

BIFURCA VEST

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Bifurcation means splitting of a larger whole or main body into two smaller and separate units. Imagine a tree branch that splits in the middle into two smaller branches. **Furca** also means a fork. Despite being all romantic and floral, this particular name spoke to me because of the V-neck construction. And since both the front and back are identical — it's bifurca — two-forced.

The vest has a modular construction, where the central front and back panels are worked seamlessly in the round. Then, the four sides are knitted separately flat and joined together with a kitchener stitch. And finally, the edges of the body and armholes are finished with ribbing worked in the round.

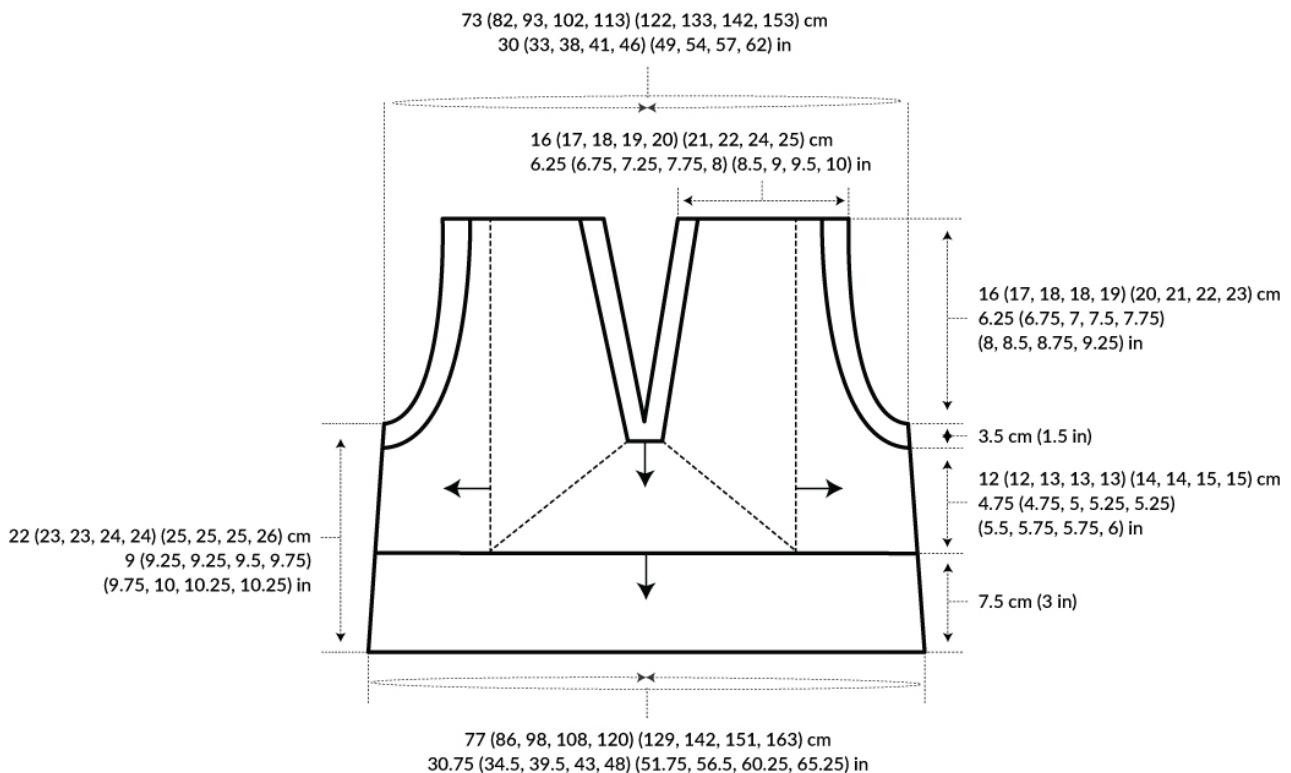
You can take a closer look at my sample and discover the design process [in this podcast episode \(coming soon\)](#).

SIZES

The pattern is written for nine sizes 1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9) with a finished bust circumference of ca. 73 (82, 93, 102, 113) (122, 133, 142, 153) cm / 30 (33, 38, 41, 46) (49, 54, 57, 62) in. The recommended ease is from 0 to 10-20 cm (4-8 in).

The sample is shown in size 2 on a 160 cm (5.3 ft) tall model with ca. 84-66-94 cm (33-26-39 in) body measurements. I do wear it with a tiny bit of negative ease in the bust, but see which fit suits your body/lifestyle better.

