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#FilcolanaVictoria

The idea for the Victoria cardigan became almost an obsession. Would it be possible to knit sleeves that resemble the stilt walker's long trousers? And could you even make intarsia stripes combining thick wool yarn and thin mohair? Well, everything succeeded to perfection, also the inner ruff collar that adds drama and an aristocratic feel.

SIZES

S (M) L (XL)

MEASUREMENTS

Fits chest sizes: 83-90 (91-98) 99-106 (107-117) cm

Chest: 92 (100) 108 (119) cm

Length 49 (51) 53 (56) cm

Sleeve length: 47 (47) 47 (48) cm

GAUGE

17 sts and 26 rows in stockinette on 5 mm needles
= 10 x 10 cm.

19 sts in rib on 4.5 mm needles = 10 cm

Needle sizes are for guidance only. If the gauge is correct horizontally but not vertically, it might be an idea to change needles, e.g. from metal to wooden needles or vice versa.

MATERIALS

Yarn from Filcolana

Colour A (main colour):

250 (300) 300 (350) **Peruvian** in 136 (Mustard)

Colour B: 50 g **Peruvian** in 283 (Calypso)

Colour C: 50 g **Peruvian** in 318 (Ballerina)

Colour D: 50 g. **Peruvian** in 254 (Coral)

Colour E: 50 g **Peruvian** in 225 (Christmas Red)

Colour F (ruffles): 25 g **Tilia** in 341 (Winter Peach)

Colour G: 25 g **Tilia** in 321 (Sakura)

Colour H: 25 g **Tilia** in 100 (Snow White)

Colour I (ruffles): 25 g **Tilia** in 335 Peach Blossom

Circular needles 3, 4.5, and 5 mm, 80 cm.

2 stitch markers

Scrap yarn for Italian cast on

9 (9) 8 (9) buttons



Technique

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

M1R: Left slanted increase. (From 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).

M1L: 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).

Sl1 k1 pss: Slip 1 st purlwise, knit 1 st, and pass the slipped st over the knitted st.

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.

Knit 5-in-1 (RS): Knit a 4 st increase in the same st: k1, yarn over, k1, yarn over, k1. On next row knit the yarn overs through the back loop.

Purl 5-in-1 (WS): Knit a 4 st increase in the same st: p1, yarn over, p1, yarn over, p1. On next row knit the yarn overs through the back loop.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

Intarsia (colour changing technique)

When knitting intarsia, you have the different colours hanging on the wrong side of work until you need to knit them.

Intarsia is knitted like this: Knit to where the colour change point will be. Place the 'old' yarn over the 'new' yarn and place the 'new' yarn as you normally would over your index finger, tighten both yarns, and knit with 'new' yarn till next colour change point. This way the yarns are twisted on the wrong side and you avoid holes around colour changing points.

German short rows (GSR)

Knit to where the short row shall be. Turn work and slip st onto right needle with yarn in front. Tug the yarn up and over the needle. This creates a double stitch. Continue working the row as instructed in the pattern. On next row work the double sts together as either k2tog or p2tog depending on what the stitches indicate. This technique is called German short rows.

Bind off

When binding off sts for the neckline, armholes or sleeve cap slip first st onto right needle on bind off rows.

Workflow

Victoria is knit from bottom and up.

First you knit the body with increases on the sides.

The sloping shoulders are shaped using German short rows technique, which result in a better fit.

Sleeves are knitted back and forth using intarsia technique and are sewn together at the armholes.

Stitches for the collar are picked up along the neckline. The collar sts are bound off using Italian bind off which gives a beautiful, rounded bind-off edge.

Last you knit the ruff (ruffled collar) which is sewn onto the inside of the collar.





Pattern

BODY

With 4.5 mm circular needle cast on 66 (73) 79 (87) sts with the waste yarn.
Sts are worked back and forth on the circular needles.

Knit 2 rows and break waste yarn.

Change to main colour (colour A) and knit 3 rows of stockinette (knit on right side, purl on wrong side).
1st row is the right side.

