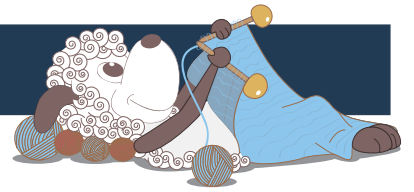


Lemonia - a classic V-neck sweater



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A classic V-neck sweater, but with the addition of glitter on the edges and lovely decreases at the neck and shoulders. The design is worked in Merci and Arwetta Classic held together for a soft and slightly dense knit, with the addition of Paia for a bit of cheery sparkle.

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Materials

250 (250) 300 (300) g Merci by Filcolana in colour 1110 (Duckling)
250 (250) 300 (300) g Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in colour 196 (French Vanilla)
25 (25) 50 (50) g Paia by Filcolana in colour 703 (Gold Shimmer)
3,5 mm circular needle, 60 cm
4,5 mm circular needle, 40 and 60 cm
3,5 mm double-pointed needles

Sizes

S (M) L (XL)

Measurements

Body, chest: 80-88 (88-96) 96-104 (104-112) cm
Sweater, chest: 102 (110) 118 (126) cm
Sleeve length: 43 (44) 45 (46) cm
Total length: 51 (53) 55 (57) cm

Gauge

21 sts and 29 rows in stockinette stitch on a 4,5 mm needle = 10 x 10 cm.

Special abbreviations

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

Directions for knitting

Lemonia is worked from the bottom up. The body is worked in the round to the armholes, then it is divi-



ded for front and back. The back is worked in decreases for the shoulders. The front is divided in two with decreases for the V neck neckline. The shoulder are knitted together and stitches are picked up and knitting for the neck edge.

Stitches for the sleeves are then picked up and knitted along the armholes and the sleeves are worked down front there with decreases and rib cuffs.

Body

Cast on 216 (232) 248 (264) sts on a 3,5 mm circular needle with 1 strand of Arwetta Classic, 1 strand of Merci and 1 strand of Paia. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work 5 cm of k1, p1 rib. Place a second marker after 108 (116) 124 (132) sts for the other "side seam".

Change to a 4,5 mm circular needle and work in stockinette stitch with 1 strand of Arwetta Classic and 1 strand of Merci until the work measures 29 (30) 31 (32) cm.

Slip 8 sts at either marker to a stitch holder (4 before and 4 after each marker).

Back

Work back and forth across the 100 (108) 116 (124) sts for the back in 1 strand of Arwetta Classic and 1 strand of Merci in stockinette stitch. Note: It is important to knit the first and last stitch in stockinette stitch as the sts for the sleeves will be picked up and knitted from these.

End on a WS row, when the armhole measures 16 (17) 18 (19) cm from where the sts were divided for front and back.

Now work decreases as follows:

Next row (RS): K2, k3tog, knit to the last 5 sts, slip the next 2 sts one at a time, k1, pass the slipped sts over, k2.

Work decreases every RS row a total of 11 (12) 13 (14) times. There are now 56 (60) 64 (68) sts left on the needle.

Bind off the remaining sts.

Left front

Join the yarn to the resting sts for the front from the RS and knit across the first 50 (54) 58 (62) sts with 1 strand of Arwetta Classic and 1 strand of Merci. Turn and purl back. Note: Remember to work the first and last stitch in stockinette stitch, as the sts for the sleeve and neck will be picked up and knitted from these.

Continue working back and forth in stockinette stitch across the left front while working a decrease row on the next row as follows (RS): Knit to the last 5 sts, slip the next 2 sts one at a time, k1, pass the slipped sts over, k2.

Work a decrease row every 4th row 13 (14) 15 (16) more times. There are now 22 (24) 26 (28) sts on the left front.

Work straight in these sts until the front measures 23 (24) 25 (26) cm from where the sts were divided. End on a WS row.



Now knit the shoulders together as follows:

Count 22 (24) 26 (28) rows down along the left side of the back (the shoulder) from where the remaining sts were bound off to where the decreases begin and place a marker.

Place the back shoulder and the shoulder sts on the front RS together with the back towards you and knit together as follows:

Insert the right needle through the marked stitch on the back, 1 stitch in from the edge, and then through the first stitch in the front and knit these 2 sts together, *insert the right needle through the next stitch on the back and then through the next stitch on the front and knit these 2 sts together. Pass the first stitch on the right needle over the second as if binding off *, repeat from * to * until all the sts have been bound off.

Right front

Join the yarn to the remaining 50 (54) 58 (62) resting sts for right front and knit with 1 strand of Arwetta Classic and 1 strand of Merci. Turn and purl back.

Continue back and forth in stockinette stitch across the right front while working a decrease row on the next row as follows (RS): K2, k3tog, knit to end of row.

Work the same as the left front, only work the decreases as established above.

Then knit together the right shoulder the same way

as the left, only mirror reversed, so the front held towards you and the right needle is inserted through the stitch on the front first and then the back etc.

Sleeve

Place the resting sts at the underarm back on the needle. Begin in the middle of these sts and knit with 1 strand of Arwetta Classic and 1 strand of Merci as follows: K4, pick up and knit approx. 3 sts for every 4 rows all the way around the armhole – pick up a total of 90 (96) 102 (108) sts, knit the last 4 of the resting sts under the arm, place a marker for the beginning of the round. There are now a total of 98 (104) 110 (116) sts on the needle.

Work in the round in stockinette stitch, while working decreases on the next round as follows: K3, k2tog, knit to the last 5 sts of the round, skp, k3.

Knit 2 rounds.

Next round: K2, k2tog, knit to the last 4 sts of the round, skp, k2.

Knit 2 rounds.

Next round: K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts of the round, skp, k1.

Knit 2 rounds.

Next round: K2tog, knit to the last 2 sts of the round, skp.

Work decreases as described on the last round every 6th round 16 more times. There are now 58 (64) 70 (76) sts on the needle. Work straight in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 38 (39) 40 (41) cm or 5 cm less than desired total length.

Change to 3,5 mm double-pointed needle and 1 strand each of Arwetta Classic, Merci and Paia.

Work decreases on the next round as follows: *Kk-2tog, p1*, repeat from * to * to the last 4 sts of the round, k2tog, p2tog. There are now 38 (42) 46 (50) sts left on the needle.

Work 5 cm in rib at the sts present (knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts). Bind off in rib – or using a sewn bind-off.

Work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

Finishing

Neck edge: Pick up and knit sts with 1 strand each of Arwetta Classic, Merci and Paia, using a 3,5 mm needle. Begin at the right shoulder and pick up and knit one stitch in each bound off sts along the back neck edge, then pick up and knit approx. 3 sts for every 4 rows along the left front neck edge, pick up ad stitch in the chain between the sts at the bottom of the V neck and mark this stitch, then pick up and knit the same number of sts along the right front neck edge. There should be approx. 156 (162) (170) 178 sts on the needle – the total number of sts must be an even number.

Now work in the round in k1, p1 rib, while at the same time decreasing 13 sts evenly across the neck edge sts and working decreases at the bottom of the V as follows: Work in rib to 1 stitch before the marked stitch, slip 2 sts as if knitting them together, k1, pass the slipped sts over, continue in rib working a

knit or a purl stitch to match the stitch just before the decrease.

Work a total of 5 cm of rib, working an decrease at the bottom of the V on every round. Bind off in rib – or with a sewn bind-off.