Ivalo - a wonderful textured sweater

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This is the warmest and most cosy wool sweater you could knit for yourself. The yarn is made from the purest natural wool from Greeenlandic sheep and the textured pattern is made up of simple knit and purl.

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Materials

500 (550) 600 (700) g of Genuine Greenland Wool by Filcolana

5 mm circular needle, 40 and 80 cm long 5 mm dpns

Sizes

S (M) L (XL)

Measurements

Sweater, chest: 94 (102) 110 (120) cm Sleeve length: 48 (48) 49 (49)

Gauge

16 sts and 22 rows in chart pattern on 5 mm needle = 10×10 cm (very slightly stretched lengthwise).

Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked seamlessly in the round from the bottom up. The yoke is worked with raglan decreases.

Body

Cast on 148 (164)176 (192) sts using a 5 mm circular needle. Place a marker for the beginning of the round and another after 74 (82) 88 (96) sts, to mark the other "side seam". Work straight in chart pattern until the body measures 40 (41) 42 (44) cm.

Bind off 8 sts at either side seam (4 before and 4





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after each marker) = 66 (74) 80 (88) sts on back and front.

Let the work rest on the needle while the sleeve are knit.

Sleeves

Cast on 40 (40) 44 (44) sts on 5 mm dpns. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

Work 12 rounds straight in chart pattern.

Begin increasing when the sleeve measures 7 (7) 8 (8) cm:

Increase 1 st on either side of the marker every 6th round a total of 10 (12) 12 (14) times = 60 (64) 68 (72) sts on the needle. When the work measures 48 (48) 49 (49) cm or the desired length, bind off 4 sts on either side of the marker = 52 (56) 60 (64) sts on the needle.

Knit a second sleeve the same way as the first.

Yoke

Place the sleeves onto the circular needle that hold the body, where the bound off stitches are = 236 (260) 280 (304) sts on the needle. Place a marker at the 4 joining point between body and sleeves = 4 markers.

Work in the round in pattern while working raglan decreases: *Work to 2 sts before marker, slip1, knit1, pass the slipped stitch over (SKP), slip marker, k2tog. Repeat from * at all 4 markers.

Work the raglan decreases on every other round a total of 17 (19) 21 (23) times.

There are now 100 (108) 112 (120) sts left on the needle.

Split the work a the center front to shape the neck-line: Place the 8 (10) 10 (12) sts at the center of the front on a stitch holder or length of scrap yarn. Work back and forth across remaining stitches, while binding off 2 sts at the beginning of the round a total of 4 times. Then bind off 1 sts at the beginning of every round a total of 2 (4) 6 (8) times. Continue to work raglan decreases every RS row.

Neck edge

Pick up and knit stitches along the neck edge using the short circular needle:

Knit across the sts on the needle, pick up and knit 1 stitch for every bound off stitch along the sleeve and neck edge, knit across the centre front stitches on the stitch holder, then pick up and knit stitches along the second neck and sleeve edge.

Knit one round while working raglan decreases to tighten the neck. Bind off all stitches.

Finishing

Weave in the ends and sew up the little holes under each sleeve.

Steam the work lightly or wash it in lukewarm soapy water, rinse it thoroughly and leave it on a flat surface to dry.



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purl on the RS

Repeat the 8 rounds