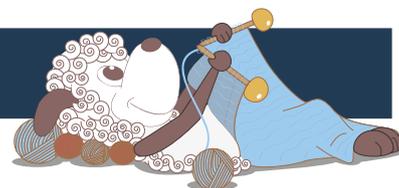


Erica - a sweater in a simple lace pattern



Design: Ditte Lerche



"Erica" is part of Filcolana's "Colours of the Scandinavian Summer" collection. For this collection our team of designers have found inspiration in the incredible Scandinavian light and colours in the works of the Skagen Painters.

Around Kandestederne in Denmark, the heather covers the ground as far as the eye can see, like a beautiful soft looking greyish purple blanket. This was the inspiration for the designer Ditte Lerche when creating this sweater, which on top of that is also fun to knit, as it is worked from cuff to cuff in a lovely lace pattern.

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Materials

400 (450) 500 (550) 600 g Peruvian Highland Wool by Filcolana in colour 815 (Lavender Grey)
100 (125) 125 (150) 175 g Tilia by Filcolana in colour 100 (Snow White)
5 mm and 6 mm circular needle, 80 cm
Stitch markers

Sizes

XS (S) M (L) XL

Measurements

Body, chest: 92 (96) 100 (102) 108 cm
Sweater, chest: 98 (102) 106 (110) 114 cm
Sleeve length: 42 (44) 46 (48) 50 cm
Total length: 46 (48) 48 (50) 52 cm

Gauge

16,5 sts and 22 rows in pattern on a 6 mm needle = 10 x 10 cm.



Special abbreviations

M1p: lift the bar between sts onto the left needle and purl into the back of it.

M1k: lift the bar between sts onto the left needle and knit into the back of it.

Directions for knitting

The design is worked back and forth from cuff to cuff. The silhouette is boxy and cropped.

1st sleeve

Cast on 45 (53) 53 (53) 61 sts on a 5 mm needle.

Work 5 cm of rib as follows: K1 (edge st), *k1, p1*, repeat from * to the last st, k1.

On the last WS row, knit together the 2 sts after the first 2 sts.

There are now 44 (52) 52 (52) 60 sts on the needle. Change to a 6 mm needle and work in pattern as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1 (edge st), *k2, p2*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st).

Row 2: K1 (edge st), *knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st).

Row 3: K1 (edge st), *k2, p2, slå om, k2tog, p2*, repeat from * to *, k2, k1 (edge st).

Row 4: K1 (edge st), *knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts, purl the yarn overs*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st).

Row 5: K1 (edge st), *k2, p2*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st).

Row 6: K1 (edge st), *knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st)

Row 7: K1 (edge st), *k2, p2, k2tog tbl, slå om, p2*, repeat from * to *, k2, k1 (edge st).

Row 8: K1 (edge st), *knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts, purl the yarn overs*, repeat from * to *, k1 (edge st).



These 8 sts form the pattern and are repeated.

Continue in pattern while at the same time working an increase after the first 2 sts and before the last 2 sts every 12th row a total of 8 (8) 8 (9) 9 times. There are now 60 (68) 68 (70) 78 sts on the needle. Work straight in pattern until sleeve measures 42 (44) 46 (48) 50 cm. End of a WS row.

Body

Cast on new sts in extension of the sts on the needle on the next 2 rows as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Cast on 43 new sts, then work them as follows: Slip 1 st purl-wise with the yarn in front, k1, p2, continue in pattern as before across the sleeve sts, then cast on 43 new sts at the end of the row, turn.

Row 2: Slip 1 st purl-wise with the yarn in front, p1, k2, work in pattern to the last 4 sts, k2, p1, k1.

Sts have now been cast on for the body at either end of the sleeve.

Mark the centre lace rib (2 knit sts). Work a M1p on either side of the centre 2 sts every 10th (10th) 12th (12th) 12th row a total of 3 times.

Work straight until the work measures 57 (60) 63 (66) 69 cm. Now begin neck opening by dividing the work into front and back and working each side separately before, once again joining them for the second shoulder.

Front

For a neat neck edge, work a 2 stitch edge stitch by slipping the first stitch purl-wise with the yarn in front, then k1 (on RS), purl (on WS).

Work a total of 40 rows across the front, while at the same time shaping the neck edge as follows (RS): Work k2tog after the 2 edge sts on row 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19.

Then working an M1k in the same place on row 21, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35. New sts are worked in pattern.

Back

Work edge sts at the neck edge as follows: On RS rows: End with k2. On WS rows: Slip first stitch purl-wise with the yarn in front.

Again work 40 rows with decreases and then increases in the same way as on the back, but on the following rows:

(RS) K2tog on row 5, 9, 13, 17 and M1k on row 27, 31, 35, 39. New sts are worked in pattern.

Now join the front and back and work in the same way as on the first shoulder only backwards. p2tog on either side of the centre 2 sts where increases were worked on the first shoulder. Work straight in pattern until work measures 90 (94) 98 (102) 106 cm. Then bind off 43 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, to bind off the front and back sts.

2nd sleeve

Continue in pattern, while at the same time working a decrease at either end of the row every 12th row a total of 8 (8) 8 (9) 9 times. There are now 44 (52) 52 (52) 60 sts on the needle.

Work straight in pattern until the work measures 127 (133) 139 (145) 151 cm. End on a RS row. M1k after the first 2 sts of the last row, so there are now 45 (53) 53 (53) 61 sts on the needle.

Change to a 5 mm needle and work 5 cm of k1, p1 ribbing as on the first cuff. Bind off.

Finishing

Begin by sewing the sleeve seam from the rib edge and continue up along the sleeve and down the side of the body. Sew the second side in the same way, Weave in all ends.