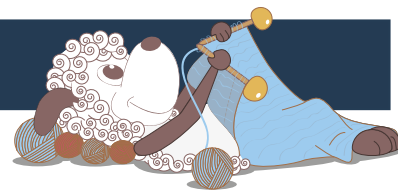


# Klein - a soft cardigan



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*Indiecita and Tilia are a match made in heaven. When you knit the two together, the result is so incredibly soft that you can almost hear the angels sing.*

*The spectacular cobalt blue that I knit Klein in is - fortunately - not the least angelic. I prefer a bit of edge and some vroom in my knitting. If you are in the mood for something calmer, there are many other beautiful shades to choose from.*

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## Materials

250 (300) 300 (350) 400 (400) g of Indiecita by Filcolana in color 337 (Bright Cobalt)  
125 (125) 150 (150) 175 (175) g of Tilia by Filcolana in color 337 (Bright Cobalt)  
4,5 mm circular needle, 80 cm long  
4 og 4,5 mm double-pointed needles  
3 clasps  
Stitch markers

## Sizes

S (M) L (XL) 2XL (3XL)

## Measurements

Body, chest: 78-88 (88-98) 98-108 (108-118) 118-128 (128-138) cm  
Sweater, chest: 93 (104) 113 (124) 133 (145) cm  
Total length: 63 (64) 64 (65) 66 (66) cm  
Sleeve length: 44 cm

## Gauge

18 sts and 26 rows in stockinette stitch with one strand of each yarn on a 4,5 mm needle = 10 x 10 cm.



## Special abbreviations

**Kfbf (double increase):** Knit into the front, then back, then front of the same stitch.

**Kfb (increase):** Knit into the front, then back of the same stitch.

**M1k (increase):** Make 1. Lift the chain between sts onto the left needle and knitting it through the back loop.

**M1p (increase):** Make 1. Lift the chain between sts onto the left needle and purling it through the back loop.

**M:** marker

## Directions for knitting

Klein is worked seamlessly from the top down. First stitches are cast on for the neck edge and these stitches are divided into fronts, back and shoulders with stitch markers.

The first part of the yoke is worked with increases on the fronts and back until the shoulders reach the right length. Then the puff for the sleeves are created by increasing a lot of stitches on one row across each shoulder. The rest of the yoke is worked with increases on sleeves and body until each part have the right shape and the right number of stitches - and the yoke is the right length.

Then the stitches are split into sleeves and body and each part is finished separately. The front edge and pockets are then worked, after which only the last bit of finishing is left - sewing on pockets and clasps.

## Cardigan

Cast on 40 (40) 42 (44) 46 (48) sts on a 4,5 mm circular needle with one strand of each yarn held together.

## Shoulder

**Row 1 (WS):** K1, place M, purl 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) sts, place M, purl 28 (28) 30 (30) 32 (34) sts, place M, purl 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) sts, place M, k1.

**Row 2:** Knit to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, Knit to M, slip M, kfb, Knit to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, Knit to M, slip M, kfb, knit to end of row.



**Row 3:** K1, purl to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, purl to M, slip M, kfb, purl to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, purl to M, slip M, kfb, purl to last stitch, k1.

Work row 2 and 3 a total of 9 (10) 11 (13) 14 (15) times.

There are now 112 (120) 130 (148) 158 (168) sts on the needle.

## Puff

**Next row (RS):** \*Knit to M, slip M, [kfbf, M1k] 4 (4) 4 (5) 5 (5) times, kfbf, slip M\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more, Knit to end of row.

There are now 140 (148) 158 (182) 192 (202) sts on the needle.

## Yoke

**Row 1 (WS):** \*Purl to M, slip M, kfb, purl to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Purl to end of row.

**Row 2:** \*Knit to M, slip M, kfb, knit to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 6 (6) 7 (7) 8 (8) times. There are now 43 (43) 47 (51) 55 (55) sts on each sleeve, meaning between each set of 2 M.

At the same time increases are worked along the front edges. M1 after the first and before the last stitch on every other RS row a total of 11 (11) 12 (12) 13 (13) times.

**Row 3 (WS):** K1, purl to last stitch, k1.

**Row 4:** \*Knit to M, slip M, p1, Knit to 1 stitch before

M, p1, slip M\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row.

Work row 3 and 4 a total of 11 (11) 11 (11) 12 (12) times. The sleeve now measures approx. 12 (12) 13 (14) 15 (15) cm, measures from the puff row down.

**Row 5 (WS):** \*Purl to 1 stitch before M, M1p, k1, slip M, kfb, purl to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, k1, M1p\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Purl to end of row.

**Row 6:** \*Knit to 1 stitch before M, M1k, k1, slip M, kfb, knit to 1 stitch before M, kfb, slip M, k1, M1k\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row. Work row 5 and 6 a total of 3 (4) 5 (5) 5 (6) times.