Next row (WS): P1, insert right needle under the lower bar knit with the main colour 3 rows down (between last st on right needle and first st on left needle), pick up the bar and place it on LH needle, purl the new st and the next st together through back loop, *insert RH needle under the lower bar and knit a new st, p1 *, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, knit the bar, slip next st, insert RH needle under the lower bar and place it on LH needle, place slipped st onto LH needle and purl this st together with the new st, p1 = 129 (143) 155 (171) sts.

Continue with main colour and knit rib back and forth like this:

1st row (RS): k1, *k1, p1 *, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts, k2.

2nd row: p1, *p1, k1 *, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts, p2.

Repeat these 2 rows until rib measures 7 cm, make last row a wrong side row. Gently cut the cast-on waste yarn off.

Change to 5 mm needles.

Now the work is split into back and fronts as follows:

1st row (RS): Knit 31 (35) 37 (41) sts, place marker, knit 67 (73) 81 (89) sts, place marker, knit 31 (35) 37 (41) sts.

Continue knitting stockinette until you have knitted 2 (3) 3 (3) cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Next row (RS) (increase row): *Knit to last st before side marker, M1R, k2, M1L *, repeat from * to * once more, knit remaining sts.

Knit stockinette over 3 rows, last row is a wrong side row.

Repeat these 4 rows until you have increased a total of 7 (7) 7 (8) times = 157 (171) 183 (203) sts.

Continue in stockinette until work measures 29 (31) 31 (33) cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Now bind off for armholes, then work back and front pieces separately, as follows:

Next row (RS): Knit 34 (37) 39 (43) sts, bind off the next 8 (10) 10 (12) sts, knit 73 (77) 85 (93) sts, bind off the next 8 (10) 10 (12) sts, knit remaining sts.

LEFT FRONT

Next row (WS): Purl to the bound off sts.

Bind off (2) 3 (3) sts in the beginning of next right side row and then 1 st in each of the next 4 (6) 6 (8) right side rows, then 1 st on every 2nd right side row 2 (2) 2 (3) times in total = 26 (27) 28 (29) sts.

Continue knitting flat until armhole measures 13 (13) 15 (16) cm, finish with a rightside row.

Neckline

Next row (WS): Bind off 3 (3) 3 (3) sts, purl remaining sts.

Bind off 2 (2) 2 (2) sts on each of the next wrong side rows = 15 (16) 17 (18) sts.

Shoulder

Next row (RS): Knit all sts.

Next up are German short rows to shape the sloping shoulder, as follows:

1st short row (WS): Purl to last 4 (4) 5 (6) sts, turn work.

2nd short row: Make a German Short Row (see instructions under Special techniques), knit remaining sts.

3rd short row: Purl to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before the last CSR, turn work.

4th short row: CSR, knit as 2nd short row.

5th short row: Purl to last 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last CSR, turn work.

6th short row: CSR, knit as 2nd short row.



Next row (WS): Purl remaining sts while working the German short row sts and their matching yarn overs together as p2tog.

Break yarn and place shoulder sts on a stitch holder.

BACK

Join yarn to wrong side of the back.

Next row (WS): Bind off 2 (2) 3 (3) sts, purl to the bound off sts.

Next row: Bind off 2 (2) 3 (3) sts, knit remaining sts.

Bind off 1 st at beginning of the next 8 (10) 12 (16) rows, last row is a rightside row.
Knit 2 rows stockinette.

Bind off 1 st at beginning of the next 2 rows.

Repeat the last 4 rows an additional 1 (1) 1 (2) time(s)
= 57 (59) 63 (65) sts.

Continue stockinette until the back has the same height as the first German short row on left shoulder, finish with a wrong side row.



Right shoulder

Next row (RS): Knit 15 (16) 17 (18) sts, turn and let the remaining sts rest for now.

Next up are German short rows to shape the sloping shoulder. Knit as follows:

1st short row (WS): Purl to last 4 (4) 5 (6) sts, turn work.

