Avignon - a lovely sweater

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Cinnia is an incredibly soft and springy yarn, which is really lovely to wear. The sweater is designed to be worn with tight trousers, so it has space to drape and flutter about the body. I HAD to knit in grey with mint and orange, but you should feel completely to pick and match colors to suit your mood and your wardrobe.

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Materials

Cinnia by Filcolana:

Color A: 450 (450) 500 (500) g in color 401 (light arev)

Color B: 100 (100) 150 (150) g in color 215 (carrot) Color C: 100 (100) 150 (150) g in color 281 (rime frost)

4 and 4,5 mm circular needle, 32 inches long

Sizes

S (M) L (XL)

Measurements

Sweater, chest: 176 (184) 192 (220) cm wing span: 142 (146) 150 (154) cm Total length: Ca. 59 (60) 61 (62) cm

Gauge

20 sts and 32 rows in sand stitch on 4,5 mm needles = 10×10 cm.

Sand stitch

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2: *K1, p1*. Repeat from * to *.

Row 3: Knit all sts.

Row 4: *P1, k1*. Repeat from * to *.

Repeat these 4 rows.

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Broken rib

Row 1 (RS): *K1, p1*. Repeat from * to *. Row 2: Knit all sts. Repeat these 2 rows.

Front

Cast on 38 (40) 42 (44) sts using Color B and then 134 (140) 146 (152) sts using Color C on a 4 mm needle. Work 39 (41) 43 (45) rows in garter stitch with each section the color of the cast on. Remember to twist the yarn together at the color change. End on a RS row.

Next row (WS): Knit 110 (116) 122 (128) m, bind off 24 sts, knit to end of row. Let the work rest and knit the pocket: Cast on 24 sts using a 4mm needle and Color B. Work 19 (21) 23 (25) rows of stockinette stitch.

Change to a 4,5 mm needle and Color A and work back and forth in sand stitch across all of the sts on the needle. Place the pocket where the sts were bound off with the RS facing the WS og the front and knit it onto the needle.

Continue straight in sand stitch until the sand stitch section measures 40 (41) 42 (43) cm. End on a WS row.

Work the shoulders:

Change to a 4 mm needle and knit across all of the sts on the needle. Knit 124 (130) 136 (142) sts using Color B and 48 (50) 52 (54) sts using Color C. Continue in garter stitch with this distribution of sts between the 2 colors for a total of 22 (24) 26 (28) rows. Work short rows to slope the shoulders (RS): Knit to the last 9 (10) 10 (11) sts, turn, yo, knit to the last 9 (10) 10 (11) sts at the other end of the needle, turn, yo. Continue to work short rows, knitting to 9 (10) 10 (11) sts before the last turn at either end twice. Then 10 (10) 10 (11) sts before the last turn at either end three (three) three (four) times.

Work 3 rows back and forth across all the sts on the needle while working the yarn overs: Knit the yarn overs together with the next stitch on the needle to close the holes at the turns on the RS. Work the yarn over and the next stitch on the needles as a ssk on the WS

Bind off all sts knit-wise from the WS.

Back

Work the same way as the front, only mirror reversed. Therefore cast on 134 (140) 146 (152) sts using Color C and then 38 (40) 42 (44) sts using Color B. Work the same way as the front, only without the pocket. When the sand stitch section in Color A measures 40 (41) 42 (43) cm, work the colors for row 1 of the shoulder: 48 (50) 52 (54) sts in Color C and 124 (130) 136 (142) sts in Color B.

Sleeves

Sew the shoulder seams together along the sloped edge at either side of front and back, optionally for a few cm more toward the neck (depending on how open a neck you prefer). Count approx. 30 (32) 34 (36) rows down along the side past the garter knit shoulders and place a marker at either side. Using Color A and a 4 mm needle, pick up and knit 23 (24) 25 (26) sts along these 30 (32) 34 (36) rows, then 12 (13) 14 (15) sts along the shoulder section. Pick up and knit 1 stitch from the shoulder seam, then 12 (13) 14 (15) more sts from the other shoulder section and 23 (24) 25 (26) sts down along the side to the other marker = a total of 71 (75) 79 (83) sts.

Work back and forth in broken rib across these 71 (75) 79 (83) sts.

Decrease row: K1, k2tog, work in pattern to the last 3 sts, ssk, k1.

Work a decrease row every 6th row until there are 43 (47) 51 (55) sts left on the needle. Continue straight until the sleeve measures 27 cm (all sizes) or the desired length. Bind off in ribbing from the WS.

Finishing

Sew the sleeve seams and the side seams to the garter knit section at the hem.

Sew the pocket to the WS of the sweater.

Rinse the sweater, put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine and let it dry on a flat surface.

