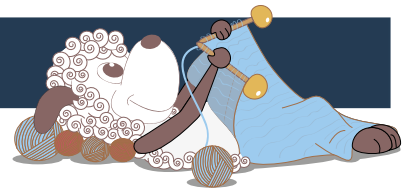


Muscardinus - a hoodie for the littlest ones



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A soft and tensile sweater, that will fit the baby for a very long time. The hoodie is worked in garter stitch in one piece from cuff to cuff. And it is not hard to knit at all!

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Materials

100 (150) 200 (200) g of New Zealand Lammeuld by Filcolana (color 950)
4 small buttons
3 mm straight needles

Sizes

ca. 3 (6) 9 (12) months

Measurements

Total length, mid back: 26 (28) 30 (32) cm
Weater, chest: 50 (53) 56 (59) cm

Gauge

26 sts and 52 rows in garter stitch measures 10x10 cm (the measurement is taken while the fabric was lightly stretches, as garter stitch is very tensile and will relax with wash and wear)

Abbreviations

M1: Make 1. Increase one stitch by lifting the chain between sts onto the left needle and knitting it through the back loop.



Directions for knitting

The model is worked in garter stitch in one piece from cuff, across back and fronts to the other cuff. Along all open edges a nice chained edge is worked. Stitches for the hood are picked up along the neckline and. The hood is closed at the crown using a 3-needle bind-off. The hoodie is sewn together along the sleeve and side seams at the end.

Right sleeve

Cast on 40 (42) 44 (44) sts - preferably with yarn held double for a strong cuff edge. Knit back and forth in garter stitch.
Knit 36 (38) 40 (40) rows straight for the folded cuss. Increase row: K1, M1, knit to the last stitch, M1, k1. Work an increase row every 6th row 9 (10) 12 (12) more times (= 60 (64) 70 (70) sts on the needle). Work straight in garter stitch until the sleeve measures 18 (20) 23 (25) cm. Cast on 40 (44) 48 (52) sts at both ends of the work for the side seams. Knit across all 140 (152) 166 (174) sts, but work the 2 first and 2 last stitches as a chained edge (slip 2 sts purl-wise at the beginning of each row). Knit 10 (11) 12 (13) cm straight in garter stitch, then

divide the work into back and front by binding off the center 4 sts for the neck. Let the front rest and work the back.

Back

Work a chained edge at the neck side as well, and decrease 1 st right inside the chained edge every other row a total of 3 times (65 (71) 78 (82) sts on the needle). Knit 26 (30) 34 (34) rows across the back, then increase 1 st every other row right inside the chained edge a total of 3 times.

Let the back rest while the right front is worked.

Right front

Work the same way as the back with decreases at the neck edge a total of 5 times. 63 (69) 76 (80) sts on the needle. Knit 20 (22) 24 (24) rows straight. The last 12 rows are the button edge. Bind off loosely.

Left front

Cast on 63 (68) 76 (80) sts with the yarn held double. Knit back and forth for 5 rows.

Work 4 buttonholes beginning at the neck edge: Work the 2 stitch chained edge, k1, *bind off 4 sts for a buttonhole, knit 6 (6) 7 (7)*. Repeat from * to * a total of 4 times. On the next row, cast on 5 new stitches over where stitches were bound off for each buttonhole. Transfer the last of the 5 cast on sts to the left needle, then knit it together with the next stitch on the needle (- this tightens the edge of the buttonhole).

Increase 1 st every other row right inside the chained edge a total of 5 times when a total of 20 (22) 24 (24) rows have been knit from the cast-on edge.

Cast on 4 sts at the neck edge, and work across both back and front. Work 10 (11) 12 (13) cm straight in garter stitch. Bind off 40 (44) 48 (52) sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows for the left side seam. There are now 60 (64) 70 (70) sts on the needle.

Left sleeve

Work straight for the same number of rows as on the right sleeve.

Decrease row: K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts, ssk, k1.

Work a decrease row every 6th row a total of 10 (11)13 (13) times, until there are 40 (42) 44 (44) sts on the needle. Knit 36 (38) 40 (40) rows straight for the fold up cuff. Bind off.

Hood

Pick up and knit stitches along the neck edge. Begin and end at the 6th garter ridge from the front edges (these 12 rows are for the buttons and buttonholes). Pick up and knit 1 st in each chained stitch. Pick up from second of the chained stitches at the edge. Also pick up 1 st in each of the 4 bound off/cast on sts at the shoulders.

Place a marker at each shoulder and another mid back.(count the sts to make sure the markers are

placed symmetrically.)

Knit across all sts, but with a chained edge at either end (front edges). Increase 1 st at each marker on the next row

Increase row: Knit to 1 st before marker, M1, k1, slip marker, k1, M1*. Repeat from * to * 2 more times.

Knit to end of row. (6 sts increased)

Work an increase row every 6th row a total of 6 times.

Then work increases at the mid back marker only every 8th row a total of 10

(11)12 (13) times.

Work straight until the hood measures 19 (20) 21 (22) cm.

Divide the stitches evenly onto 2 needles. Hold the work right sides together and bind off using the 3-needle bind-off starting at the front edge. When there are 4 sts left, work a little string back and forth: Slip 2 purl-wise, k2. Repeat for 12 rows. Bind off.

Finishing

Weave in the ends and sew the shoulder and side seams from the RS. Sew in 4 little buttons across from the buttonholes.

Gently wash the work and put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine. Stretch it to fit the measurements, then let it dry lying on a flat surface.