2nd short row: GSR, knit remaining sts.

3rd short row: Purl to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before the last GSR, turn work.

4th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

5th short row: Purl to last 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last GSR, turn work.

6th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

Next row (WS): Purl remaining sts while working the German short row sts and their matching yarn overs as p2tog.

Break yarn and place shoulder sts on a stitch holder.

From the right side slip the middle 27 (27) 29 (29) sts onto a stitch holder.

Left shoulder

1st short row (RS): Join yarn to right side of the resting 15 (16) 17 (18) shoulder sts, knit till you have 4 (4) 5 (6) sts left, turn work.

2nd short row: GSR, purl remaining sts.

3rd short row: Knit to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last GSR, turn work.

4th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

5th short row: Knit to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last GSR, turn work.

6th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

Next row (RS): Knit remaining sts while working the German short row sts and their matching yarn overs as k2tog.
Do not break yarn.

Knit the shoulders together as follows:

Place the front piece shoulder sts on a dpn (or circular needles size 4.5 which you are not using).

With your left hand, place back and front piece shoulder sts with the two right sides facing each other. Wrong sides turn outwards. With an extra needle/dpn knit the sts together as follows: *Insert the right needle knitwise into 1st st on the first needle and then into the 1st st on the needle behind, knit the 2 sts together*.



Repeat from * to * once more, slip the first st on your righthand needle over the other, as you would with normal bind off*. Bind off sts as you knit them. Repeat from * to ** until all sts are bound off. Break yarn.

RIGHT FRONT

Join yarn to wrong side of the resting sts of the right front, bind off 2 (2) 3 (3) sts and purl remaining sts.

Next row (RS): Knit all sts.

Bind off 1 st in beginning of the next 4 (6) 6 (8) wrong side rows, and then 1 st on every 2nd wrong side row 2 (2) 2 (3) times = 26 (27) 28 (29) sts.

Continue stockinette until work measures 13 (13) 15 (16) cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Neckline

Next row (RS): Bind off 3 (3) 3 (3) sts, knit remaining sts.

Next, bind off 2 (2) 2 (2) sts on the next 4 (4) 4 (4) right side rows = 15 (16) 17 (18) sts.

Shoulder

Next row (WS): Purl all sts.

1st short row: Knit till you have 4 (4) 5 (6) sts left, turn work.

2nd short row: GSR, purl remaining sts.

3rd short row: Knit to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last GSR, turn work.

4th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

5th short row: Knit to 3 (3) 3 (3) sts before last GSR, turn work.

6th short row: GSR, knit as 2nd short row.

Next row (RS): Knit remaining sts while working the German short row sts and their matching yarn overs together as k2tog.

Do not break yarn but knit the shoulder sts together as on left shoulder.

RIGHT SLEEVE

With 4.5 mm needles and main colour (colour A) cast on 34 (34) 34 (36) sts. Sleeve is worked back and forth on circular needles.

1st row (WS): P1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last st, p1.

2nd row: k1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last st, k1.

Repeat these 2 rows until the ribbing measures 6 cm, finish with a rightside row.

Next row (WS) (increase row): P1, *p1, M1PR*, repeat from * to * to last st, p1 = 66 (66) 66 (70) sts.

Break yarn.

Change to 5 mm needles.

Now sleeve is knitted in different colours using intarsia technique (see Special techniques how to avoid holes when changing colours by crossing them on the back) like this:

Next row (RS): Knit 6 (6) 6 (6) sts with Peruvian in colour B, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour F, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour E, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour G, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour D, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour I, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour C, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour H, knit 6 (6) 6 (6) sts with Peruvian in colour B.

Continue knitting these colour changes in stockinette until sleeve measures 44 (43) 43 (43) cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Gusset

Next up is knitting the gusset under the sleeve, knit as follows:

Next row (RS): k1, M1L, knit to last st, M1R, k1.

Repeat this increase on the following 2 (3) 3 (4) right side rows = 72 (74) 74 (80) sts.

Knit 1 wrong side row.

