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Skylark

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#FilcolanaSkylark

Johnny Mercer wrote "Skylark" in 1941 when he longed for Judy Garland, with whom he had a short affair. Lightness, seduction, and beauty have been the keywords that inspired the designer to create this elegant and stylish blouse, just as Mercer was inspired by Garland's mesmerizing and iconic personality.

SIZES

XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL)

MEASUREMENTS

Fits chest sizes: 88-94 (95-102) 103-112 (113-120)
121-130 (131-142) cm
Chest: 114 (122) 130 (137) 145 (152) cm
Length: 58 (59) 61 (61) 61 (63) cm
Sleeve length: 37 (37) 38 (36) 35 (34) cm

GAUGE

21 sts and 25 rows in pattern on 5 mm needles
= 10 x 10 cm. Gauge is measured after washing.

Needle sizes are for guidance only.

If you have more stitches on 10 cm, change to a larger needle. If you have fewer stitches on 10 cm, change to smaller needles.

If you have the accurate stitch count horizontally but not vertically it might help to change to needles in a different material, e.g., change from metal to wood or vice versa.

MATERIALS

Yarn from Filcolana

Col. A:

175 (175) 200 (200) 225 (225) g Tillia col. 321
(Sakura)

Col. B:

50 (50) 50 (50) 75 (75) g Tillia col. 362
(Autumn Leaves)

Work each colour with 2 strands of Tillia held together.

4.5 mm and 5 mm circular needles, 40, 60-80 cm.

4.5 mm and 5 mm double pointed needles (dpns).

You can skip short circular needles and dpns if you are knitting sleeves with long circular needles in the magic loop technique.

Stitch markers

Stitch holders or stitch strings





Techniques

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

M1R - Right slanted increase, right side

From the back, lift the horizontal strand between the two stitches with the left needle and knit through the front loop (1 st increase).

M1PL - Left slanted increase as seen on right side

With the left needle pick up the strand between 2 sts from front to back. Purl through the back loop.

M1L - Left slanted increase, right side

From the front, lift the horizontal strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the back loop (1 st increase).

M1PR - Right slanted increase as seen on right side

With the left needle pick up the strand between the 2 sts, from back to front. Purl through the front loop.

Workflow

Work the blouse top down.

Increase on the shoulders on every round until you have reached the desired shoulder width.

Then let the shoulder sts rest, while you divide work into front and back and join them later at the armpit, then work the body in the round.

Finally, pick up sts along the armholes and work the sleeves top down to desired length.





Pattern

Pattern on front and back:

Sizes XS, M, and XL: *P4, k4 tbl*, repeat from * to *.

Sizes S, L, and 2XL: *K4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to *.

Pattern on shoulders:

All sizes: *K4 tbl, p2*, repeat from * to *.

YOKE

With 5 mm circular needles and 2 strings of col. A cast on 56 sts loosely, place a marker and join round.

Only sizes, S, L, and 2XL

Next round: K4 tbl, p4, k4 tbl (back), place marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl (right shoulder), place marker, k4 tbl, p4, k4 tbl (front), place marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl (left shoulder).

Only sizes XS, M, and XL

Next round: P4, k4 tbl, p4 (back), place marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl (right shoulder), place marker, p4, k4 tbl, p4 (front), place marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl (left shoulder).

All sizes

Now work increases on both sides of the shoulder sts, like this:

Sizes XS, M, and XL: Start at 1st round.

Sizes S, L, and 2XL: Start at 5th round.

1st round: *Slip marker to right needle, M1L, knit back/front in pattern to marker, M1R, slip marker, knit the shoulder pattern to marker*, repeat from * to * over entire round. You have now increased 4 sts.

2nd-4th round: Repeat 1st round, knit the new sts tbl.

5th round: *Slip marker to right needle, M1PL, knit the back and front pattern to marker, M1PR, slip marker, knit the shoulder pattern to marker*, repeat from * to * over entire round.

6th-8th round: Repeat 5th round, purl the new sts.

Repeat these 8 rounds until you have 118 (126) 134 (142) 150 (158) sts on front and back respectively.

Now divide work and knit flat back and forth, like this.

Work pattern over the 118 (126) 134 (142) 150 (158) back sts, remove marker, and turn work.

