# Otto - a sailors' sweater for the boys

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Otto is inspired by the classic sailors' sweaters. A good sailors' sweater is designed to keep the wearer warm and cosy, while at the same fitting the style of the gentleman wearing it. This particular sailors' sweater is designed to please the style of the littlest gentlemen among us.

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### **Materials**

300 (300) 350 (350) 400 g Peruvian Highland Wool by Filcolana in colour 279 (Juicy Green)

4,5 mm circular needle, 60 cm (optionally also 80 cm for the larger sizes)

4 mm and 4,5 mm double-pointed needles Stitch markers in 3 colours:

1 red marker

3 blue markers

2 green markers

1 length of yarn in a contrasting colour

#### Sizes

4 years/104 cl (6 years/116 cl) 8 years/128 cl (10 years/140 cl) 12 years/152 cl

# Measurements

Sweater, chest: 73 (75) 80 (85) 90 cm Sleeve length: 27 (31) 36 (40) 45 cm Total length: 37 (41) 45 (49) 53 cm

### Gauge

17 sts and 23 rows in stockinette stitch on a 4,5 mm needle =  $10 \times 10$  cm.

# **Special abbreviations**

skp: slip 1 stitch, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the knit stitch.

RM: Red marker





GM: Green marker BM: Blue marker

# **Directions for knitting**

This is a simple raglan sweater, worked from the top down with a texture pattern on the front. Short rows are worked on the yoke, to shape the neckline and create a better fit. All raglan increases are made around stitch markers, which are placed in the work. When the yoke has been finished, the work is split

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into body and sleeves and eac hare finished separately.

# Special techniques

The short rows that "shape" the yoke are worked with the shadow twin technique, described on page 4.

### Yoke

Cast on 64 sts on a 4 mm needle. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work 10 rounds of k2, p2 ribbing.

Change to a 4,5 mm needle and work a round of stockinette stitch while placing the following markers: K4, place GM (short row marker), k3, place BM (raglan marker), k14, M1 (mark the increase with a length of contrasting yarn – this is the centre front stitch, which will be used when working the chart on the next round), k14, place BM, k3, place GM, k4, place BM, k22, place RM.

<u>Omg A</u>: Knit to front sts, work charted pattern (count out from the centre stitch to place the charted pattern correctly). Knit to 1 stitch before next RM.

Now work the chart in the middle of the front on all rounds throughout.

Round B (raglan increases): M1, k2, M1, \*knit to 1 stitch before next BM, M1, k2, M1\*, repeat from \* to \* another 2 times, knit to 1 stitch before next RM.

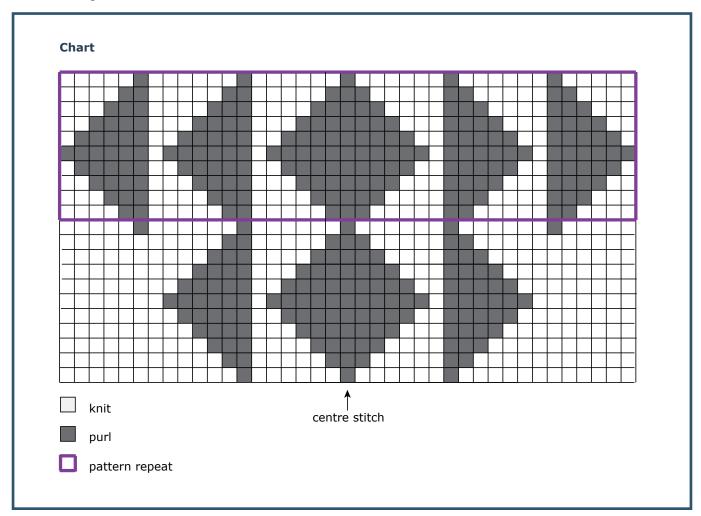
Work Round A. (There are now 9 sts on each sleeve, 31 sts on the front and 24 sts on the back).

Round C (short row, not complete round): M1, k2, M1, knit to 3 sts before next GM, turn on next stitch, purl (past RM) to 1 stitch before next BM, M1, p2, M1, purl to 3 sts before GM, turn on next stitch, knit to 1 stitch before next RM. (There are now 10 sts on each sleeve, 31 sts on the front and 26sts on the back).

Work Round B, then Round A, then Round B and then Round A.

Round D (short row, not complete round): M1, k2, M1, knit to 1 stitch before next GM, turn on next stitch, purl (past RM) to 1 stitch before next BM, M1, p2, M1, purl to 1 stitch before next GM, turn on next stitch, knit to 1 stitch before next RM.

Work Round B, then Round A, then Round B and then



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### Round A.

Round E (short row, not complete round): M1, k2, M1, knit to 5 sts after GM, turn on next stitch, purl (across RM) to 1 stitch before next BM, M1, p2, M1, purl to 5 sts after GM, turn on next stitch, knit to 1 stitch before next RM.

All short rows have now been worked and all GM can be removed on next round.

Work Round B and then Round A.

Repeat Round B and Round until a total of (14) 15 (16) 18 (20) increase rows have been worked between the front and the sleeves.

There are now 38 (40) 42 (46) 50 sts on each sleeve, 56 (58) 60 (64) 68 sts on the back and 57 (59) 61 (65) 69 sts on the front.

# **Body**

Move sts to stitch holders and remove markers on the next round as follows: K1, remove RM, place the 38 (40) 42 (46) 50 sts for the sleeve on a stitch holder, cast on 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 new sts in extension of the sts on the needle, place RM (now marking the beginning of the round), cast on 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 more new sts, knit to BM, remove BM (both the one before and after the sts for the front), place the sts for the second sleeve to a stitch holder, cast on 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 new sts in extension of the sts on the needle, place GM (now marking the side "seam"), cast on 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 more new sts, knit to RM. There are now 125 (129) 137 (145) 153 sts on the needle.

Now work in the round in stockinette stitch with the charted pattern at the centre of the front until you have a total of 8 (9) 10 (11) 12 rhombuses in the middle of the pattern, counted from the neck edge down.

Change to 4 mm needle.

Next round: K2tog, knit to end of round. Work 10 rounds of k2, p2 ribbing. Bind off.

### **Sleeves**

Place the sts for the first sleeve on a 4,5 mm needle. Knit to end of row, pick up and knit 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 sts along the armhole on the body, place RM, pick up and knit 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 more sts. Knit to RM. There are now a total of 44 (46) 50 (54) 58 sts on the needle.

Round F: Knit to 1 stitch before RM. \*Work Round F a total of 5 (6) 6 (7) 7 times.

Round G: K2tog, k2, skp, knit to 1 stitch before RM.\* Repeat from \* to \* another 5 (6) 8 (8) 8 times. There are now 32 (32) 32 (36) 40 sts on the needle. Work straight in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 23 (27) 32 (36) 41 cm. Change to a 4 mm needle. Work 10 rounds of k2, p2 ribbing. Bind off.

Work the second sleeve the same as the first.

### **Finishing**

Weave in the ends. (Optionally place a few sts on either side of the stitches that were picked up in the armhole on the body).

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