Bind off 4 (5) 5 (6) sts in the beginning of the next 2 rows, last row is a wrong side row = 64 (64) 64 (68) sts.

Sleeve cap

The sleeve cap is not shaped making decreases in the sides as you would normally do, instead the number of sts are reduced by decreasing along the row.



Only size XL

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k3, k2tog, k2, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 64 sts.

Next row: Purl all sts.

All sizes

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k2, k2tog, k2, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 60 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k1, k2tog, k2, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 56 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k1, k2tog, k1, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 52 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k2tog, k1, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 48 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *k2tog, knit to next Tilia section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 44 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to first Tilia section, *knit the last st with Tilia together with the first st of the Peruvian section*, repeat from * to * to end of row = 40 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to the 2nd Peruvian section, *k5, k2tog, k3*, repeat from * to * to last Peruvian section, knit remaining sts = 37 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to the 2nd Peruvian section, *k3, sl1 k1 pssso, k4*, repeat from * to * to last Peruvian

section, knit remaining sts = 34 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to the 2nd Peruvian section, *k4, k2tog, k2*, repeat from * to * to last Peruvian section, knit remaining sts = 31 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Knit to the 2nd Peruvian section, *k2, sl1 k1 pssso, k3*, repeat from * to * to last Peruvian section, knit remaining sts = 28 sts.

Knit 3 rows of stockinette.

Next row (RS): Bind off 2 sts, knit to the 2nd Peruvian section, *k3, k2tog, k1*, repeat from * to * to last Peruvian section, knit remaining sts = 23 sts.

Next row: Bind off 2 sts, purl remaining sts = 21 sts.

Only sizes S and M

Bind off 2 sts at beginning of the next 2 rows, then 1 st at beginning of the following 4 rows, and 3 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows = 7 sts.

Only sizes L and XL

Bind off 2 sts at beginning of the next 2 rows, then 1 st at beginning of the following 2 rows, then 1 st at beginning of the next 2 rows.

Knit 2 rows of stockinette.

Bind off 1 st at beginning of the next 2 rows.





Knit 2 rows of stockinette.

Bind off 3 sts at beginning of the next 2 rows = 7 sts.

All sizes

Bind off the remaining 7 sts on next row.

LEFT SLEEVE

Knit left sleeve as right sleeve, only with the following distribution of colours after the rib edge and increase row:

Next row (RS): Knit 6 (6) 6 (6) sts with Peruvian in colour B, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour H, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour C, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour I, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour D, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour C, knit 10 (10) 10 (10) sts with Peruvian in colour E, knit 6 (6) 6 (7) sts with Tilia in colour F, knit 6 (6) 6 (6) sts with Peruvian in colour B.

LEFT BUTTON BAND

From the right side and with 4.5 mm needles and main colour (colour A) pick up 79 (83) 87 (91) sts along the left front. Start at the top of the neckline and finish at the ribbing edge of the body.

1st row (WS): p1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, p2.

2nd row: k1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, k2.

Knit 4 more rows of rib.

Bind off in rib on next row (wrong side).

RIGHT BUTTON BAND

Pick up 79 (83) 87 (93) sts as on left front, this time starting at the ribbing edge of the body and finishing at the neckline.

1st row (WS): p1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, p2.

2nd row: k1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, k2.

3rd row: Knit as 1st row.

4th row (buttonhole row): k1, knit 3 (3) 5 (3) sts of rib, *yarn over, k2tog, knit rib over 8 (8) 10 (10) sts*, repeat from * to * to last 5 (9) 9 (5) sts, yarn over, k2tog, knit rib over remaining sts.

Knit an additional 2 rows of rib.

Bind off in rib on next row (wrong side).

COLLAR

From the right side and with main colour (colour A) and 4.5 mm needles pick up sts along the neckline. Pick up 6 sts along the rib edge on right front, 20 sts along the rounded neckline to the resting sts, knit these 27 (27) 29 (29) sts, pick up 20 sts along the rounded neckline on the adjacent side and 6 sts in the rib edge = 79 (79) 81 (81) sts in total.

