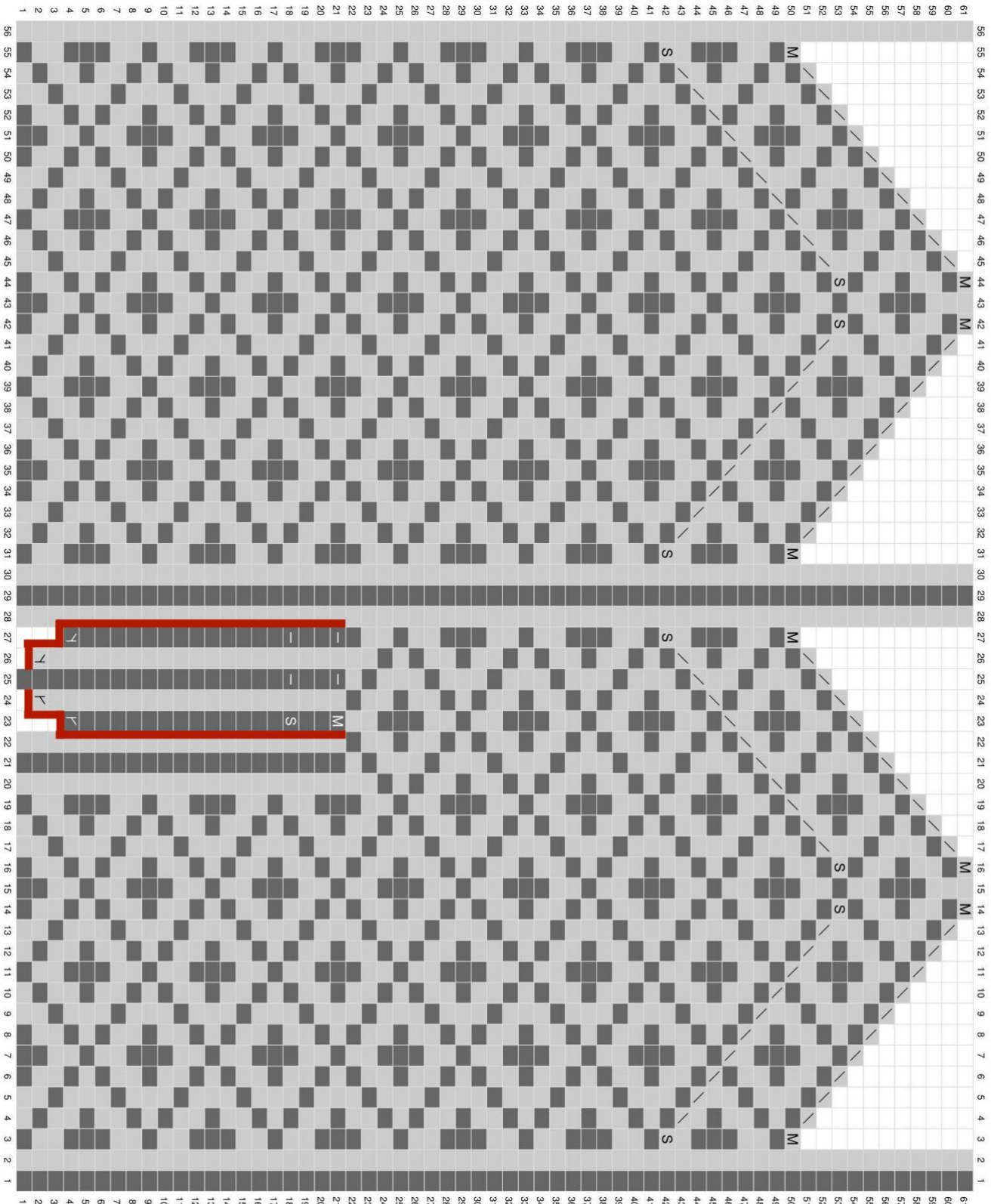


Chart 2B: Right mitten sizes S (M)

Make inc for the thumb after working 1 r in Fair Isle on both sides of the 5th st in the chart (the 3rd st on the n).

