# Fleur de lys - a slip stitch jacket

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A warm jacket with pockets in a simple yet exciting slip stitch pattern. A fun and quick knit, and a warm and cosy knit for cold days. A definite candidate for favorite sweater.

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# **Materials**

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400 (400) 500 (600) g in color A (here color 995 - dark brown melange)

300 (400) 400 (400) g in color B (here color 292 - royal blue)

300 (400) 400 (400) g in color C (here color 257 - mint)

6 and 8 mm circular needles, 80 cm long or longer (the cardigan is worked back and forth on the circular needle)

7 buttons

# Sizes

S (M) L (XL)

#### **Measurements**

Sweater, body: 82-90 (90-98) 98-106 (106-114) cm Sweater, chest: Approx. 94 (104) 114 (124) cm Sleeve length to armhole: Ca. 44 (45) 46 (46) cm Total length: Approx. 55 (57) 60 (63) cm

# Gauge

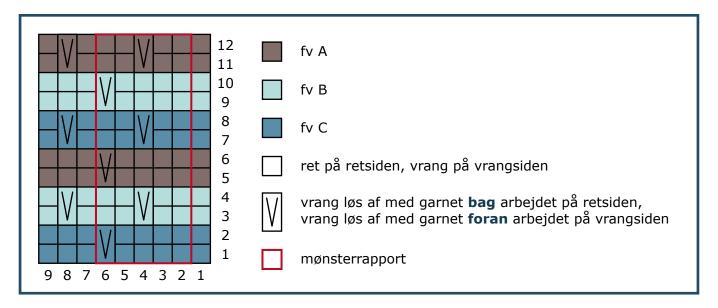
16 sts and 30 rows on 8 mm needles in the slip stitch pattern =  $10 \times 10$  cm.



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#### Special abbreviations

<u>Sl1 wyib</u>: Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in the back

<u>SI1 wyif</u>: Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in the front

<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.

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

#### **Edge stitches**

The first and last stitch of every row are knit. These stitches are not part of the pattern.

#### 3-color Slip Stitch

Number of stitches divisible by 4 + 3 + 2 edge stitches.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1 (= edge stitch), \*k3, sl1 wyib\*. Repeat from \*-\* to the last 4 sts, k4 (last stitch = edge stitch).

**Row 2:** K1 (= edge stitch), \*k3, sl1 wyif\*, Repeat from \*-\* to the last 4 sts, k4 (last stitch = edge stitch). Change color.

**Row 3:** K1 (= edge stitch), k1, sl1 wyib, \*k3, wyib\*. Repeat from \*-\* to the last 2 sts, k2 (last stitch = edge stitch).

**Row 4:** K1 (= edge stitch), k1, sl1 wyif, \*k3, sl1 wyif\*. Repeat from \*-\* to the last 2 sts, k2 (last stitch = edge stitch). Change color.

Repeat Row 1-4 while at the same time changing colors every 2 rows – always on the RS, and always in the following order: color B, color C, color A. Do not break the yarn when changing colors, but carry the yarn along the edge of the work until the next time it's worked.

### **Directions for knitting**

First work the body in one piece to the pockets. Then work the pocket linings. Join the pocket inners to the

fronts and continue to the armholes. Finish the back and each front separately. The shoulder seams are bound off together using the 3-needle bind-off. Then the sleeves are worked, sewn together and sewn to the armholes. Finally edges are knit, the pocket linings are sewn to the wrong side of the fronts and the buttons are sewn on.

#### **Body**

Cast on 149 (165) 181 (197) sts on a 6 mm needle using color A. Knit 5 (5) 7 (7) rows (Row 1 is a WS row). Change to a 8 mm needle and color B, and work the slip stitch pattern, while changing colors every 2 rows, as described above until the work measures approx. 15 (16) 18 (18) cm. End on a WS row. Let the work rest, while the pocket linings are worked.

#### **Pockets**

Note that the stockinette stitch pocket linings are worked on smaller needles than the slip stitch pattern, because the gauge is different in stockinette stitch.