Leave the remaining shoulder and front sts on a stitch holder or string.

BACK

Next row (WS): K1, *p4 tbl, k4*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, p4 tbl, k1.

Remove marker and turn work.

Next row: K1, *k4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, k4 tbl, k1.

Repeat these 2 rows until work measures 16 (16) 18 (18) 18 (20) cm from dividing the back and front, finish with a right side row.

Break yarn and let the back sts rest on a stitch holder or string.





FRONT

Slip the resting sts from the stitch holder onto the needle again.

Place the 16 shoulder sts in each side on their own separate stitch holder, remove the markers.

Join yarn to right side of the 118 (126) 134 (142) 150 (158) front sts and knit as follows:

1st row (RS): K1, *k4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, k4 tbl, k1.

Next row: K1, *p4 tbl, k4*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, p4 tbl, k1.

Repeat these 2 rows until work measures 16 (16) 18 (18) 18 (20) cm from dividing the back and front, finish with a right side row, do not turn work.

BODY

Separate the 2 strings and in continuation of the front sts, cast on 1 st with long-tail cast-on method, place a start marker and cast on 1 more st, knit the back sts like this: P1, *k4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, k4 tbl, p1, cast on 2 sts, and work the front sts as the back sts = 240 (256) 272 (288) 304 (320) sts in total.

Continue in the round in pattern until work measures 47 (48) 50 (50) 50 (52) cm from the top of the shoulder.

Break colour A.

EDGE

Change to 4.5 mm circular needles and colour B.

Next round (decrease round): K2tog, *k4 tbl, k2tog, k2tog*, repeat from * to * to last 6 sts, k4 tbl, k2tog = 180 (192) 204 (216) 228 (240) sts.

Next round: P1, *k4 tbl, p2*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, k4 tbl, p1.

Repeat this round until the edge measures 11 cm. Bind off loosely as sts indicate.

SLEEVES

Starting from the bottom of the armhole, with colour A and 5 mm needles, pick up 2 sts in left side of the bottom of the armhole, pick up 32 (32) 36 (36) 36 (40) additional sts along the right side of the armhole, to the resting shoulder sts, place marker, knit pattern over the shoulder sts, place marker, and pick up 32 (32) 36 (36) 36 (40) sts along the other side of the

armhole, and 2 sts on right side of the armhole bottom, place a start marker and join round = 84 (84) 92 (92) 92 (100) sts.

Only sizes XS, S, 2XL

Next round: P2, *k4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to * to the marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, **p4, k4 tbl**, repeat from ** to **, finish with a p2.

Repeat this round until the sleeve measures 26 (26) 27 (25) 24 (23) cm from the armhole. Break yarn.

Change to 4.5 mm circular needles and colour B.

Next round (decrease round): K2tog, *k4 tbl, k2tog, k2tog*, repeat from * to * to marker, k4 tbl, k2, k4 tbl, k2, k4 tbl, **k2tog, k2tog, k4 tbl**, repeat from ** to **, finish with a k2tog = 66 (66) - (-) (78) sts.

Next round: P1, *k4 tbl, p2*, repeat from * to * to last 5 sts, k4 tbl, p1.

Only sizes M, L, XL

Next round: k2 tbl, p4 *k4 tbl, p4*, repeat from * to * to marker, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, p2, k4 tbl, **p4, k4 tbl**, repeat from ** to **, to the last 6 sts, p4, k2 tbl.

Repeat this round until the sleeve measures 26 (26) 27 (25) 24 (23) cm from the armhole. Break yarn.

Change to 4.5 mm circular needles and colour B.

Next round (decrease round): k2 tbl, *k2tog, k2tog, k4 tbl*, repeat from * to * to 4 sts before marker, k2tog, k2tog, k4 tbl, k2, k4 tbl, k2, k4 tbl, **k2tog, k2tog, k4 tbl**, repeat from ** to ** to the last 6 sts, k2tog, k2tog, k2 tbl = - (-) 72 (72) 72 (-) sts.

Next round: K2 tbl, *p2, k4 tbl*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, p2, k2 tbl.

All sizes

Repeat this last round until the sleeve edge measures 11 cm.

Bind off as the sts indicate.

Knit the second sleeve the same way.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends.

Wash blouse according to washing instructions on the labels and lay it flat to dry on a towel.