${\sf Rav}\,$ - a soft and feminine cardigan

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Rav is a soft and feminine cardigan with a beautiful flowering branch of lilies on the circular yoke. The lily symbolises beauty and is a metaphor for "the beloved". At first glance the lilies on the yoke look white, but at closer inspection you see that they are actually a soft rose colour. Both the gorgeous amber (rav in Danish) coloured base and the soft rose for the lily pattern are created by holding two different coloured strands of our Kid Silk Mohair Tilia together.

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Materials

Main colour:

125 (150) 175 (200) g Tilia by Filcolana in colour 136 (Mustard)

And 125 (150) 175 (200) g Tilia by Filcolana in colour 354 (Light Truffle)

Pattern colour:

25 (25) 25 (50) g Tilia by Filcolana in colour 101 (Natural White)

and 25 (25) 25 (50) g Tilia by Filcolana in colour 321 (Sakura)

- the two colours of Tilia are held together in both the main colour and the pattern colour

8 (8) 8 (10) buttons, 1,8 cm in diameter 3 mm circular needle, 40 cm 3 mm and 3,5 mm circular needle, 80/100 cm

3 mm and 3,5 mm double-pointed needles Stitch markers







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Sizes

(S) M (L) XL

Measurements

Body, chest: 80-86 (86-94) 94-102 (102-108) cm

Cardigan, chest: 90 (98) 106 (112) cm Sleeve length: 45 (46) 47 (47) cm Total length: 54 (57) 59 (61) cm

Body length to armhole: 28 (30) 31 (32) cm

Gauge

23 sts x 28 rows in pattern and stockinette stitch on 3,5 mm needles with two strands of Tilia = 10×10 cm

Special abbreviations

Tbl: Through the back loop.

M1 (Make 1): From the front, lift the horizontal strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the back loop.

Special techniques

Short rows - GSR (German short rows): Work to where the turn needs to be, turn, then slip the first stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front. Bring the working yarn up and over the needle and down on the other side, pulling hard enough on the yarn to make the stitch on the needle look like a double stitch (the 2 legs of the stitch are visible). Continue row as pattern describes.

When working across the stitch that looks like a double stitch, work it as 1 stitch, either knitting or purling the 2 legs together, as the pattern describes.

Directions for knitting

The cardigan is worked in the rounds from the top down and steeked at the end. Steeking stitches are cast on after the rib neck edge has been worked back and forth. Once the yoke has been worked with the charted pattern, the stitches are divided for body and sleeve. The body is worked in the round to the hem. Then the sleeves are worked. Then the steek is prepared and cut. The raw edges are folded under and tacked down, then rib is worked along both front edges.

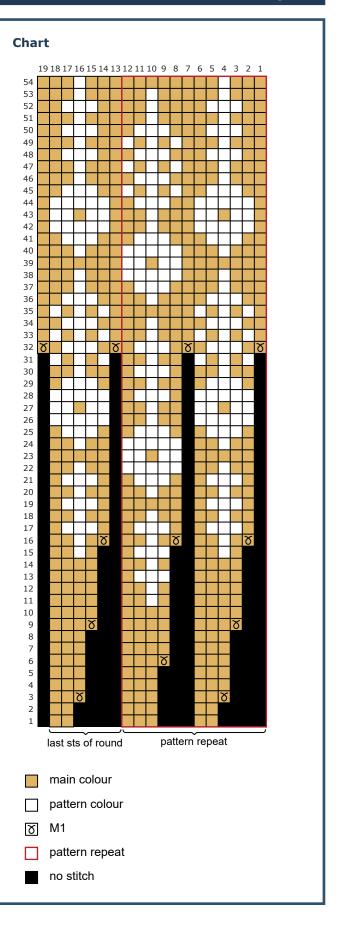
Read before beginning

The cardigan is worked in two strands of Tilia held together for both the main colour and the pattern colour. Take care to maintain the same gauge across both pattern and stockinette stitch. The pattern has short rows on the yoke to raise the back of the neck and shape the neck edge.

Yoke

Cast on 109 (115) 121 (127) sts for the neck edge on a 3 mm circular needle with the main colour (two strands of Tilia).

Work back and forth in rib with the first and last sts worked as selvedge sts that are knitted on all rows as follows:



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Row 1 (RS): K1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to *, end with p1, k1.

Row 2: K1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Work Row 1 and 2 a total of 6 times (a total of 12 rows).

Change to a 3,5 mm needle.

Now work short rows to raise the neck as follows: **Short row 1 (RS):** Knit 62 (65) 68 (71) sts, turn (see technique at top of pattern).

Short row 2 (WS): P15, turn.

Short rows 3: Knit to 10 sts after the last RS turn, turn.

