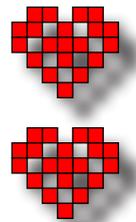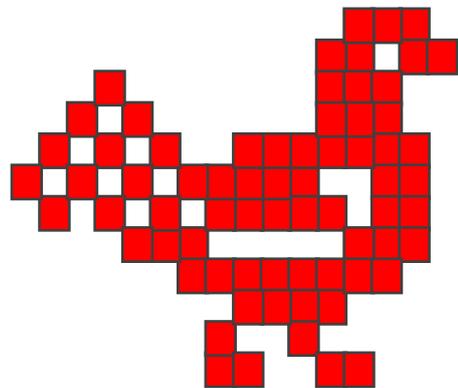# A bird in the hand

A bird in the hand is worth ten in the bush, as the saying goes.
– So, you know what you have, but not what you may get. Here you get a cute mitten pattern from me. The pattern is not for commercial use, otherwise you are welcome to knit as many pairs as you wish. These mittens are good and long, covering more than just the wrist. (c) 2008 Jorid Linvik

Yarn: Daletta from Dale,
Color A (pattern) 1 ball blue-gray (5762)
Color B (background) 1 ball black (0090)
Needles: 3 mm.
The red motifs are embroidered on afterwards in duplicate stitch. Use some leftover yarn in a weight to match the rest of the mitten.
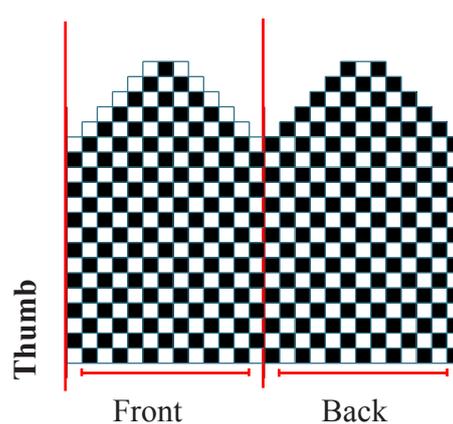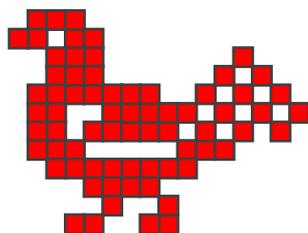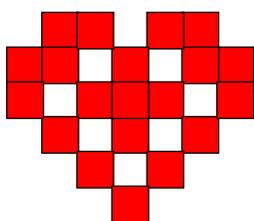
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Cast on 58 st on 3 mm needle in color A. Knit three rounds of k1, p1 ribbing in color A and then begin to follow the diagram in stockinette.