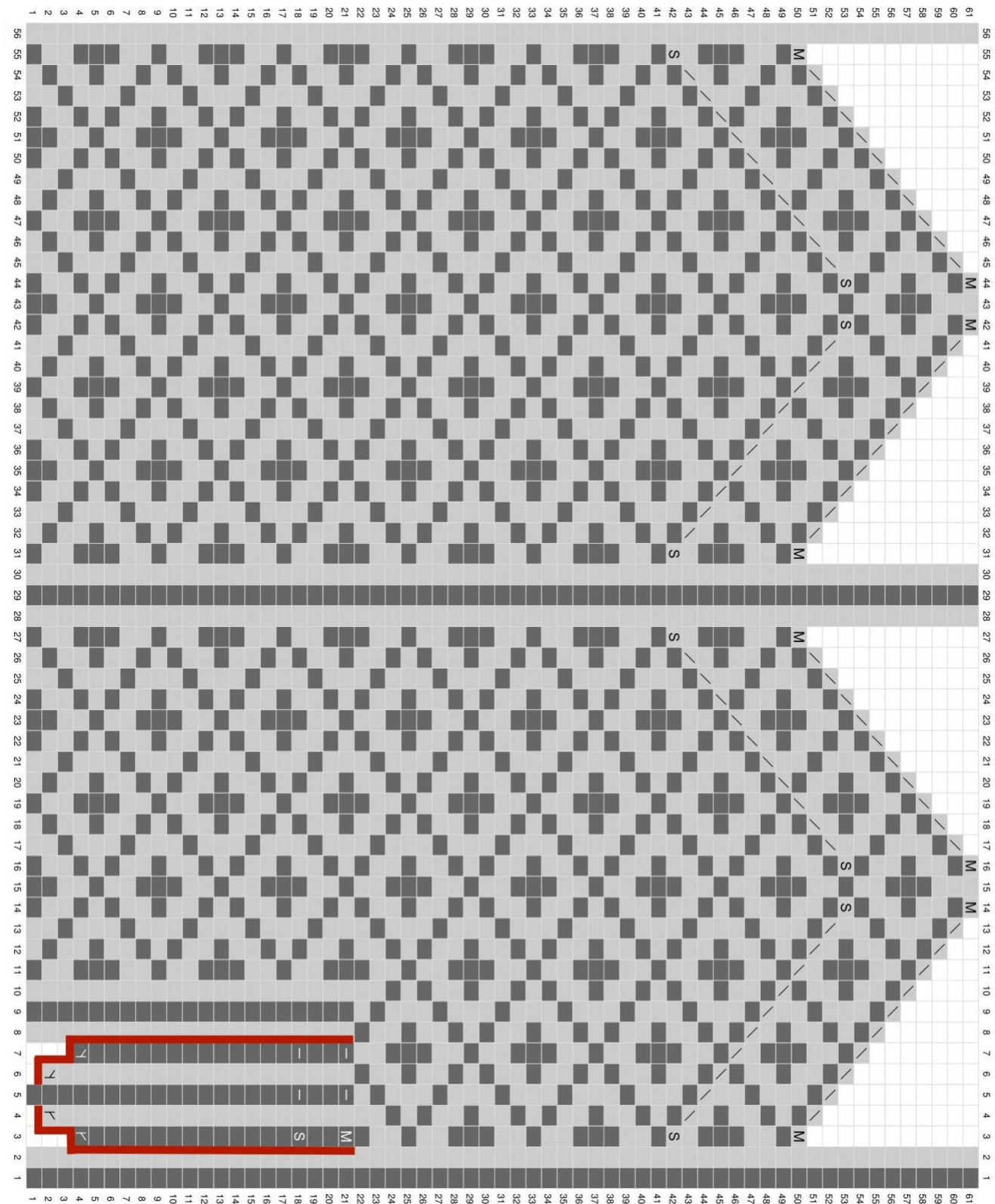


Chart 3A: Left mitten size L

Make inc for the thumb after working 1 r in Fair Isle on both sides of the 27th st in the chart (the 25th st on the n).