1st row (WS): p1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, p2.

2nd row: k1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, k2.

Repeat these 2 rows once more and knit 1st row once more.

Next row (RS) (buttonhole row): k2, yarn over, k2tog, knit rib over remaining sts.

Knit an additional 5 rows of rib, finish with a wrong side row.

From the right side bind off using Italian bind off technique, knit as follows:

Measure a tail at least 3 times the length to be bound off. Thread tail onto a tapestry needle.

1. Insert tapestry needle into the first 2 sts on left needle as if to purl, pull the yarn through.

2. From behind work insert needle between 2nd and 3rd st. Pull needle and yarn to front of work.

3. Insert tapestry needle through the 3rd st, from front and out on the back.

4. Insert tapestry needle from front into the first 2 sts as if to knit them together, slip both sts off needle.

5. From the front insert tapestry needle - from right to left - into the front leg of the 2nd st (knit st), pull yarn through.

6. Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to purl, slip st off needle.

7. Insert tapestry needle between 1st and 2nd st from back to front, pull needle through.

8. Insert tapestry needle through 2nd st, from front to back, pull needle through.

9. Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to knit, slip st off needle.

10. Repeat step 5.

11. Repeat step 6.

Repeat steps 7-11 until you have 3 sts left on your left needle.



Finish

- From right side insert tapestry needle, from right to left, into the last 2 sts, as if to purl them together, pull tapestry needle through.
 - Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to purl and slip st off needle.
 - Insert tapestry needle into the last 2 sts as if to knit them together, slip both sts off needle.
- All sts are bound off, weave in the loose end.



RUFFLE

With 1 strand of Tilia in colour F and one strand of Tilia in colour I cast on 83 (83) 85 (85) sts on 3 mm needles.

1st row (WS): P2, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to last st, p1.

2nd row: K2, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to last st, k1.

Repeat these 2 rows until rib measures 4 cm, make last row a wrong side row.

Next row (RS): K2, p1, *knit 5-in-1, purl 5-in-1*, repeat from * to * to last 4 sts, knit 5-in-1, p1, k2.

Next row: P2, k1, *p5, k5*, repeat from * to * to last 8 sts, p5, k1, p2.

Next row: K2, p1, *k5, p5*, repeat from * to * to last 8 sts, k5, p1, k2.

Repeat these 2 rows once more and knit one more wrong side row.

Next row (RS): K2, p1, *k1, M1R, k3, M1L, k1, p1, M1R, p3, M1L, p1*, repeat from * to * to last 8 sts, k1, M1R, k3, M1L, k1, p1, k2.

Next row: P2, k1, *p7, k7*, repeat from * to * to last 10 sts, p7, k1, p2.

Next row: K2, p1, *k7, p7*, repeat from * to * to last 10 sts, k7, p1, k2.

Bind off as sts indicate.

FINISHING

Before setting in the sleeves gently rinse sleeves and body according to washing instructions on the labels. Lay the sleeve on a cushion or foam pad while stretching it so that the stripes straighten to full width. Block each sleeve with pins and let it dry. Lay body to dry as well.

Sew the sleeves together with mattress stitches and sew them into the armholes, also with mattress stitches.

Wrinkle the top of the sleeve cap so that the sleeve cap fits into the armhole and a small puff is formed.

Place the ruffle collar on the inside of the neckline so that only the ruffle itself is visible above the collar/from the right side. The ruffle piece is stretched a little and placed approx. 2 cm into each side so that the ruffle does not cover itself when the cardigan is buttoned. Hold the piece in place with safety pins while sewing. Sew the ruffle piece onto the inside of the collar as follows:

Sew the bottom of the rib edge of the ruffle onto the pick up row of the rib, and also up along the sides of the rib edge. Then sew the ruffle piece onto the collar, just below the ruffle so that it is held in place and does not “fall over”. Sew with loose overcasting sts or herringbone sts that do not pass through to the outside of the collar.

Weave in all loose ends and sew in the buttons.

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