Where there are more than about 5 stitches of the same color, secure the float on the back by twisting the two colors together.
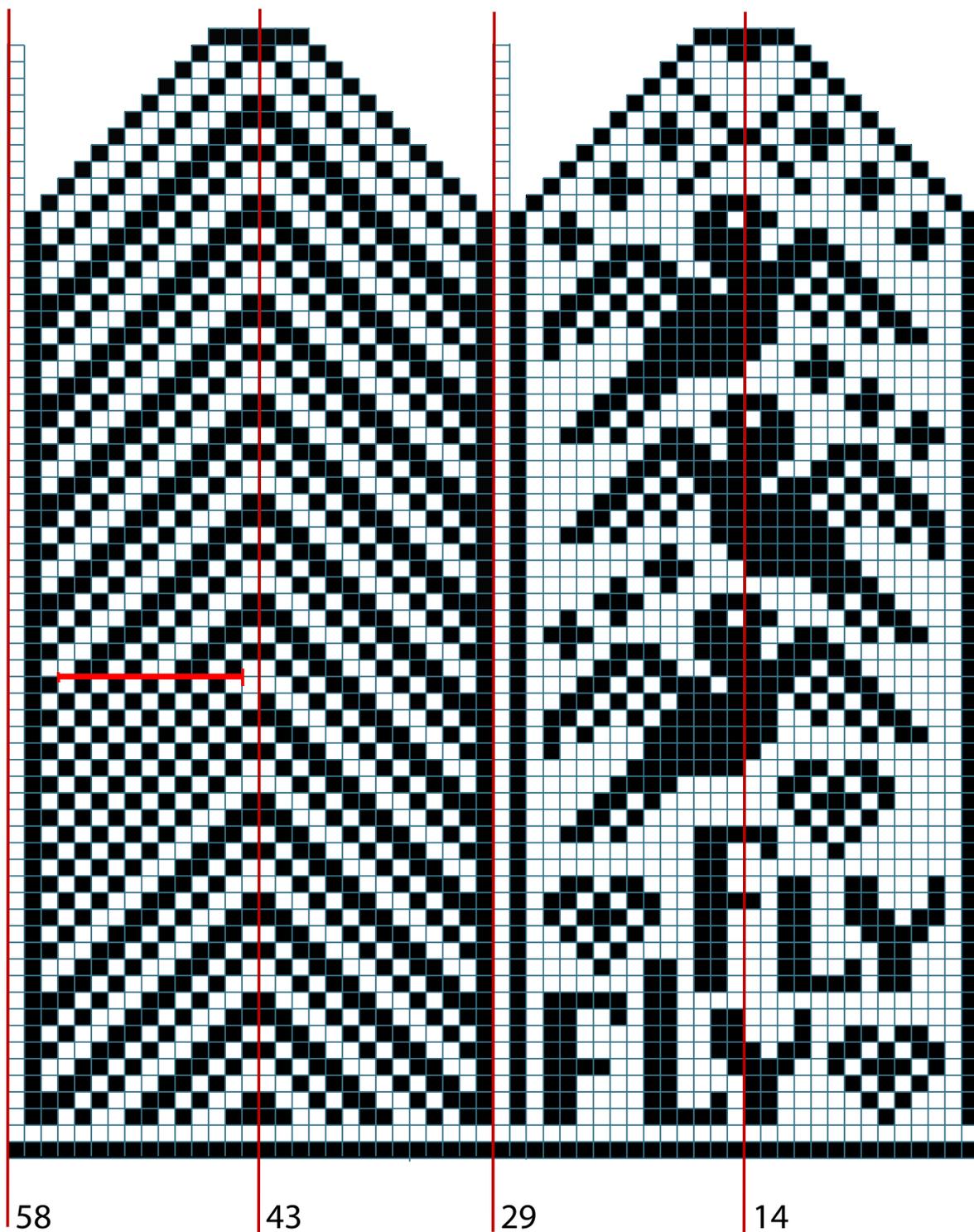
Thumb opening: (marked by a red line). Knit these 11 st. with waste yarn, return the waste yarn sts to the lefthand needle and knit over them again in pattern. **Decreases:** decrease 1 st. on either side of the edge st. in every round as follows: before each edge stitch, k2tog with color A. After each edge stitch SKP (slip 1 k1, pass slipped st. over) with color A. On the final round, instead of k2tog include the edge st in a k3tog (with color A). Kitchener together the last 12 st with color A.

