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Miles

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The designer stumbled upon a photo of Miles Davis from 1969, where he is leaning against a red sports car, while wearing suede trousers and an open, dark blue shirt with a classic collar. It is the extravagance, the swaying trouser legs, and the heavy gold chains that have inspired this polo blouse, Miles, with its transparent mohair stripes, the knitted rib collar, and the small gold buttons. Miles is knitted in Saga and Tilia, in colours that are closely related.

SIZES

S (M) L (XL)

MEASUREMENTS

Fits chest sizes: 83-89 (90-96) 97-105 (106-116) cm Chest: 98 (106) 115 (126) cm Length (measured from the top of the shoulder): 59 (61) 63 (65) cm Sleeve length: 44 (44) 44 (44) cm

Note that the length measurements in the pattern below is before washing.

GAUGE

26 sts and 40 rows in stockinette and stripe pattern on 3 mm needles = 10×10 cm

Needle sizes are for guidance only. If you have more stitches on 10 cm, change to a larger needle. If you have fewer stitches on 10 cm, change to smaller needles.

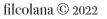
MATERIALS

Yarn from Filcolana 200 (200) 250 (250) g **Saga** in col. 115 (Captain Blue) 50 (75) 75 (75) g **Tilia** in col. 145 (Navy Blue)

3 pcs of 2.5 mm circular needles, 80 cm. 3 mm circular needles, 80 cm. 2.5 mm and 3 mm double pointed needles (dpns).

Stitch markers

4 buttons, 10-15 mm in diameter





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Techniques

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

M1R - Right slanted increase

From the back, lift the horizontal strand between the two stitches with the left needle and knit through the front loop (1 st increase).

M1L - Left slanted increase

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

Sl1 k1 psso

Slip 1 st knit-wise, knit 1 stitch, and pass the slipped stitch over the knitted stitch.

Selvedges

Purl the selvedge sts on all rows.

Workflow

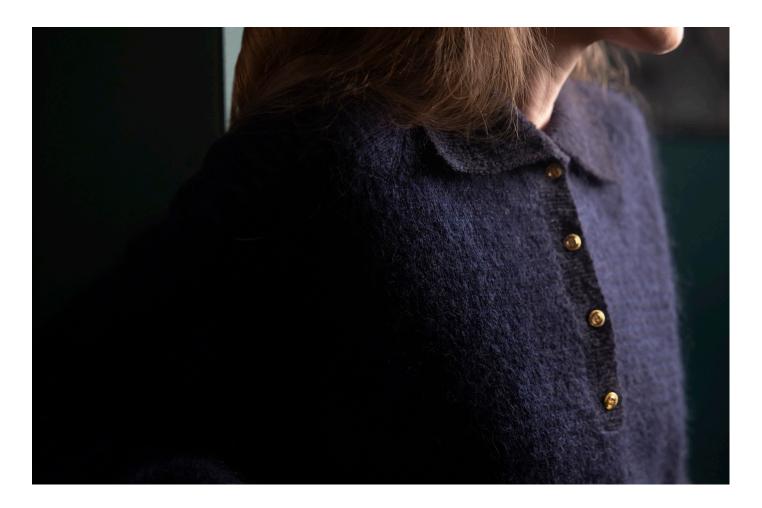
Work the body in one piece; from bottom and up, knitted in the round on circular needles, and in stripe pattern as described, until work is divided at the front, for the placket.

Work sleeves from bottom and up in the round on dpns.

Later, join body and sleeves and work the yoke flat and with raglan decreases.

Then pick up sts along the placket in the front and finish the placket.

For the collar pick up sts on 2 circular needles, for the double layered collar.







Pattern

Stripe pattern

2 rounds/rows of stockinette using Saga 2 rounds/rows of stockinette using Tilia Repeat these 4 rounds/rows.

BODY

With 3 mm circular needles and 1 strand of Saga cast on 256 (276) 300 (328) sts. Join round and place a start marker, the start marker marks the left side seam.

Change to 2.5 mm circular needles and knit rib (k1, p1) for 4 cm.

Change to 3 mm circular needles and continue in stripe pattern and stockinette, knit 1st stripe using Saga.

Continue in the round, until work measures 33 (34) 35 (35) cm including ribbing edge, finish the stripe pattern working 1st round knitted with Saga.

On next round bind off 6 sts, for the placket, in the middle of the front, knit as follows: **Next round:** Knit 61 (66) 72 (79) sts, bind off the next 6 sts loosely, knit remaining sts.

Break both strands, remove the start marker, and slip all sts to the bound off sts in the middle onto right side of the circular needle without knitting them.

Now knit work flat on the circular needles, begin and end each row with a purled selvedge st.

Work the next stripe using Tilia, 1st row to follow is a right-side row.

Continue until work measures approx. 35 (35) 36 (36) cm, note the measurements are approximate measurements because the last row worked should in Saga.