For more of the finished garment measurements, please refer to the schematic on page 2.



YARN

MC:

ca. 105 (121, 136, 152, 168) (186, 204, 221, 240) g or less than 2 (2, 2, 2, 2) (2, 3, 3, 3) skeins of Semilla pura from BC Garn, 100% organic wool, with 350 m (383 yds) in 100 g, shown in colourway 04; or ca. 366 (424, 477, 531, 589) (651, 712, 774, 839) m / 400 (463, 522, 581, 644) (712, 779, 847, 918) yds of any other sport/DK weight yarn with a matching gauge. The yardage includes 10% extra.

CC: ca. 28-30 g or less than 0.5 skein or ca. 110-120 m (120-130 yds) of any similar yarn, I used Woollin Heather from Wol Met Verve, 85% wool and 15% linen, with 400 m (438 yds) in 100 g, in colourway Brick).

NEEDLES AND NOTIONS

- 2.5 mm (US 1.5) and 3.0 mm (US 2.5) circular needles;
- spare cables, spare circular needles or scrap yarn to keep sts on hold;
- a few stitch markers, some of which removable;
- a tapestry needle or a crochet hook to weave in the ends.

GAUGE

- 23 sts & 36 rnds in 10 cm (4 in) on 3.0 mm (US 2.5) needles measured over stockinette stitch worked in the round after blocking;
- 24 sts & 32 rnds in 10 cm (4 in) on 3.0 mm (US 2.5) needles measured over colourwork pattern worked in the round after blocking;
- 26 sts & 40 rnds in 10 cm (4 in) on 2.5 mm (US 1.5) needles measured over measured over half twisted 1x1 ribbing worked in the round after blocking.

Adjust the needle sizes if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

CONSTRUCTION AND NOTES

The vest has a modular construction, which involves working different sections in different directions, some in the round, some flat.

The central panel is worked seamlessly in the round. Starting from neckline ribbing and finishing after the colourwork section, the central panel is shaped with gradual increases along 4 increase lines.

CONSTRUCTION AND NOTES (CONTINUED)

After that the sts are split for front, back and sides. Front and back is left on hold. Part of the side sts are worked using short rows to shape the armholes and extend the sides. This part is done separately in 4 steps for each side. Once done, open sts of opposite sides are seamed using kitchener st. Another part of side sts is used for armhole ribbing as well as the sts picked up along the underarm.

Open sts of the back and front as well as sts picked up along the sides are worked top down in the round into a hem. All ribbing edges are finished with a touch of contrasting colour.

ABBREVIATIONS AND TECHNIQUES

BOR/EOR — beginning/end of the row/round;
ca. — circa — approximately;

colourwork —

- if not specified otherwise, work with the mc;
- always keep mc on top of cc on the WS;
- catch the floats on the WS every 3-4 sts;

kX — knit X sts with mc;

kXtbl — knit X sts with mc through the back loop;

kXcc — knit X sts with cc;

kall — knit all to EOR with mc;

kallcc — knit all to EOR with cc;

k2tog — knit 2 sts together as if they were one;

LH/RH — left/right hand (needle);

m1Lk — with LH needle pick up the bar between the stitch you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from front to back, insert the tip of the RH needle knitwise into the back leg of the strand and knit as usual;

m1Rk — with LH needle pick up the strand between the last st you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from back to front, insert the tip of the RH needle knitwise into the front leg of the strand and knit as usual;

m1Lp — with LH needle pick up the bar between the stitch you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from front to back, with RH needle purl through the back loop;

m1Rp — with LH needle pick up the strand between the last st you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from back to front, with RH needle purl through the front loop;

MC/CC — main/contrasting colour (mc/cc);

MOF — middle of the front (marker);

p2tog — purl 2 sts together as if they were one;

pall — purl all to EOR with mc;

pX — purl X sts with mc;

rep — repeat;

R/Rnd/SR — row/round/short row;

RS/WS — right/wrong side of the work;

st(s) — stitch(es);

sl1yb — slip 1 purlwise with yarn in the back;

ssk — slip the next 2 sts, one by one, knitwise, insert the tip of the LH needle, from left to right, into the fronts of those 2 sts and knit them together;

w&t — [wrap and turn](#) —

- at the end of the short row before a knit st (RS), with the yarn at the back, slip next st purlwise to the RH needle, bring the yarn to the front, return the last st off the RH needle to the LH needle and turn your work, bring the yarn in front and start working the following row according to the previously established pattern;
- at the end of the short row before a purl st (WS), keep the yarn in the front, slip the next st purlwise to the RH needle, turn your work, bring the yarn to the front, move the first st to the RH needle, bring the yarn to the back and start working the following row according to the previously established pattern;
- pick up wraps in the next full rnds [as shown](#).

wall — work all sts as they appear with mc.

