Mungo - a fun cardigan for kids

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I can think of nothing happier or lovelier than kids wearing stripes and bright colors. A striped raglan cardigan is a good basic item to have in the kids' wardrobe. and it so simple and fun to knit – and to chose and combine colors for. Perhaps it is even more fun, if the future owner of the cardigan you pick out the colors.

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Materials

3 colors of Cinnia by Filcolana: Color A: 50 (50) 50 (50) 50 (50) g Color B: 50 (100) 100 (150) 150 (150) g Color C: 50 (100) 150 (150) 150 (150) g 4 mm circular needle, 60 cm long

3,5 mm circular needle, 60 cm long 4 mm double-pointed needles 3,5 mm double-pointed needles

4 markers or loops of contrasting yarn

4 stitch holders

6 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) buttons (approx. 1,5-2 cm diameter)

Colors

<u>Turquoise with orange edges</u>:

Color A: 284 (Kumquat) Color B: 280 (Curacao) Color C: 289 (Petrol)

Yellow/bordeaux with pink edges:

Color A: 291 (Azalea) Color B: 290 (Bordeaux) Color C: 287 (Bitter lemon)

Sizes

86-92 cl/11/2-2 years (98-104 cl/3-4 years) 110-116 cl/5-6 years (122-128 cl/7-8 years) 134-140 cl/9-10 years (146-152 cl/11-12 years)





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Measurements

Fits chest circumference: 53-54 (55-56) 58-60 (62-

64) 66-68 (70-72) cm

Sweater, chest: 64 (66) 70 (74) 78 (82) cm Sleeve length: 23 (28) 31 (33) 36 (38) cm Total length: 32 (36) 39 (44) 48 (50) cm

Gauge

20 sts and 24 rows in stockinette stitch on 4 mm needles = 10×10 cm.

Abbreviations

M1: Make 1. Increase one stitch by lifting the chain between sts onto the left needle and knitting it through the back loop.

Ssk (decrease): Slip, slip, knit.

Short rows

When turning in the middle of a row to create a short row, it is important to do something to avoid ending up with a hole at the turning point. The most common method is to wrap the working yarn around the next stitch on the needle before turning the work: Hold the yarn behind the needle, slip the next stitch from left to right hand needle, bring the yarn to the front of the work and slip the stitch back on the left needle. This creates a loop around the next stitch, which will eliminate the hole between the last knit and the first unknit stitch. Now turn the work and continue according to your pattern. When you next get to the stitch where you made the turn, you lift the loop around the stitch onto the needle and knit it together with the stitch itself.

Directions for knitting

The cardigan is worked seamlessly from the bottom up. First the body is worked from the ribbing of the hem and up. Then the sleeve are knit from the ribbing on the cuffs and up – in the round. Then body and sleeves are joined on the circular needle, the points where body and sleeves meet are marked and the yoke is worked with raglan decreases. Before the ribbing at the neck is knit, short rows are added that raise the neck and shoulder to ensure a good fit. Then the rib edge is worked. Finally front edges are added.

Body

Cast on 124 (128) 136 (144) 152 (160) sts using color A and a 3,5 mm circular needle.

Row 1 (WS): p3, * k2, p2*. Repeat from * to *. End with p3.

Row 2 (RS): k3, * p2, k2*. Repeat from * to *. End with k3.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 3 times.

Work row 1 one last time.

Change to a 4 mm circular needle and work in stockinette stripes each 12 (14) 16 (18) 20 (21) rows wide of color B, then color C, then once more in color B. Then change to color C and work 3 (3) 5 (7) 9 (9) rows in stockinette stitch.

Last row: Purl 26 (27) 29 (30) 32 (33) sts, bind off 6 (6) 6 (8) 8 (10) sts, purl 60 (62) 66 (68) 72 (74) sts, bind off 6 (6) 6 (8) 8 (10) sts, purl 26 (27) 29 (30) 32 (33) sts.

112 (116) 124 (128) 136 (140) sts on the needle. Let the body rest while the sleeves are knit.

Sleeves (knit 2)

Cast on 40 (40) 44 (44) 44 (48) sts with color A and 3,5 mm double-pointed needles. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Row 1: *k2, p2*. Repeat from * to * to end of round. Work row 1 a total of 7 times.

Change to 4 mm double-pointed needles and color C and knit 2 rounds.