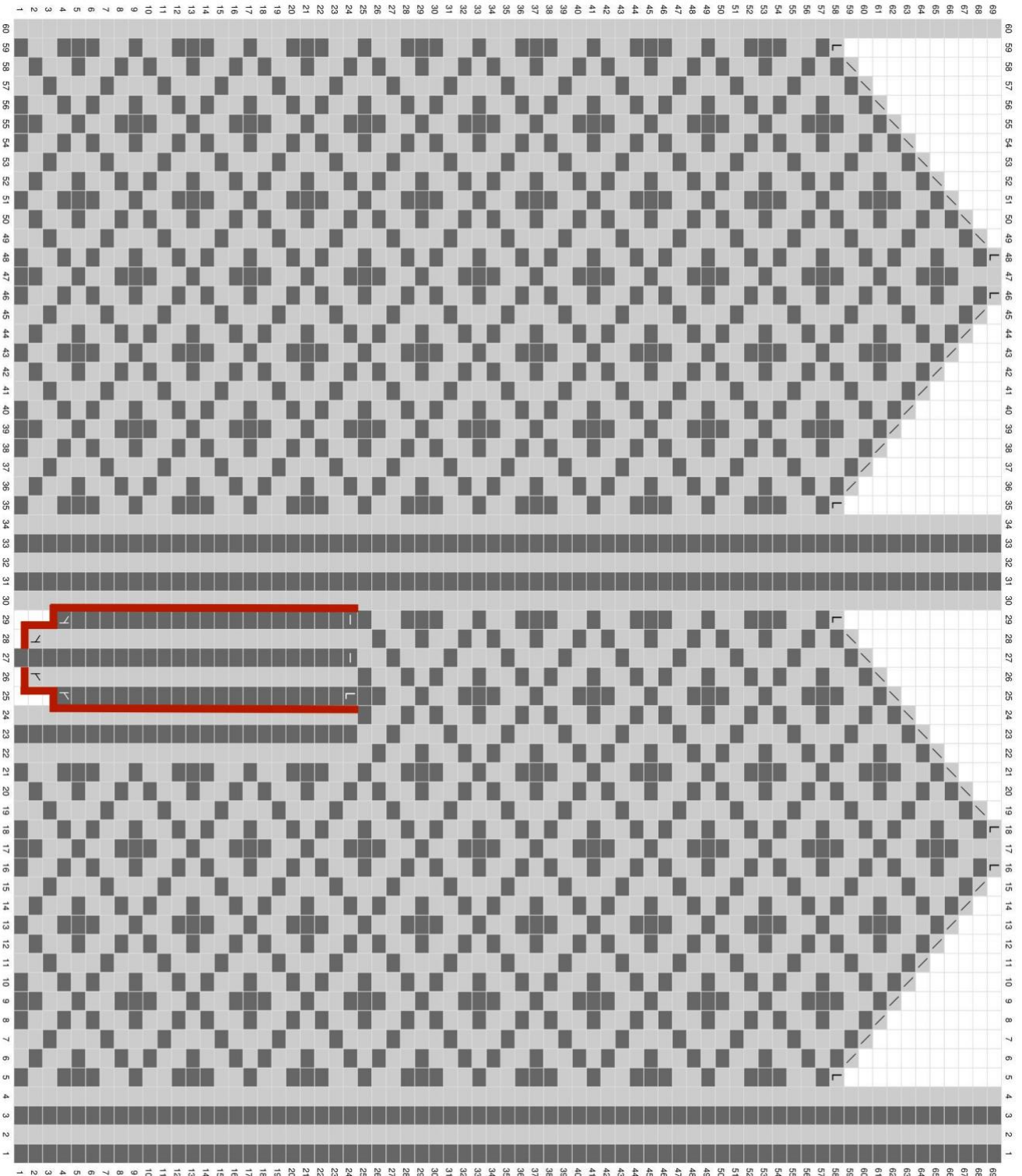
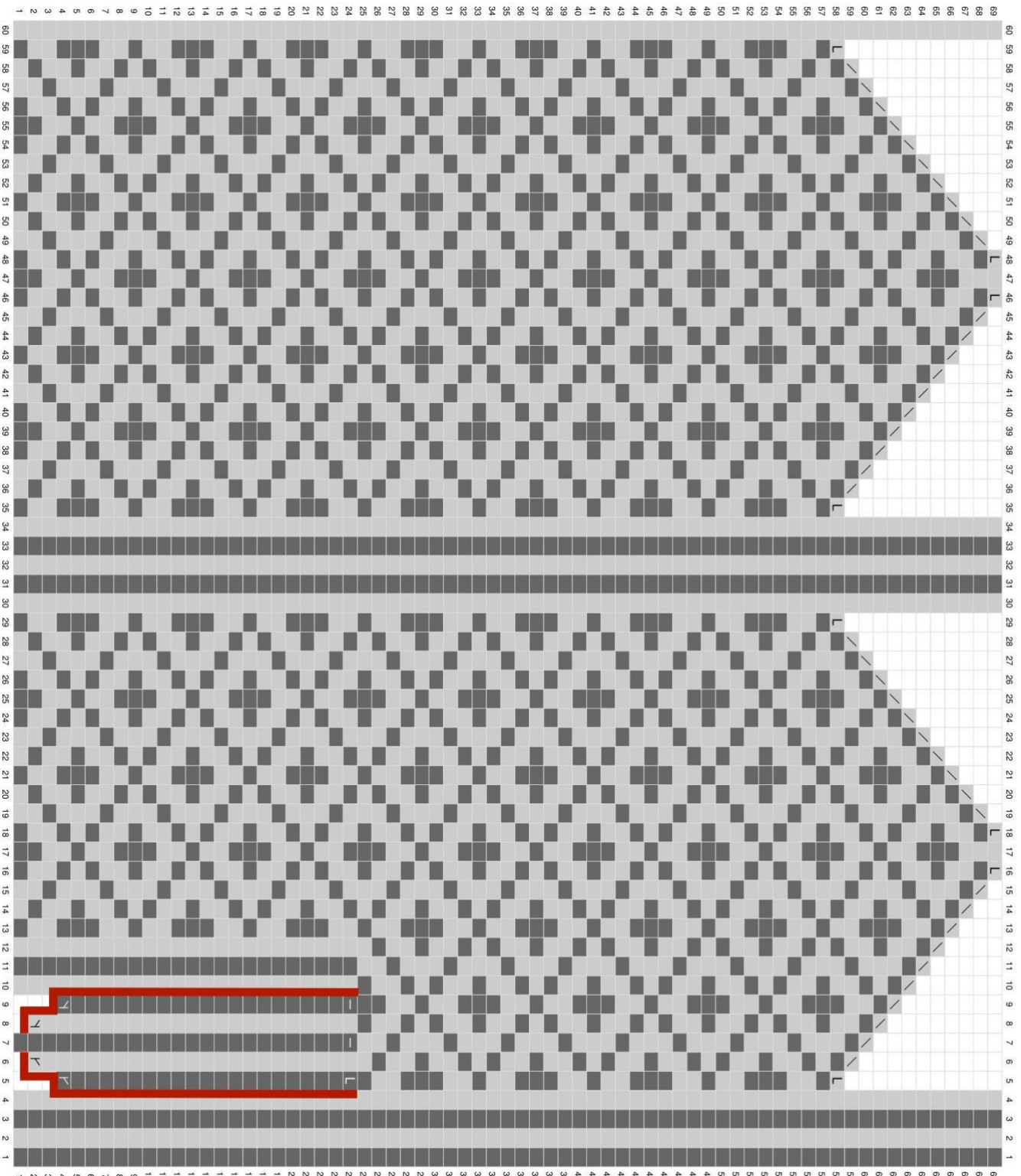


Diagram 3B: Right Mitten size L

Make inc for the thumb after working 1 r in Fair Isle on both sides of the 7th st in the chart (the 5th st on the n).



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