Short rows 4: Purl to 10 sts after the last WS turn, turn.

Work Short row 3 and 4 a total of 4 times. Last short row (RS): Knit to end of row.

Divide the two sts and cast on 22 new sts in extension of the sts on the needle using the long-tail method for steeking and facing sts. These 22 sts are worked as follows on all rounds: P8 (facing sts, for folding under), k6 (steeking sts), p8 (facing sts, for folding under).

Place a marker on either side of these new sts and join the work in the round.

On the pattern rounds of the yoke, these 22 sts are now worked in pattern. Instead the sts are worked with all 4 strands of yarn (i.e. both the main colour and the pattern colour) held together. Note that these 22 sts are not counted in the stitch counts given below.

Also note that the stitch before and after these 22 sts are still worked as selvedge sts (which are knitted in the main colour on all rounds) and not in pattern.

Now work in the round in the main colour, while increasing 15 (17) 23 (27) sts evenly across the next round (not including the 22 steeking sts). There are now a total of 124 (134) 144 (154) m.

Work 3 rounds in stockinette stitch.

Now work all rows of the pattern.

There are now a total of 297 (321) 345 (369) sts on the needle.

Work in the round in stockinette stitch until the yoke measures 26 (27) 28 (29) cm.

Divide the sts for sleeves and body as follows: Knit Strik k1 (selvedge stitch), knit 40 (44) 50 (54) sts (right front), place the next 64 (68) 68 (72) sts on a stitch holder (right sleeve), cast on 10 (12) 12 (12) new sts in extension of the sts on the needle, knit 87 (95) 107 (115) sts (back), place the next 64 (68) 68 (72) sts on a stitch holder (left sleeve), cast on 10 (12) 12 (12) new sts in extension of the sts on the needle, knit 40 (44) 50 (54) sts (left front), k1 (selvedge stitch), work across steeking sts.

Body

Work in round in stockinette stitch across the 189

(209) 233 (249) sts for the body until the work measures approx. 20 (22) 24 (24) cm from where the sts were divided – or desired length to rib.

Bind off the 22 steeking sts between the markers. Change to a 3 mm needle and work back and forth. Work 8 cm in rib (k1, p1). Bind off loosely in rib.

Sleeves

Place the 64 (68) 68 (72) sts for the first sleeve on 3,5 mm double-pointed needles (or on a long circular needle if using the Magic Loop technique). Pick up and knit 10 (12) 12 (12) sts along the underarm sts on the body. There are now a total of 74 (80) 80 (84) sts on the needle.

Place a marker for beginning of the round in the middle of the picked up underarm sts.

Decrease round: K1, k2tog, knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, k1.

Continue in stockinette stitch while working a decrease round every 8th (8th) 8th (8th) round a total of 8 (9) 9 (9) times. There are now a total of 58 (62) 62 (66) sts on the needle.

Work straight in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 37 (38) 39 (39) cm – or desired length before rib.

Change to 3 mm needle and work 8 cm in rib (k1, p1).

Bind off in rib.

Work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

Front edge

The front edges are knitted onto the fronts before the steek is cut.

<u>Left front edge (with buttons)</u>: Pick up and knit sts from the RS along the selvedge sts along the left front edge (before the 22 steeking sts) with a 3 mm needle and the main colour. Begin at the top of the neck edge and pick up and knit approx. 8 sts for every 9 rows. The total number of sts must be an odd number.

Work back and forth in rib as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Row 2 (RS): K1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Work Row 1 and 2 a total of 5 times. Work Row 1 once more.

Bind off in rib from the RS.

Right front edge (with buttonholes): Pick up and knit sts from the RS along the selvedge sts along the right front edge with a 3 mm needle and the main colour. Begin at the hem and pick up and knit the same number sts as for the let front edge.

Work 5 rows back and forth in rib the same as for the left front edge. Work buttonholes on the 6th row.

<u>Buttonholes are worked as follows</u>: The first and last buttonhole are worked 6 sts from the top and bottom edges. The remaining 6 (6) 8 (8) buttonholes are

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placed evenly between these. Work as follows: Yarn over, k1, place the stitch back on the left needle, k2tog.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Sew a seam on a sewing machine along the 2nd and 4th of the steeking sts (the middle 6 of the 22 sts). Cut the steak then carefully press the facing sts to the WS and sew them in place.

<u>Note</u>: It can be helpful to sew a line of basting sts along the right and left front creating a line on the WS where the facing sts are to be sewn down.

Gently wash the work according to the directions of the yarn label and lay it to dry on a flat surface.

Vask trøjen efter vaskeanvisningerne på garnet, centrifuger let og lad sweateren tørre liggende.

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