Thumb: Remove the waste yarn, placing the 11 st. above the opening onto one needle, and the 11 st below the opening onto another needle. Pick up 2 st. on either side, giving 26 st. altogether. Knit 15 rounds, then decrease as for the tip of the mitten, only without the edge sts. Thread the yarn through the last 6 st and fasten off all the loose ends.
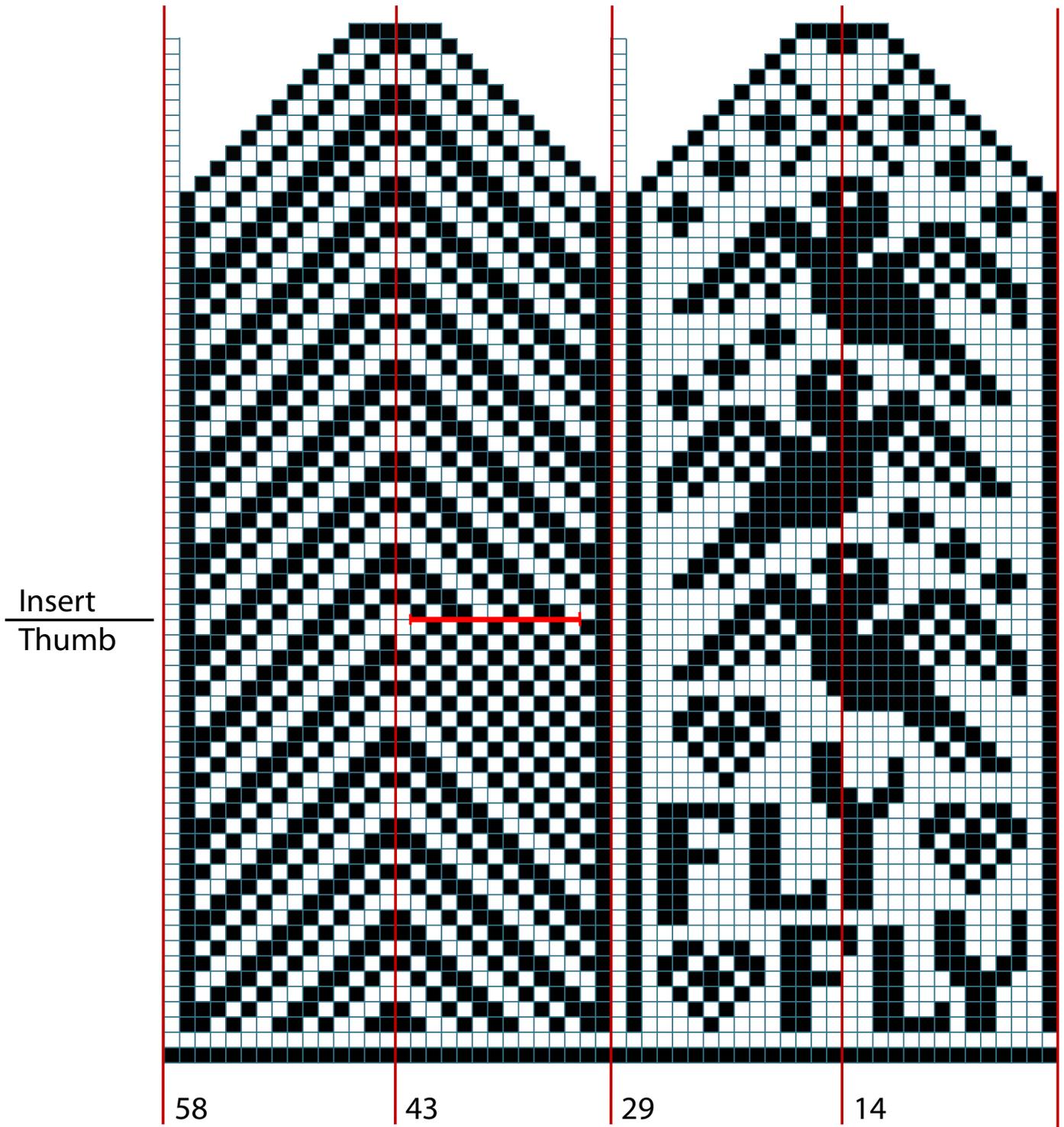
With red yarn duplicate st over one of the hearts on the the pattern side of the mitten and do the bird motif in the center of the palm in the same way.

Thumb

Front   Back

Insert
thumb

58   43   29   14

Left hand

Insert
Thumb

58   43   29   14

Right hand