# Fragaria - a wonderful sweater for kids

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A classic raglan sweater with a fun little detail: a different rib, worked in stripes with a diagonal effect.

Lovely in its simplicity and super easy to knit.

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## **Materials**

150 (200) 250 (300) g of Arwetta Classic by Filcolana the main color (MC, here color 813) and 25 g in the contrast color (CC, here color 807).

3 mm circular needle, 60 and 40 cm long

3 mm double-pointed needles for the sleeves (or use a long circular needle and the magic loop technique) Markers or loops of yarn in 2 different color

#### **Sizes**

2 years/92 cl (4 years/104 cl) 6 years/116 cl (8 years/128 cl)

### **Measurements**

Body, chest: 54 -56 (58-60) 62-64 (66 -68) cm

Sweater, chest: 65 (68) 72 (76) cm Sleeve length: 25 (28) 32 (35) cm Total length: 33 (36) 40 (44) cm

# Gauge

28 sts and 36 rows in stockinette stitch on 3 mm needles =  $10 \times 10$  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.

S2kp: Slip 2 sts, k1, pass the slipped stitches over. (= 2 sts decreased)





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#### **Diagonal ribbing**

Worked in the round with a stitch number divisible by 4

All rounds: \*K2, yarn over, k2tog\*. Repeat from \* to \* to end of round.

## **Directions for knitting**

The sweater is knit in the round to the armholes. Then stitches are bound off for the armholes. The sleeves are knit and joined to the body over where stitches were bound off. The yoke is worked with raglan decreases every 4th round (double decreases)

## **Body**

Cast on 180 (188) 200 (212) sts on a 3 mm circular needle using CC. Join in the round, place a marker for the beginning of the round and work in diagonal ribbing.

Work stripes by alternating 3 rounds in CC and 3 rounds in MC until a total of 3 (3) 4 (4) stripes in CC have been worked. Change to MC and stockinette stitch. Place a marker after 90 (94) 100 (106) sts to mark the side seam.

Work straight in stockinette stitch until the body measures 22 (24) 27 (30) cm.

Divide the work into front and back:

Bind off 4 (4) 5 (5) sts, knit 82 (86) 90 (96) sts, bind off 8 (8) 10 (10) sts, knit 82 (86) 90 (96) sts and bind off the next 4 (4) 5 (5) sts. Break the yarn and let the body rest.

### Sleeves

Cast on 44 (48) 48 (52) sts with CC on 3 mm double pointed needles. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work in diagonal ribbing the same way as for the hem on the body. Change to MC and stockinette stitch.

Increase round: K1, M1, knit to the last stitch on the round, M1, k1. (= 2 sts increased).

Work an increase round every 5th round a total of 15 (16) 19 (20) times = 74 (80) 86 (92) sts on the needle.

Work straight until the sleeve measures 25 (28) 32 (35) cm. Bind off the first 4 (4) 5 (5) sts and the last 4 (4) 5 (5) sts of the next round (= 66 (72) 76 (82) sts on the needle).

Break the yarn and work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

Join the sleeves to either side of the body over where stitches were bound off. (= i alt 296 (316) 332 (356) sts on the needle).

# Raglan yoke

Place markers the 4 places where the sleeves meet the body. Place a special marker for the beginning of the round - where the right sleeve meet the front. Join the yarn at the beginning of the round and knit 1 round, then work decreases for the raglan:

Round 2: \*K1, k3tog, knit to 4 sts before the next marker, s2kp, k1, slip marker\*. Repeat from \* to \* to end of round. (= 16 sts decreased).

Work 3 round straight in stockinette stitch. Repeat the raglan decreases every 4th round a total of 10 (11) 12(13) times = 136 (140) 140 (148) sts on the needle.

On the last decrease round, the 14 (16) 16 (20) center front sts (before the beginning of the round marker) are placed on a stitch holder without being knit. Turn and purl back.

Bind off for the neckline at the beginning of the following rows while continuing to work raglan decreases every 4th row.

Bind off 4 (4) 5 (5) sts at the beginning of the row either side, then 3 (3) 3 (3) sts either side and then 3 (3) 4 (4) sts either side until all sleeve stitches have been bound off. Bind off the remaining back of neck stitches.

# **Neck edge**

Start at the beginning of round marker and pick up and knit stitches with a 40 cm long circular needle and MC. Pick up and knit 1 stitch for every bound off stitch, and knit the stitches from the stitch holder over onto the needle. You need between 120 and 140 sts.

Work 3 round of k1, p1 ribbing. Change to CC and bind off knit-wise.

#### **Finishing**

Weave in the ends and sew the little seams under each arm from the RS.

Lightly steam or wash the sweater and leave it on a flat surface to dry