Size S, XL, 2XL and 3XL: Work Row 5 once more.  
Size M and L: Work Row 3 once more.

Divide yoke on next row (RS): \*Knit to M, place the next 57 (59) 67 (73) 77 (81) sleeve sts between M onto a stitch holder, leave M, cast on 8 (8) 10 (10) 12 (14) new sts in extension of sts on the needle, leave M\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row.

### Body

Work back and forth across the sts for the body in stockinette stitch until the body measures approx. 8 (7) 7 (6) 5 (5) cm from the armhole down. End on a WS row.

Remember to continue the increases at the front edges. Also remember to knit the first and last stitch of every row. When all the front edge increases have been worked, there are 168 (180) 204 (224) 240 (262) sts on the needle.

**Decrease row (RS):** \*Knit to 4 sts before M, k2tog, k2 slip M, Knit to M, slip M, 2 r, ssk\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row.

Work a decrease row every 6th row a total of 3 times. There are now 156 (168) 192 (212) 228 (250) sts on the needle.

Work straight in stockinette stitch until the body measures approx. 19 (18) 18 (17) 16 (16) ) cm from the armhole down. End on a WS row.

**Increase row (RS):** \*Knit to 4 sts before M, M1k, knit to 4 sts after next marker, M1k\*. Repeat from \* to \* once more. Knit to end of row.

Work a increase row every 6th row a total of 8 times. There are now 188 (200) 224 (244) 260 (282) sts on the needle.

Work straight until the body measures 43 (42) 41 (41) 40 (39) ) cm from the armhole down. End on a RS row.

Knit 10 rows.

Bind off all sts knit-wise from the WS.

### Sleeves

Move the 57 (59) 67 (73) 77 (81) sts for the first sleeve onto 4,5 mm double-pointed needles.

Pick up and knit 4 (4) 5 (5) 6 (7) sts from the center of the bound off sts under the sleeve and to the sts on the needle, knit the 57 (59) 67 (73) 77 sts on the double-pointed needles, pick up and knit another 4 (4) 5 (5) 6 (7) sts from under the sleeve. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

There are now 65 (67) 77 (83) 89 (95) sts on the needle.

Knit 4 rounds

**Decrease round:** K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts of the round, ssk, k1.

Work a decrease round every 8th (8th) 7th (6th) 6th (5th) round a total of 11 (12) 15 (16) 18 (20) times - until there are 43 (43) 47 (51) 53 (55) sts on the needle.

Continue straight in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 42 cm from the armhole down.

Change to 4 mm double-pointed needles.

**Round 1:** Purl all sts.

**Round 2:** Knit all sts.

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

Bind off purl-wise from the RS.

Work the second sleeve the same way as the first.



**Front edge**

Pick up and knit sts all the way along front edges and neck edge using a 4,5 mm circular needle, placing 4 markers at the same time.

Pick up and knit approx. 78 (76) 74 (74) 72 (70) sts along the straight section of the right front edge, place M, pick up approx. 43 (45) 49 (51) 55 (57) sts along the slanted section up to the shoulder sts, place M, pick up and knit 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) sts from the shoulder sts of the cast-on edge, pick up 30 (30) 32 (32) 34 (36) sts along the back of the neck, then 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) more sts along the other shoulder, place M, pick up approx. 43 (45) 49 (51) 55 (57) sts along the slanted section to where the M is placed on the opposite front edge, place M, pick up approx. 78 (76) 74 (74) 72 (70) sts along the straight section of the right front edge.

There are now approx. 282 (282) 288 (294) 300 (302) sts on the needle.

Row 1 (WS): Knit all sts.

Row 2: [Knit to M, slip M, M1k] 2 times, [Knit to M, M1k, slip M] 2 times, knit to end of row.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 4 times.

Bind off knit-wise from the WS.

**Pockets**

Cast on 23 (23) 25 (25) 27 (27) sts on a 4 mm double-pointed needle. Knit 9 rows back and forth on two 4 mm double-pointed needles. Change to 4,5 mm needles.

Next row (RS): Knit 9 (9) 10 (10) 11 (11) sts, [kfbf] 5 times, knit to end of row.

Knit back and forth in stockinette stitch until the pocket measures approx. 17 cm. Knit the first and last stitch of every row. Bind off very tightly on the next RS row.

Work a second pocket the same way as the first.

**Finishing**

Sew the pockets to the fronts of the cardigan so the bottom of the pockets aligns with the top of the garter stitch hem. Place the pocket approx. 8 cm from the front edges. Sew the clasps to the front edges. Place the top clasps where the front edge marker was and the remaining two 5 cm apart below the first. Weave in all ends.

Gently rinse the finished cardigan, put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine or roll it in a towel and carefully squeeze as much water out as possible. Place the cardigan on a flat surface, gently pull it into shape and leave it to dry completely.

