Ulveunger - a wonderful kids sweater

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Celebrating the fact that the wolf has returned to Denmark with a sweater covered in wolf cub heads. Children love animal kids. The raglan sweater is simple to knit and has special charm since the eyes of each cub head looks slightly different from the others due to differences in yarn tension, giving each cute cub individual character.

The sweater is worked seamlessly in the round and the neck edge rib is worked using plenty of stitches, so the sweater is easy to slip over the head.

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Materials

Arwetta Classic by Filcolana:

100 (100) 150 (150) g in the Main Color (MC - beige, color 971)

100 (150) 150 (200) g in the Contrast Color (CC - brown, color 201)

3 mm circular needle, 60 cm or 80 cm long (80 cm for the 2 largest sizes)

3 mm double-pointed needles for the sleeves 2,5 mm short circular needle for the neck edge Markers or loops of yarn

Stitch holders

Sizes

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





Measurements

Chest, body: 56 (60) 64 (70)cm Chest, sweater: 69 (74) 79 (84) cm

Sleeve length to armhole: 32 (35) 38 (40) cm Total length mid back: 43(48) 53 (58) cm (depending on whether you wish to finish the neck off with a

complete pattern repeat!)

Gauge

30 sts and 38 rows in stockinette stitch in charted pattern on a 3 mm needle = 10×10 cm.

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Special abbreviations

M1: Make 1 (increase). Lift the bar between the stitches onto the left needle and knit into the back of it. Skp: slip1, knit1, pass the slipped stitch over.

Directions for knitting

The body of the sweater is worked in the round to the armholes, where stitches are bound off. The sleeves are then knit and joined to the body over where stitches were bound off for the armholes. Then the raglan yoke is worked in the round to the neckline. After stitches have been bound off at the front of the neckline, the work is finished knitting back and forth.

Body

Cast on 186 (202) 218 (234) sts using CC and a 2,5 mm circular needle. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

Alternate between 3 row in CC and 3 rows in MC in k1, p1 ribbing until a total of 5 (7) 7 (7) stripes have been worked. Finish with a stripes in CC.

Change to a 3 mm circular needle and increase 22 sts evenly across the next round to a total of 208 (224) 240 (256) sts on the needle. Place a second marker after 104 (112) 120 (128) sts for marking the "side seam".

Work straight in the charted wolf cub pattern until the work measures 28 (31) 34 (36) cm.

Bind off 11 sts for each armhole. Bind off 5 sts after each marker and 6 sts before each (to make the pattern symmetrical!).

Let the body rest and knit the sleeves.

Sleeves

Cast on 40 (42) 44 (48) sts using CC and 3 mm double-pointed needles. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

Work ribbing the same way as for the body. Change to stockinette stitch and knit 1 round with MC, increasing 16 sts evenly across the round, ie. increase 4 sts on each of the 4 double-pointed needles. (= 56 (58) 60 (64) sts on the needle).

Work the charted pattern while working and increase row every 5th row a total of 17 (20) 23 (25) times. Increase row: K1 in MC, M1, work in pattern until there is 1 st left of the round, M1, k1 in MC.

The 2 sts between the increases are worked in MC on all rounds.

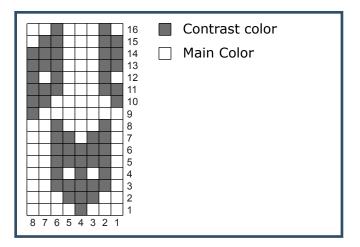
90 (98) 106 (114) sts on the needle.

Work straight in pattern until the sleeve measures approx. 32 (35) 38 (40) m, ending on the same row of the pattern as on the body.

Bind off for the armhole, by binding off the first 5 sts and the last 6 sts of the round = 11 sts distributed on either side of the "sleeve seam" so the pattern is symmetrical.

79 (87) 95 (103) sts on the needle.

Join the sleeve to the body over where sts were bound off. Work the second sleeve the same way as he first.



Raglan

Place markers the places where the sleeves meet the front and back. The beginning of the round is where the right sleeve meets the front, place a special marker here. There are now a total of 344 (376) 408 (440) sts on the needle.

Work in pattern in the round while working raglan decreases:

Work from the beginning of the round (1st marker): k1, k2tog, knit to 3 sts before the next marker, skp, k1*. Repeat from * to * to end of round (= 8 sts have been decreased).

Note: The 2 sts between the raglan decreases are worked in CC on all rounds!

Work decreases every other round a total of 19 (21) 22 (23) times.

Work a round without decreases. Break the yarn at the beginning of the round and place the 19 (21) 23 (25) centermost front sts on a stitch holder for the neckline.

Work back and forth in pattern, starting right after the sts on the stitch holder, continuing to work raglan decreases every RS row (starting with the first row). Bind off for the neckline by binding off 4 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then 2 sts at the beginning of the next 4 rows, then 1 st at the beginning of every row until all the sts for the front have been bound off or decreased for the raglans (all sizes). If you wish you can then finish the wolf cub pattern repeat for the neck. Let the remaining sts rest on the needle.

Neck edge

Pick up and knit sts for the neck edge using CC and the small circumference 2,5 mm circular needle: Knit across the resting sts on the circular needle and the stitch holder and pick up and knit 1 st for every bound off stitch along the neck edge. You need to end up with a even number of sts - approx. 130 (138) 144 (150) sts.

Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work in k1, p1 ribbing, alternating between 3 rounds in CC and 3 rounds in MC, until

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there is a total of 5 stripes (all sizes). Bind loosely off in pattern. Use a larger needle for the bind off if necessary.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Sew up the holes under the arms. Steam the work lightly or wash it and place it on a flat surface to dry.

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