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Linea is a blouse with lots of drama. It has vertical stripes and a marked waistline that is enhanced by the width of the peplum. It has a small, inserted sleeve that is shaped so that it has a slightly angular and graphic shape as a contrast to the soft shapes of the body. It is inspired by the corseted circus ladies of the 1890s, where the patterns were dramatic and the shapes distinct.

#### **SIZES**

S(M)L(XL)

## **MEASUREMENTS**

Fits chest circumference: 90-98 (98-106) 106-114

(116-126) cm

Chest: 94 (101) 108 (122) cm Waste: 72 (79) 86 (100) cm Hip: 101 (108) 115 (129) cm Length: 59.5 (61.5) 66 (66) cm

## **GAUGE**

36 sts and 33 rows in pattern on 3 mm needles

 $= 10 \times 10 \text{ cm}$ .

Needle sizes are for guidance only. If you have more sts on 10 cm, change to a larger needle. If you have fewer sts on 10 cm, change to smaller needles.

**MATERIALS** 

Yarn from Filcolana

Colour A:

200 (250) 300 (350) g Arwetta in colour 102 (Black)

Colour B: 100 (150) 200 (250) g Arwetta in

colour 100 (Snow White)

Circular needles 2.5 mm and 3 mm

Stitch markers or waste yarn



# Techniques

#### SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

#### M<sub>1</sub>L

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

# **SPECIAL TECHNIQUES**

# Two colour knitting

Two colour knitting is stockinette knitted using two colours at the same time. In two colour knitting hold the unused colour on the wrong side of work until it is to be used again. In order to achieve a uniform expression, it is important to choose which colour will stand out the most; this is called the dominant colour. Keep the dominant colour on the left side of your index finger, so when knitting, the non-dominant thread will be at the back of the work.

In this way, the non-dominant thread running on the back 'pushes' the dominant forward and highlights it on the front of the work.

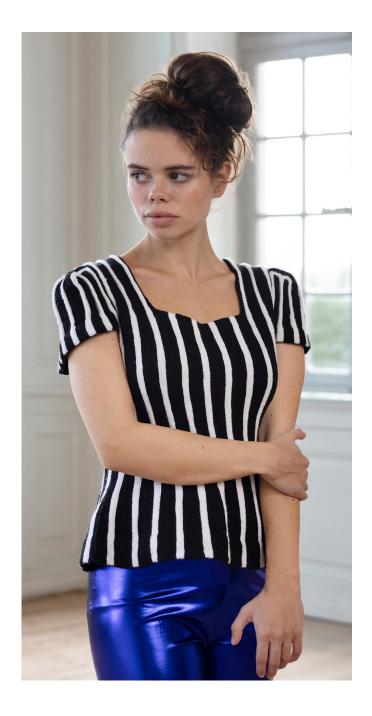
When knitting Linea, the dominant colour is colour B.

# Workflow

Linea is worked from bottom and up using the two colour knitting technique.

Linings are worked at the bottom and at the neckline to give a beautiful finish.

The shoulder seams are sewn together, and the small, inserted sleeves are sewn into the armholes.



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# Pattern

Lining

With 2.5 mm needles and colour A cast on 364 (390) 416 (468) sts.

Join work in the round, place a start marker, and knit 4.5 cm stockinette (knit all rounds).

On first round place another marker (side marker) after 182 (195) 208 (234) sts.

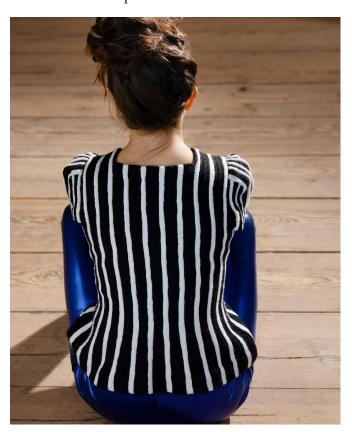
**BODY** 

Change to 3 mm needles.

Join colour B to work and begin the stripe pattern, knit as follows:

#K2 with colour B, \*knit 10 (11) 12 (14) sts with colour A, k4 with colour B\*. Repeat from \* to \* a total of 12 times, with colour A knit 10 (11) 12 (14) sts, with colour B k2#, slip marker, repeat from # to # to start marker.

Continue working stripes like this and hold the colour B in the narrow stripes as the dominant colour.



Knit till work measures 9.5 (9.5) 12 (12) cm from beginning of the stripes.

**Next round:** K2tog in the middle of each of the wide stripes (colour A) over entire round.

You now have 9 (10) 11 (13) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for 3 cm.

**Next round:** K2tog in the middle of each of the wide stripes over entire round.

You now have 8 (9) 10 (12) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for  $2\ \mathrm{cm}$ .

**Next round:** K2tog in the middle of each of the wide stripes over entire round.

You now have 7 (8) 9 (11) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for 1.5 cm.

**Next round:** K2tog in the middle of each of the wide stripes over entire round.

You now have 6 (7) 8 (10) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for 3 cm.

Now work increases in the wide stripes.

**Next round:** Work a M1L in the middle of each of the wide stripes.

You now have 7 (8) 9 (11) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for 6 cm.

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You now have 9 (10) 11 (13) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Continue working two colour knit in the round for 9 (9) 10 (10) cm.