CENTRAL PANEL

Using a long-tail cast-on (or any other non-stretchy cast-on method) with 2.5 mm (US 1.5) needles and mc cast on a total of 221 (225, 229, 233, 237) (241, 245, 249, 253) sts.

Alternatively, cast on using cc for extra pop of contrasting colour along the neckline edge.

R1 (RS): sl1yb, p1, *k1tbl, p1; rep from * to EOR.

Join to work in the round by slipping the last st over the first and place the BOR marker before the slipped st.

You will have a total of

220 (224, 228, 232, 236) (240, 244, 248, 252) sts.

Rnd 2: *k1tbl, p1; rep from * to EOR and at the same time place MOF marker after the first 110 (112, 114, 116, 118) (120, 122, 124, 126) sts.

CENTRAL PANEL

Rnd 3: setup rnd for increases –

- **k1tbl, p1, m1Rk, k1tbl and place removable marker on that st, m1Lk,
- *p1, k1tbl; rep from * till 2 sts to MOF,
- m1Rk, k1tbl + pM, m1Lk, p1;
- rep from ** to EOR, increasing a total of 8 sts and marking sts of the 4 increase lines with removable markers.

You will have a total of

228 (232, 236, 240, 244) (248, 252, 256, 260) sts.

Rnd 4: wall.

Rnd 5: **k1tbl, p1, k1tbl, m1Rp, k1tbl, m1Lp,

*k1tbl, p1; rep from * to next M,

m1Rp, k1tbl, m1Lp, k1tbl, p1;

rep from ** to EOR, increasing a total of 8 sts.

You will have a total of

236 (240, 244, 248, 252) (256, 260, 264, 268) sts.

Rnd 6: switch to 3.0 mm (US 2.5) needles and wall.

Rnd 7: **k1tbl, p1, k1tbl, p1, m1Rk, k1tbl, m1Lk,

*p1, k1tbl; rep from * to next M,

m1Rk, k1tbl, m1Lk, p1, k1tbl, p1;

rep from ** to EOR, increasing a total of 8 sts.

You will have a total of

244 (248, 252, 256, 260) (264, 268, 272, 276) sts.

Rnd 8: wall.

Rnd 9: **p5, m1Rp, p1, m1Lp,

p to next M, m1Rp, p1, m1Lp, p4;

rep from ** to EOR, increasing a total of 8 sts.

You will have a total of

252 (256, 260, 264, 268) (272, 276, 280, 284) sts.

Rnd 10: kall.

Rnd 11: **k6, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k to next M, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k5;

rep from ** to EOR, increasing a total of 8 sts.

You will have a total of

260 (264, 268, 272, 276) (280, 284, 288, 292) sts.

Rnd 12: kall.

Rnd 13: starting with colourwork

pattern (follow the charts provided **and/**

or further written instructions) –

- **pick up cc yarn** and follow the back chart (**BCH**):

k1cc, k6, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k7, k1cc, k1,

*k2, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k1cc, k7, k1cc, k1;

rep from * till next M,

Rnd 13 (continued):

- follow the front chart (**FCH**):

m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k6, k1cc, k6, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

*k1, k1cc, k7, k1cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k2;

rep from * till 9 sts to next M,

- follow the back chart (**BCH**):

k1, k1cc, k7, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k6. (**+8 sts**)

You will have a total of

268 (272, 276, 280, 284) (288, 292, 296, 300) sts.

Rnd 14:

BCH: k2cc, k12, k3cc, k2,

*k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k5, k3cc, k2;

rep from * till 1 st to next M,

FCH: k8, k3cc, k8, *k2, k3cc, k5, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1;

rep from * till 10 sts to next M,

BCH: k2, k3cc, k12, k1cc.

Rnd 15:

BCH: k4cc, k4, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k4, k4cc, k2,

*k1, k7cc, k4, k4cc, k2;

rep from * till 1 st to next M,

FCH: k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k4, k7cc, k4,

m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1,

*k2, k4cc, k4, k7cc, k1;

rep from * till 10 sts to next M,

BCH: k2, k4cc, k4, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k4, k3cc. (**+8 sts**)

You will have a total of

276 (280, 284, 288, 292) (296, 300, 304, 308) sts.