Cast on 17 (17) 19 (19) sts on a 6 mm needle using color C. Work a total of 25 (27) 29 (29) rows in stockinette stitch. Knit the first and last stitch of every row (Row 1 is a WS row). Break the yarn and work a second lining the same way as the first.

Join the pocket linings to the body (RS): Work 16 (16) 18 (20) sts in pattern, place the next 17 (17) 19 (19) sts on a stitch holder or length of scrap yarn, knit across the 17 (17) 19 (19) sts of one of the pocket linings (hold the pocket with the RS facing forward), work in pattern across the sts of the body until there are 33 (33) 37 (39) sts left on the left needle, place the next 17 (17) 19 (19) sts on a stitch holder or length of scrap yarn, knit the 17 (17) 19 (19) sts of the second pocket lining the same way as the first, work in pattern to end of row.

**Next row:** Work the sts for the body in pattern, knit the 17 (17) 19 (19) sts for each pocket.

Continue in pattern as established across all sts - incl. the pockets until the work measures 35 (36) 38 (41) cm. End on a WS row.

**Next row (RS):** Work 32 (34) 38 (42) sts, bind off the next 9 (13) 13 (13) sts for the armhole, work until there are 41 (47) 51 (55) sts left on the left needle, bind off the next 9 (13) 13 (13) sts, work to end of row.

There are now 32 (34) 38 (42) sts on each front and 67 (71) 79 (87) sts on the back. Finish each section separately – beginning with the left front.

#### Left front

Continue in pattern across the 32 (34) 38 (42) sts for the left front, while at the same time binding off sts for the armhole:

Bind off - (-) - (3) sts at the armhole every other row a total of 0 (0) 0 (1) time

Bind off 2 sts at the beginning of every other row a total of 0 (0) 1 (1) time.

Bind off 1 stitch at the beginning of every other row a total of 3 (3) 3 (2) times.

Work 3 rows straight after the last bind off, then bind off 1 stitch once more at the armhole.

There are now 28 (30) 32 (34) sts on the needle. Continue straight in pattern until the work measures 47 (49) 51 (53) cm. End on a RS row.

Shape the neckline, by binding off 4 (5) 5 (6) sts at neck edge at the beginning of the next row. Then continue the shaping by binding off 3 sts at the neck edge every other row a total of 1 time, then 2 sts 1 time, then 1 stitch a total of 4 times. There are now 15 (16) 18 (19) sts on the needle. Continue straight in pattern until the work measures 55 (57) 60 (63) cm, then place the remaining sts on a stitch holder or length of scrap yarn.

#### **Right front**

Join the yarn at the right armhole and work across the right front, beginning with a WS row. Work the same way as for the left front, only mirror reversed.

#### Back

Join the yarn at the left armhole and work across the back, beginning with a WS row. Bind off for the armholes at armholes the same way as on the fronts. There are now 59 (63) 67 (71) sts on the needle. Continue straight in pattern until the work measures 53 (55) 58 (61) cm. End on a WS row.

Bind off for the neck edge on the next row (RS): Work 20 (20) 22 (24) sts, bind off 19 (23) 23 (23) sts, work 20 (20) 22 (24) sts. Finish each shoulder separately.

Bind off another 5 (4) 4 (5) sts at the neck edge on the next row beginning at the neck edge. Continue straight in pattern until the work measures 55 (57) 60 (63) cm. Bind off the shoulder sts with the corresponding front shoulder using the 3-needle bind-off.

Finish the second shoulder the same way as the first, only mirror reversed. Bind off together with the corresponding front shoulder the same way as the first.

#### **Sleeves**

Cast on 31 (31) 35 (35) sts on a 6 mm needle. Knit 4 (4) 6 (6) rows (Row 1 is a WS row).

