

Elliot - a lovely baby sweater



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There is an almost infinite number of textures and patterns to be created using only knit and purl stitches. For this design you can relax while knitting every other round and be a bit more alert while alternating a knit and a purl stitch on the opposite rounds

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Materials

100 (100) 100 (150) g Merci by Filcolana in colour 1061 (bluestone)
3 mm circular needle and double-pointed needles
2 buttons, approx. 12 mm in diameter

Sizes

1 months/56 cl (6 months/68 cl) 1 year/80 cl (2 years/ 92 cl)

Measurements

Body, chest: 39-43 (44-48) 49-53 (54-58) cm
Sweater, chest: ca. 46 (51) 57 (63) cm
Total length: ca. 24 (27) 30 (33) cm
Sleeve length: 16 (18) 20 (22) cm

Gauge

28 sts and 46 rows in pattern on a 3 mm needle = 10 x 10 cm

Special abbreviations

Skp: slip 1 stitch, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the knit stitch.

M1L (Make 1 Left): from the front, lift the horizontal strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the back loop.

M1R (Make 1 Right): from the back, lift the horizontal strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the front loop.



Short rows - GSR (German short rows): Work to where the turn needs to be, turn, then slip the first stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front. Bring the working yarn up and over the needle and down on the other side, pulling hard enough on the yarn to make the stitch on the needle look like a double stitch (the 2 legs of the stitch are visible). Continue row as pattern describes.

When working across the stitch that looks like a double stitch, work it as 1 stitch, either knitting or purling the 2 legs together, as the pattern describes.

Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked from the bottom up. First the body and sleeve are worked separately in the round, before being joined for the yoke. The yoke is worked with raglan decreases, in the round to the slit. Then back and forth. At the end button and buttonhole edges are worked along the sides of the slit.

Body

Cast on 128 (144) 160 (176) sts on a 3 mm circular needle. Join in the round and place a marker around the first stitch of the round for the beginning of the round and another around the 65th (73rd) 81st (89th) stitch. Work in broken rib as follows:

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: *k1, p1*. Repeat from * to * to end of round.

Repeat these 2 rounds until the work measures 3,5 cm. End on a Round 2.

Continue in pattern as follows:

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: *k1, p3*. Repeat from * to * to end of round.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: P2, *k1, p3*. Repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts. End with k1, p1.

Repeat these 4 rounds until the work measures 16 (18) 20 (22) cm. end on a Round 2 or 4.

Bind off 5 sts for each armhole on the next round as follows: Bind off 3 sts, knit to 2 sts before marked stitch, bind off 5 sts, knit to the last 2 sts of the round, then bind off these 2 sts.

Let the body rest on the needle, while the sleeves are worked.

Sleeves

Cast on 30 (34) 38 (42) sts on 3 mm double-pointed needles. Join in the round and place a marker around the first stitch of the round to mark the beginning of the round. Work in broken rib as on the body for 4 cm. End on a Round 2.

Now work in round in pattern as on the body, while at the same time working increases as follows:

Round 1: K1 (marked stitch), M1L, knit to end of round, M1R.

Round 2: K1 (marked stitch), *k1, p3*. Repeat from * to *. End with k1.

Continue in the round in pattern, while the marked

stitch is knit on every round and increases are worked as established every 6th (6th) 8th (10th) round until there are 46 (50) 54 (58) sts on the needle.

Work straight in pattern until the sleeve measures 16 (18) 20 (22) cm. End on e Round2 or 4 of the pattern.

Bind off 5 sts for the armhole on the next round as follows: Bind off 3 sts, knit to the last 2 sts, then bind off these 2 sts.

Work a second sleeve the same way as the first.

Yoke

Join the sleeve and the body. There are a total of 200 (224) 248 (272) sts. Work in the round, continuing in pattern across each section and knitting together the last stitch of each section with the first stitch of the next section each of the 4 places where body and sleeves meet – and placing a marker around each of the 4 resulting sts (raglan stitch).

The round begins at the raglan stitch between the left sleeve and the front.

Also place a marker around the centre stitch, which will be used when sts are set aside for the neck edge.

Raglan stitches are knit on all even rounds of the pattern and purled on every odd row, while 1 stitch on either side is knit on all rounds (when working back and forth for the slit, these are knit on the RS and purled on the WS).

Work raglan decreases every other round (odd rows of the pattern) as follows: *k1 (marked stitch), skp, knit to 2 sts before marked stitch, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * to end of round.

Work 7 decrease round. Work 1 round without decreases. Divide work for the slit.

Next round: Bind off 3 sts, knit with raglan decreases to end of round, turn.

Next row (WS): Bind off 2 sts, work k1, p1, *work in pattern to 1 stitch before the marked stitch, p1, k1, p1*. Repeat from * to * twice more, work in pattern to the last 2 sts, p1, k1.

Next row (RS): P1, *skp, knit to 2 sts before the marked stitch, k2tog, k1 (marked stitch)*. Repeat from * to * twice more, then work skp, knit to the last 3 sts, k2tog, p1.

Repeat these 2 rows until a total of 15 (17) 19 (21) decrease rows/rounds have been worked. End on a RS row.

Now move the 9 (11) 13 (15) sts at the centre of the front to a stitch holder (the marked stitch + 4 (5) 6 (7) on either side) and work short rows on side of these sts as follows:

Short row 1: Work from the WS to 4 (5) 6 (7) sts before the marked stitch on the front. Turn and work from the RS back to beginning of round with raglan decreases.

Short row 2: Work to 3 (3) 4 (5) sts before the last turn. Turn and work back to beginning of round with raglan decreases.

Short row 3: Work to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before the last

turn. Turn and work back to beginning of round with raglan decreases. Let the sts rest.

Work short rows on the other side of the neck as follows:

Join the yarn from the WS 4 (5) 6 (7) sts after the marked stitch. Work to end of row.

Next row: Work with raglan decreases to 3 (3) 4 (5) sts before the "hole", turn and work back.

Fewer short rows are worked on this side, as this is the side with the slit.

Neck edge

Work back and forth across all sts in broken rib as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: *k1, p1*, som det passer med raglanmaskerne.

Repeat these 2 rows once more, then work Row 1 one last time.

Bind off purl-wise from the WS.

Edges

Pick up and knit 22 (25) 28 (31) sts from the WS along the front side of edge of the slit incl. the neck edge. Begin with Row 2 and work broken rib as for the neck edge, while at the same time working 2 buttonholes on the 3rd row. Work the first buttonhole after 5 (8) 11 (12) and the second when there are 5 sts left on the needle as follows: Bind off 2 sts. Cast on 2 new sts over where the sts were bound off on the next row.

Work the sleeve side edge of the slit on the same way, only without the buttonholes.

Finishing

Place the edge with buttonholes over the edge without and sew the bottom end of both to the bottom of the slit.

Sew in the buttons across from the buttonholes. Sew the little hole under each sleeve.

Gently rinse the work, put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine, then lay it on a flat surface to dry.