#### **ARMHOLES**

Knit to 7 (8) 10 (14) sts before the side marker, bind off 14 (16) 20 (28) sts, knit to 7 (8) 10 (14) sts before the start marker, bind off 14 (16) 20 (28) sts.

Work is now divided into front and back, each part is finished separately.

**Note!** From here colour B is not worked all the way to the edge. In order not to create gaps between the colour change between the outer stripe in colour A and the outer stripe in colour B, twist the yarns around each other at this colour change.

# **FRONT**

You have 1 remaining st on the right needle, i.e. the st after the armpit bind off. Slip this st to left needle.

Work the next 6 (6) 6 (12) rows like this: **Next row (RS):** K2tog, knit sts and stripes to the last 2 sts, k2tog.

**Next row:** P2tog, purl sts and stripes to last 2 sts, p2tog.

You now have 156 (167) 176 (182) sts on your needles.

Here after only work decreases at the beginning and the end of every right side row, a total of 8 (10) 10 (12) times = 127 (134) 143 (145) sts.

Continue knitting back and forth until armhole measures 7 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

#### **NECKLINE**

Slip the middle 55 (62) 59 (61) sts onto a stitch holder.

You now have 36 (36) 42 (42) sts in each side. The right and left side of the neckline are finished separately.

# Left side

On every row towards the neckline slip the 1st st for a neater edge.

Work stripes flat over the 36 (36) 42 (42) sts until the front measures 19 cm from the start of the armhole, finish with a wrong side row.

#### Shoulder

Bind off 6 (6) 7 (7) sts in the beginning of every right side row towards the armhole, 6 times in total. Break yarn.

# Right side

Join yarn to right side of the 36 (36) 42 (42) sts. On every row towards the neckline slip the 1st st for a neater edge.

Work right front as left front, only binding off for the shoulder at the beginning of every wrong side row.

#### Lining

Slip the middle 55 (62) 59 (61) sts back on the 2.5 mm needle. Join colour A to work and knit stockinette for 2.5 cm. Bind off all sts.

Break yarn and leave a long thread to sew the lining onto the inside.

#### **BACK**

Work the back as the front, until you have knitted 16.5 cm, measured from the beginning of the armhole, finish with a wrong side row.

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You now have 36 (36) 42 (42) sts on each side of the resting sts.

Knit both sides and the lining as on the front.

#### **SLEEVES**

# Lining

With 2.5 mm and colour A cast on 98 (98) 107 (107) sts. Knit stockinette back and forth for 2.5 cm, finish with a wrong side row.



#### Sleeve

Change to 3 mm needles and begin stripe pattern like this:

Next row (RS): Knit 2 (2) 4 (4) sts with colour A, 4 sts with colour B, 6 sts with colour A, 4 sts with colour B, 6 sts with colour A, place marker, \*4 sts with colour B, 6 (6) 7 (7) sts with colour A\*, repeat from \* to \* another 4 times, knit 4 sts with colour B, place marker, 6 sts with colour A, 4 sts with colour B, 6 sts with colour A, 4 sts with colour B, knit 2 (2) 4 (4) sts with colour A.

Repeat this stripe work for 3 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Now work increases in the middle of the sleeve, between the two markers, like this:

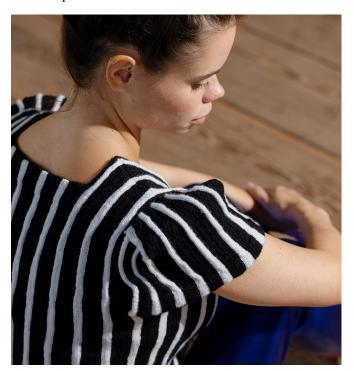
**Next row (RS):** In the middle of each of the 5 wide stripes work a M1L.

You now have 7 (7) 8 (8) sts in each of the 5 middle wide stripes.

Work stripe work for 3 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

**Next row (RS):** In the middle of each of the 5 wide stripes work a M1L.

You now have 8 (8) 9 (9) sts in each of the 5 middle wide stripes.



Work stripe work for 3 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

**Next row (RS):** In the middle of each of the 5 wide stripes work a M1L.

You now have 9 (9) 10 (10) sts in each of the 5 middle wide stripes.

Work stripe work for 3 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

**Next row (RS):** Bind off the first 22 (22) 24 (24) sts, remove marker, work a M1L in the middle of the 5 wide stripes between the markers, remove marker, knit as the sts indicate over the last 22 (22) 24 (24) sts.

You now have 10 (10) 11 (11) sts in each of the 5 middle wide stripes.

**Next row:** Bind off the first 22 (22) 24 (24) sts as the pattern indicates, work remaining sts as pattern indicates.

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Work stripe work for 1 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

**Next row (RS):** Knit a k2tog in the middle of each of the wide stripes.

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Repeat from \* to \* until you have 4 (4) 5 (5) sts in each of the wide stripes.

Bind off all sts.

Knit the second sleeve the same way.

### **FINISHING**

Sew the shoulder seams together.

Sew the lining of the neckline onto the wrong side of the front, the back and along the lower edge, respectively.

Sew the 2 open angles of the sleeve together and place and montage the sleeve centred in the armhole. Weave in all loose ends.

Wash the blouse according to the washing instructions on the labels, if necessary gently pull it to the right measurements and lay it flat to dry on a towel.