Carabus

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A fresh sweater with raglan sleeves and zipper. Indispensable for boys and girls both, and easy to throw on over a t shirt on a cool summer day - or under a jacket on a cold winter day.

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Materials

Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in the color: 101 (natural white), 102 (black), 809 (green) and 811 (turquise) Size 4 years: 50 g in each color

Size 6 years: 100 g black, 50 g in the 3 other colors Size 8 years: 100 g in each color

- Size 10 years: 100 g in each color
- 3 mm needles
- 2,5 mm needles (for the neck edge ribbing) Stitch holder

Separating black zipper - 32(35)(40)43 cm long or whatever fits the best, depending on where you prefer the zipper to stop at the neck edge.

Sizes

4 years/104 cl (6 years/116 cl) 8 years/128 cl (10 years/140 cl)

Measurements

Body, chest: 58-60 (62-64) 66-68 (70-72) cm Sweater, chest: 66 (70) 74 (78) cm Sleeve length: 29 (32) 35 (38) cm Length to armhole: 24 (27) 30 (33)cm

Gauge

28 sts and 36 rows in stockinette stitch on 3 mm needles = 10×10 cm.

Abbreviations

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

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

Chained selvedge edge: The 2 front edge stitches on either front is worked as a chained selvedge: On the RS: K2. On the WS: Slip 2 purl-wise with the yarn in front

Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked traditionally, meaning each piece is worked separately and sewn together at the end. After all the pieces have been sewn together, the zipper is sewn in from the RS, then sewn the zipper to the WS.

Back

Cast on 94 (100) 106 (112) sts with black (102) on a





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3 mm needle. Work back and forth in k1, p1 ribbing for 3 rows. Purl 1 row from the RS, then continue in stockinette stitch.

Work straight until the back measures 12 (13) 14 (15) cm. Knit 2 rows (Row 1 = RS).

Change to green (809) and knit 2 rows. Continue in stockinette stitch until the back measures 23 (26) 29 (32) cm. Knit 2 rows. Change to turquoise (811) and knit 2 rows while at the same time binding off 5 sts for the armholes at either side of the work. Decrease row (RS): K2, k2tog, knit to the last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Work the decrease row every RS row a total of 26 (28) 30 (32) times. End on a RS row. Change to white (101) and knit 2 rows, then knit 2 rows with black (102) while working decreases as well (= 28 (30) 32 (34) sts left). Place the stitches on a stitch holder.v

Right front

Cast on 47 (50) 53 (57) sts in black and work back and forth in ribbing the same way as for the back except for the 5 front edge stitches: 2 stitch chained edge, k3. Knit all 5 front edge stitches on RS rows. Continue in black the same way as for the back until the work measures 12 (13) 14 (15) cm. Knit 2 rows. Change to white and knit 2 rows. Continue in stockinette stitch until the front measures the same as the back at the armhole bind-off. End with a knit row from the WS while at the same time binding off 5 sts for the armhole (at the opposite side to the front edge). Change to green and knit 2 rows. Decrease row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to end of row. Work the decrease row every RS row a total of 14 (16) 18 (20) times.

Place the 5 front edge sts and another 9 (10) 11(12) sts in extension of the front sts on a stitch holder for the neckline. Continue with the raglan decreases at the beginning of every RS row while at the same time bind off stitches for the neckline every WS row: bind off 4 sts once, then 3 sts once, then 2 sts every WS row until all the stitches on the front are decreased or bound off.

Left front

Work the same way as the right front, only mirror reversed (so the 5 front edge sts are at the opposite end).

After working the ribbing and 1 purl row from the RS in black, change to green and knit 2 rows (Row 1 = RS). Continue in stockinette stitch until the work measures 12 (13) 14 (15) cm. Knit 2 rows. Change to turquoise and knit 2 rows. Work as for the left front to the armhole.The last row is a knit row from the WS. Change to black and knit 2 rows. Bind off 5 sts for the armhole (at the opposite side to the front edge) and work the raglan piece in black with decreases the same way as for the right front, only mirror reversed.

Right sleeve

Cast on 44 (44) 48 (50) sts using black and a 3 mm needle. Work back and forth for 3 (3) 3,5 (4) cm of

k1, p1 ribbing. Work a knit row from the WS while at the same time increasing 4 sts evenly across the row (= 48 (48) 52 (54) sts on the needle). Change to turquoise and knit 2 rows.

Next row: K2, M1, knit to the last 2 sts, M1, k1. Work an increases as above every 5th row (or alternately every 4th and 6th row) a total of 18 (22) 24 (26) times (= 84 (92) 100 (106) sts on the needle). Continue until the turquoise sections measures 12 (13) 14 (15) cm. Knit a row from the WS. Change to green and knit 2 rows. Continue in stockinette stitch until the green section is as long as the turquoise section. (Continuing the increases). Work in garter stitch: Knit 2 rows in black, then work 4 rows in white, then 2 rows in black, then 2 rows in white. At the same time: Bind off 5 sts either side of the work for the armhole when the sleeve measures 29 (32) 35 (38) cm (= 74 (82) 90 (96) sts on the needle).

Continue in white while working raglan decreases the same way as for the back at either side of the sleeve a total of 17 (19) 21 (23) times.

Bind off 3 sts at the beginning of every RS row, while continuing to work raglan decreases at the end of the same rows until all sleeve stitches have been bound off.





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Left sleeve

Work the left sleeve the same way as the right, but with the following color changes: Work 7 (7,5) 8 (8,5) cm in green. End on a knit row from the WS. Work in garter stitch: Knit 2 rows in black, 2 rows in white, then 2 rows in black. At the same time working increases the same way as for the right front. Change to turquoise and knit 2 rows. Continue in stockinette stitch and work until the sleeve is 3 cm shorter than the right sleeve was at the armhole bindoff. End on a knit row from the WS. Change to black and knit 2 rows. Bind off for the armhole the same way as for the right sleeve when the sleeve measures 29 (32) 35 (38) cm.Continue in black while working raglan decreases a total of 15 (17) 19 (21) times (knit 1 row from the WS). Knit 4 rows in white. Bind off 3 sts at the beginning of every WS row while continuing to work ragian decreases at the opposite end of the work. At the same time, knit 2 rows in black, 2 rows in white, then stockinette stitch in white until all sleeve stitches have been bound off

Finishing

Weave in then ends and sew fronts, back and sleeves together at the ragian seams from the RS. Then sew the armholes, the sleeve and side seams.

Neck edge

Start at the right front and pick up and knit stitches with black and a 2,5 mm circular needle. Knit the stitches from the stitch holder onto the needle. Pick up 1 stitch for each bound off stitch on the right front and sleeve, knit all the stitches from the back stitch holder onto the needle, then continue picking up 1 stitch for each bound off stitch on the left sleeve and front. Knit the stitches from the left stitch holder onto the needle (a total of approx. 130 (138) 144 (150) sts. work a chained edge and knit 3 sts across the 5 front edge sts. Work k1, p1 ribbing across all other sts – a total of 14 (15) 15(16) rows. Bind off in patter. Lightly steam or gently wash the finished sweater, the let it dry on a flat surface.

Sew in the zipper from the RS using small stitches and black thread. Sew the zipper to the WS of the front edges.