Next row (WS): Purl 56 (58) 61 (65) sts, bind off the next 10 (16) 22 (28) sts, purl 118 (122) 128 (136) sts, bind off the next 10 (16) 22 (28) sts, purl the remaining 56 (58) 61 (65) sts.

Leave body for now while working the sleeves.

SLEEVES

With 2.5 mm dpns and 1 strand of Saga cast on 62 (64) 66 (68) sts. Join round and place a start marker.

Knit rib (k1, p1) over 4 cm.

Change to 3 mm dpns and continue in stockinette and stripe pattern, knit 1st stripe using Saga.

When sleeve measures 7 cm including ribbing edge, begin increases on the lower part of the sleeve, knit like this:

Next round: K1, M1L, knit to last st, M1R, k1.

Repeat this increase round on every 9th (7th) 6th (5th) round a total of 16 (19) 22 (25) times = 94 (102) 110 (118) sts.

Continue in the round without increases until the sleeve measures 42 cm including ribbing edge, finish in the stripe pattern with one round of Saga.

Next round: Bind off the first 5 (8) 11 (14) sts, knit the next 84 (86) 88 (90) sts, bind off the last 5 (8) 11 (14) sts. Break yarn.

Let the sleeve rest for now and knit the second sleeve the same way.



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YOKE

Place all the parts on the 3 mm circular needles in this order:

Right side of the front, right sleeve, back, left sleeve, left side of the front.

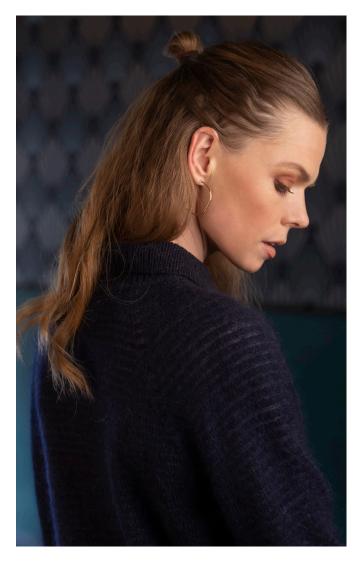
Continue in stripe pattern as follows: Next row (RS): Knit to last st on right front, *k2tog and mark this st*, knit to last st on right sleeve, repeat from * to *, knit to last st on the back, repeat from * to *, knit remaining sts.

The 4 raglan sts are now marked.

Knit 1 wrong side row.

Next row (RS / decrease row): *Knit to last 2 sts before the raglan st, sl1 k1 psso, k1, k2tog*, repeat from * to * another 3 times, knit remaining sts.

Repeat this raglan decrease row on every 4th row until you have worked 7 rows with raglan decreases.



Now the raglan decreases continue with different intervals on the body and sleeves, knit as follows:

BODY: Repeat the body ragian decreases on every 2nd row rest of the work.

SLEEVES: Knit raglan decreases on every 4th row until you have worked 14 (15) 16 (17) raglan decreases, and 54 sts remains on each sleeve, then work raglan decreases on every 2nd row rest of work.

AT THE SAME TIME when you have 62 (62) 64 (68) sts on the back and 28 (28) 29 (31) sts on each of the fronts, start binding off for the neckline as follows: Bind off the following sts - for the neckline on the fronts and diagonally across the sleeves - in the beginning of every row: 7 (7) 8 (10) sts once, 2 sts once, 1 st 8 times, and 11 sts twice.

When you have bound off all sts for the neckline and knitted the sleeves, you only have the back sts left.

Bind off the remaining sts.

PLACKET Right buttonhole band

With 2.5 mm circular needles and Saga cast on 2 new sts on the needles, in continuation of those sts pick up 65 (65) 69 (73) sts along the right side of the front opening (right side when wearing the blouse).

1st row (WS): Knit selvedge st, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

2nd row: K2, knit rib as pattern indicates and finish with a knitted selvedge st.

Repeat these 2 rib rows, until you have worked 5 rows in total.

6th row (RS/buttonhole row): K2, knit rib over 5 (5) 7 (9) sts, make a yarn over, k2tog, *knit rib over 16 sts, make a yarn over, k2tog*, repeat from * to * another 2 times, work rib over the last 3 (3) 5 (7) sts, knit the selvedge st.

Continue in rib as pattern indicates and include the yarn overs into the ribbing but without twisting the stitches.

Knit ribbing over 11 rows in total. Last row is a wrong side row. Bind off using Italian bind off technique, like this: Measure a tail approx. 3 times the length of the rib



circumference. Thread tail onto a tapestry needle. **Note!** When you bind off the front sts, where the neckline has the most rounded shape, bind off a bit tighter, so the neckband shapes nicely on the neck.