Work an increase round on the next round: k1, M1, knit to the last st of the round, M1, k1. Work an increase round every 7th round a total of 5 (7) 6 (8) 9 (8) times.

50 (54) 56 (60) 62 (64) sts on the needle. Work 9 (11) 7 (7) 7 (7) more rounds in color C. Then work in stockinette stripes each 12 (14) 16 (18) 20 (21) rounds wide of color B, then color C, then once more in color B.

Then change to color C and work 3 (3) 5 (7) 9 (9) rounds in stockinette stitch.

Last round: Knit to the 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (5) last sts of the round, bind off the next 6 (6) 6 (8) 8 (10) sts. 44 (48) 50 (52) 54 (54) sts on the needle.



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Yoke

Join sleeves and body on the 4 mm circular needle and place markers where the pieces join (continue in color C):

Knit the 26 (27) 29 (30) 32 (33) sts of the right front, mark the last of these sts, knit the 44 (48) 50 (52) 54 (54) sts of the right sleeve, knit the 60 (62) 66 (68) 72 (74) sts of the back and mark the first and last of these sts, knit the 44 (48) 50 (52) 54 (54) sts of the left sleeve, then knit the 26 (27) 29 (30) 32 (33) sts of left front - mark the first of these sts.

200 (212) 224 (232) 244 (248) sts on the needle.

Row 1 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 2 (RS): *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 3 more times, knit to end of row.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 11 (13) 14 (15) 16 (17) times.

112 (108) 112 (112) 116 (112) sts on the needle.

At the same time

Work the first 8 (10) 10 (10) 12 (13) rows of the yoke in C (so the stripe is 12 (14) 16 (18) 20 (21) rows wide total).

Work the next 12 (14) 16 (18) 20 (21) rows in color ${\tt R}$

Change to color C.

Short rows (in color C)

1st short row: *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 3 more times, knit until there are 3 sts left on the row, turn.

2nd short row: Purl until there are 3 sts left on the row, turn.

3rd short row: *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 3 more times, knit until 3 sts before the last turn, turn. 4th short row: Purl to 3 sts before the last turn, turn.

Repeat the 3rd and 4th short row 1 more time.

7th short row: *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 2 more times, k10, turn.

8th short row: Purl to the second marker, k11, turn. 9th short row: *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 2 more times, k4, turn.

10th short row: Purl to the second marker, p5, turn. 11th short row: *Knit to 2 sts before the marked st, ssk, knit the marked st, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * 2 more times, knit to end of row.

12th short row: Purl all sts.

Break color C.

72 (68) 72 (72) 76 (72) sts on the needle.

Knit 1 row in med color A while removing the markers and decreasing 12 (4) 8 (4) 8 (0) sts evenly across the row.

60 (64) 64 (68) 68 (72) sts on the needle.

Change to a 3,5 mm circular needle.

Row 1 (WS): p3, *k2, p2*. Repeat from * to *. End with p3.

Row 2 (RS): k3, *p2, k2*. Repeat from * to *. End with k3.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 3 times. Bind off sts in pattern.

Front edges

Traditionally buttons are places on the left side for girls clothing and on the right side for boys clothing. For this reason the front edges are written so you choose which side to place the buttons and which side to place the buttonholes.

The buttonhole edge is worked as the right front edge for girls and on the left front edge for boys.

Front edge with buttonholes

Pick up and knit 52 (60) 68 (76) 84 (88) sts from the RS along the front edge.

Row 1 (WS): p3, *k2, p2*. Repeat from * to *. End with p3.

Row 2 (RS): k3, *yarn over, p2tog, work 7 (7) 8 (8) 9 (9) sts in ribbing*. Repeat from * to *. End with p2tog, yarn over, k3.

Row 3 (WS): Work as row 1.

Row 4 (RS): k3, *p2, k2*. Repeat from * to *. End with k3.

Work row 3 and 4 once more.

Bind off in pattern.

Front edge without buttonholes

Pick up and knit 52 (60) 68 (76) 84 (88) sts from the RS along the front edge.

Row 1 (WS): p3, *k2, p2*. Repeat from * to *. End with p3.

Row 2 (RS): k3, *p2, k2*. Repeat from * to *. End with k3.

Work row 1 and 2 a total of 3 times. Bind off in pattern.

Finishing

Sew in the buttons across from the buttonholes. Weave in the ends. Gently wash the finished cardigan, press as much water out as you can without wringing and lay it on a flat surface to dry.