# Lobelia - a frilled sweater for girls

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A lovely cardigan for girls, worked in Arwetta Classic with a sweet and very feminine frilly edge at the hem, and with a wonderful square neckline. Wonderful to knit and lovely to wear.

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### **Materials**

150 (150) 200 (250) g of Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in color 267

3 mm circular needle, 60 cm or 80 long

Markers

2 stitch holders

6 small buttons (all sizes)

#### 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 (65-66) cm

Sweater, chest: 63 (67) 72 (75) cm Sleeve length: 22 (26) 30 (34) cm Length to armhole: 21 (23) 26 (29) cm

#### Gauge

28 sts and 40 rows in stotckinette stitch on 3 mm needles =  $10 \times 10$  cm

## Special abbreviations

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





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<u>Skp</u>: slip 1 stitch, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the knit one.

<u>Edge sts</u>: Work a 2 stitch chained edge along the front edges:

All RS rows: Knit the 2 first and 2 last stitches. All WS rows: Slip the 2 first and 2 last stitches purlwise with the yarn held in front.

Note: When turning to work the RS row, the working yarn will be attached to the 3rd stitch.

## Special techniques

The front edges are worked over a total of 7 sts each, with 2 edge sts at the very edge and 5 garter stitches.

Buttonholes are worked from the RS: 2 edge sts (k), k2tog, 2 yo, skp, k1. Knit both yarn overs through the back loop on the next row.

## **Directions for knitting**

The cardigan is worked back and forth in 1 piece - including the front edges, to the armholes. Here the work is split into 2 fronts and a back. The sleeves are the knit and joined with the body and then the yoke is worked in one piece.

### **Body**

Cast on 310 (328) 355 (373) sts loosely on a 3 mm circular needle.

#### Ribbing

Row 1 (WS): \*P4, k5\*. Repeat from \* to \*. End with p4.

Row 2-9: Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts, while remembering to work the edge sts at the beginning and end of each row.

Note: Work another 2 rows as above for size 6 and 8 years (a total of 11 rows)

Row 10 (10) 12 (12): \*K4, p2tog, p1, p2tog\*. Repeat from \* to \*. End with k4.

Row 11 (11) 13 (13): Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts.

Row 12 (12) 14 (14): \*K4, p3tog\*. Repeat from \* to \*. End with k4.

Row 13 (13) 15 (15): Knit the knit sts and purl the

174 (184) 199 (209) sts on the needle.

Cast on 6 sts at either front edge for the front buttonhole edge (right front) and button band (left side). Work front edges over the first and last 7 sts of each row, so the first and last stitch of the frill now become part of the front edges.

Place a marker at the right side seam - after 48 (51) 54 (57) sts (= the right front edges) and again after another 90 (94) 103 (107) sts (= back sts). The last 48 (51) 54 (57) sts make up the left front.

Work straight in stockinette stitch with 7 sts for the buttonhole edge at the beginning of each RS row, and

7 sts for the button band at the end of each RS row. Work the first buttonhole of the 4th row, as described above. Work a buttonhole every 5,5 (6) 6,5 (7) cm. Bind off for the armholes, when the work measures 21 (23) 26 (29) cm: Work to 5 sts before the marker, bind off 11 sts, work to 6 sts before the second marker and bind off 11 sts.

(5 sts have been bound off on each front and 6 at the beginning and end of the back. There are now 164 (174) 189 (199) sts on the needle).

Let the work rest, while the sleeves are knit.

#### Sleeves

Cast on 40 (42) 44 (46) sts and knit 10 rows. Increase 6 sts evenly across the next row.

Continue in stockinette stitch, while working an increase row every 6th row a total of 12 (15) 17 (20) times. There are now 70 (78) 84 (92) sts on the needle.

Increase row (RS): K1, M1, knit to the last stitch, M1, k1.

Work straight in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures (26) 30 (34) cm.

Bind off 6 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows = 58 (66) 72 (80) sts on the needle.

Knit the second sleeve the same way as the first. Strik det andet ærme på samme måde. join the sleeves to the body over where stitches were bound off for the armholes. Place markers the 4 places where the sleeves meet the back and fronts. There are a now a total of 280 (306) 333 (359) sts on the needle.

## Raglan yoke

Work back and forth across all sts, working decreases at the 4 raglan markers on every RS row: Work to 3 sts before the marker, \*skp, k1, slip marker, k1, k2tog\*. Repeat from \* to \* at each of the 4 markers, work to end of row (= 8 sts decreased).

Work the raglan decreases every RS row another 17 (19) 21 (23) times.

Place the sts of both front (to the marker) on stitch holders for the neckline.

Work across the sleeve and back sts, while at the same time binding off sts at the beginning of each row.

Bind off 6 (7) 8 (9) sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then 4 (5) 6 (7) sts, the 4 (4) 4 (6) sts. (All are sleeve sts). Bind off all remaining sts, then break the yarn.

#### Neck edge

Join the yarn on the RS, right inside the 7 stitches of the buttonhole band (right front). Knit all the right front sts from the stitch, then pick up and knit 1 stitch for each bound off stitch along the right shoulder, back and left shoulder and knit the stitches for the left front from the stitch holder.

Knit a total of 9 (11) 11 (11) rows in garter stitch, working raglan decreases as before, on the 3rd, 5th and 7th row and s buttonhole on the 6th row.

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Bind off from the RS. Knit the 2 first and last sts on the row together before binding them off (the edge sts) and work decreases at the raglans as well, to create "sharp" corners for the square neckline.

## **Finishing**

Weave in the ends. Sew the sleeve and underarm seams.

Sew the little buttons on across from the buttonholes. Gently steam the finished work, or wash it, pull it into shape making sure to fan out the frill and leave it to dry on a flat surface.