1. Insert tapestry needle into the first **2** sts on left needle as if to purl, pull the yarn through.

2. From behind work insert tapestry needle between 2nd and 3rd st. Pull needle and yarn to front of work.
3. Insert tapestry needle through the 3rd st, from front and out on the back.

4. Insert tapestry needle from front into the first 2 sts as if to knit them together, slip both sts off needle.

5. From the front insert tapestry needle - from right to left – into the front leg of the 2nd st (knit st), pull yarn through.

6. Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to purl, slip st off needle.

7. Insert tapestry needle into 1st and 2nd st from back to front.

8. Insert tapestry needle through the 2nd st, from front to back.

9. Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to knit, slip st off needle.

10. Knit as step 5.

11. Knit as step 6.

Repeat steps 7-11 until you have 3 sts left on your left needle.

Finish

From the front, from right to left, insert tapestry needle into the last 2 sts as if to purl them together, pull yarn through.

Insert tapestry needle into 1st st as if to purl this st, slip st off the needles.

Insert tapestry needle into the last 2 sts as if to knit

them together, slip both sts off needles.

All sts are bound off.

Weave in the end carefully.

Left button band

With 2.5 mm circular needles and Saga pick up sts along the left side of the front opening as follows: Starting at the top of the neckline, pick up 65 (65) 69 (73) sts along the front opening, cast on 2 new sts in continuation of the picked up sts.

1st row (WS): K2, $p1, k1^*$, repeat from to to end of row.

2nd row: K2, knit rib as pattern indicates to last st, knit selvedge st.

Repeat these 2 rows until you have worked 11 rib rows in total.

Last row is a wrong side row.

Bind off sts as on right button band.

COLLAR

How to pick up sts for the double layered collar:

First you work a double layered collar using 3 each 2.5 mm circular, below described as 1st, 2nd and 3rd circular needle.

The collar sts will be placed on 1st needle on right side and 2nd needle on wrong side of bound off sts in neck opening and will competely cover these stitches.

Double layered collar

Hold both 1st and 2nd circular needles in your right hand, holding the 1st circular needles in front of the 2nd. With 1st circular needles pick up sts along the neckline from the right side of the placket, AT THE SAME TIME work a yarn over on the 2nd circular needles every time you pick up 1 st on the 1st circular needles along the front edge.

See photo, the metal needle is 1st circular needles, and the grey needle is the 2nd circular needles.





Using Saga pick up 33 (33) 34 (36) sts along the right front including the button band, pick up 22 sts on the right sleeve, pick up 39 (39) 41 (45) sts along the neck, pick up 22 sts along the left sleeve, and finally, pick up 33 (33) 34 (36) sts on left front including the button band = 149 (149) 153 (161) sts. **IMPORTANT!** Make sure to work a yarn over on the 2nd circular needles every time you pick up a st along the neckline, except for the last st, which is picked up in the outer st on the left front. For this st you will NOT make a yarn over the 2nd circular needles.

Turn work.

Use the 3rd circular needles and knit the yarn overs on the 2nd circular needles like this:

Start by making a yarn over the 3rd circular needles by lifting the yarn over the 3rd circular needles before working the 1st yarn over on the 2nd circular needles. Knit all yarn overs, they will be a bit longer, but that evens out when you continue work.

When you have worked all yarn overs on the 3rd circular needles, turn work and knit all the knitted sts on the 1st circular needles with whatever needles are free. Continue like this in the round, knit the right side and the wrong side of the collar separately, with whatever needles are free.

This way the 'raw' cast on edge is hidden inside the knitted collar.

Continue like this till the double layered collar measures 1.5 cm from the picked up sts, finish with a rightside needle/the outside of the blouse.

Now it's time to close the gap between the two collar parts by working the sts on the 1st and the 2nd circular needles together. Knit as follows:

Next row (WS): Knit the 1st stitch on 1st circular needles together with the 1st stitch on the 2nd circular needles, let the sts slide off the needle, ***knit** the 1st stitch on 1st circular needle together with the 1st stitch on the 2nd circular needles, let the sts slide off the needle, **purl** the 1st stitch on 1st circular needle together with 1st stitch on 2nd circular needle *****, repeat from ***** to ***** to 1 stitch on each needle remains, **knit** the last st on 1st circular needles together with the last st on the 2nd circular needles, let the sts slide off the needle.

Now you have halved the sts and started the rib collar.

Continue the rib as follows:

Slip 1st st in beginning of every row and knit the following sts as pattern indicates.

Knit till the ribbing measures 10 cm, finish with a right-side row (the outer side of the blouse).

Bind off with Italian bind off as on the button bands.

FINISHING

Sew the little armhole hole under the sleeves.

Place right button band over the left button band and sew the bottom of the placket so the 2 knitted selvedges at the bottom of the placket make the corners of the button band.

Weave in all ends, sew in the buttons adjacent to the button band holes.

Wash the blouse according to washing instructions on the Tilia label and lay it flat to dry on a towel.