Next row: K1, M1, knit to the last stitch, M1, k1. There are now 33 (33) 37 (37) sts on the needle. Change to a 8 mm needle and color B and work the slip stitch pattern, while at the same time working an increase row on the 13th (9th) 9th (3rd) row and every 8th after that a total of 11 (13) 13 (14) times. Increase row: K1, M1, work in pattern to the last stitch, M1, k1.

There are now 57 (61) 65 (71) sts on the needle. New sts are worked in pattern. Continue straight in pattern until the sleeve measures approx. 44 (45) 46 (46) cm. End on a row with the same color as the last on on the body.

**Bind off sts to shape the sleeve cap:** Bind off 5 (7) 7 (7) sts at the beginning of the row a total of 2 times, then 3 (-) 3 (3) sts a total of 2 times, then 2 sts a total of 2 (4) 2 (2) times, then 1 stitch a total of 16 (16) 18 (16) times, then 2 sts a total of 2 times, then 3 a total of 2 times, then - (-) - (4) sts a total of 2 times. Bind off the remaining 11 (13) 13 (13) sts. Work a second sleeve the same way as the first.

#### **Finishing**

Sew the sleeve seams from the RS using mattress stitch, working only through the outer half of the edge stitches. Sew the sleeves to the armholes from the RS using mattress stitch - also here working only with half of the outermost stitch.

The shoulder seams are lovely and flat, but also very stretchy, so it is necessary to make them more rigid. Otherwise the weight of the sleeves will pull at the shoulders. Sew a row of basting stitches on the WS along the shoulder "seams", using either the pattern yarn or a thinner yarn in a matching color. Fasten one end of the seam and adjust the length of the basted seam so the most it's able to stretch is approx. 9 (10) 11 (12) cm. Fasten the other end of the seam, thus ensuring the shoulder seam will not elongate.

**Left front edge:** From the RS, pick up and knit 64 (67) 70 (76) sts along the left front edge with a 6 mm needle and color A. Make sure to pick up a stitch from the cast on edge.

Row 1 (WS): Knit all sts.

Row 2: Knit to the last stitch, sl1 wyif.

Work Row 1 and 2 a total of 3 times. Work Row 1 once more.

Bind off.

**Right front edge:** Pick up and knit the same number of sts as for the left front.

Row 1 (WS): Knit to the last stitch, sl1 wyif.

Row 2: Knit all sts.

Row 3: Work as Row 1.

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Row 4: Knit 2 (2) 5 (4) sts, \*k2tog, yarn over twice, skp, knit 7 (7) 7 (8) sts\*. Repeat from \*-\* another 4 times, k2tog, yarn over twice, skp, knit to end of row. Work Row 1-3 once more, knitting each yarn over through the back loop (two for each buttonhole). Bind off.

**Neck edge:** Fron the RS, pick up and knit approx. 70 (76) 80 (86) sts evenly along the neck edge - make sure to pick up a stitch from the cast-off edge of either front edge.

Row 1 (WS): Knit to the last stitch, sl1 wyif.

Row 2: Work as Row 1.

Row 3: Work as Row 1.

**Row 4:** K3, k2tog, yarn over twice, skp, knit while decreasing 6 (8) 8 (8) sts evenly across the row to the last stitch, sl1 wyif.

Row 5: Work as Row 1.

**Row 6:** Knit across row while decreasing 6 (8) 8 (8) sts evenly across the row to the last stitch, sl1 wyif.

Row 7: Work as Row 1.

Bind off.

**Pocket edges:** Place the sts for the first pocket onto a 6 mm needle and join color A from the RS. Knit 4 rows. Bind off knit-wise. Work the second pocket the same way.

Weave in all ends. Sew the buttons on across from the buttonholes. Sew the pocket edges at the sides, as invisibly as possible. Sew the pocket linings to the WS of the cardigan.

Gently wash the finished cardigan in approx. 30° water using shampoo or a gentle wool wash. Put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine and place it on a towel. Gently pull it into shape and leave it to dry completely. Never hang the cardigan to dry, as it will pull it out of shapes.

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