Rnd 16:

BCH: k1cc, k1, k3cc, k9, k4cc, k3,

*k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k5, k4cc, k3;

rep from * till 2 sts to next M,

FCH: k7, k3cc, k1, k1cc, k1, k3cc, k7,

*k3, k4cc, k5, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k3;

rep from * till 11 sts to next M,

BCH: k3, k4cc, k9, k3cc, k1.

Rnd 17:

BCH: k1cc, k1, k4cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k3, k4cc, k4, *k2, k6cc, k2, k4cc, k4;

rep from * till 2 sts to next M,

FCH: k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k3, k4cc, k1, k1cc, k1, k4cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2,

*k4, k4cc, k2, k6cc, k2;

rep from * till 11 sts to next M,

BCH: k4, k4cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k3, k4cc, k1. (**+8 sts**)

You will have a total of

284 (288, 292, 296, 300) (304, 308, 312, 316) sts.

CENTRAL PANEL (CONTINUED)

Rnd 18:

BCH: k1cc, k2, k4cc, k7, k4cc, k5,

*k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k2, k3cc, k5;

rep from * till 3 sts to next M,

FCH: k7, k4cc, k2, k1cc, k2, k4cc, k7,

*k5, k3cc, k2, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1;

rep from * till 12 sts to next M,

BCH: k5, k4cc, k7, k4cc, k2.

Rnd 19:

BCH: k1cc, k4, k3cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2, k4cc, k6, *k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2, k3cc, k6;

rep from * till 3 sts to next M,

FCH: k2cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k3cc, k4,

k1cc, k4, k3cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1, k2cc,

*k6, k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2, k3cc;

rep from * till 12 sts to next M,

BCH: k6, k4cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2, k3cc, k4. (+8 sts)

You will have a total of

292 (296, 300, 304, 308) (312, 316, 320, 324) sts.

Rnd 20:

BCH: k2cc, k4, k2cc, k6, k10cc, k1,

*k2cc, k7, k8cc, k1;

rep from * till 4 sts to next M,

FCH: k2cc, k6, k2cc, k4, k3cc, k4, k2cc, k6, k2cc,

*k1, k8cc, k7, k2cc;

rep from * till 13 sts to next M,

BCH: k1, k10cc, k6, k2cc, k4, k1cc.

Rnd 21:

BCH: k4cc, k4, k1cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k1, k4cc, k7, k1cc, *k1cc, k7, k2cc, k7, k1cc;

rep from * till 4 sts to next M,

FCH: k1cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k1cc, k4,

k7cc, k4, k1cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k3, k1cc,

*k1cc, k7, k2cc, k7, k1cc;

rep from * till 13 sts to next M,

BCH: k1cc, k7, k4cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2, k1cc, k4, k3cc. (+8 sts)

You will have a total of

300 (304, 308, 312, 316) (320, 324, 328, 332) sts.

Rnd 22:

BCH: k1cc, k1, k3cc, k9, k3cc, k1, k2cc, k7,

*k8cc, k1, k2cc, k7;

rep from * till 5 sts to next M,

FCH: k3cc, k10, k3cc, k1, k1cc, k1, k3cc, k10, k3cc,

*k7, k2cc, k1, k8cc;

rep from * till 14 sts to next M,

BCH: k7, k2cc, k1, k3cc, k9, k3cc, k1.

Rnd 23:

BCH: k1cc, k2, k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k3cc, k2, k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2,

*k3cc, k6, k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2;

rep from * till 5 sts to next M,

FCH: k4cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k2cc, k2,

k3cc, k2, k1cc, k2, k3cc, k2, k2cc, k2, m1Rk, k1,

m1Lk, k1, k4cc,

*k2, k2cc, k2, k3cc, k6, k3cc;

rep from * till 14 sts to next M,

BCH: k2, k2cc, k2, k3cc, k2, k3cc, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2, k2cc, k2, k3cc, k2. (+8 sts)

You will have a total of

308 (312, 316, 320, 324) (328, 332, 336, 340) sts.

Rnd 24:

BCH: k1cc, k3, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3,

k3cc, k4, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1,

*k1, k3cc, k6, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1;

rep from * till 6 sts to next M,

FCH: k1, k3cc, k5, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3, k1cc, k3, k3cc,

k1, k3cc, k5, k3cc, k1,

*k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k6, k3cc, k1;

rep from * till 15 sts to next M,

BCH: k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k4, k3cc, k3, k3cc, k1,

k3cc, k3.

Rnd 25:

BCH: k2cc, k3, k6cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2cc, k6, k6cc, k1, *k1, k4cc, k6, k6cc, k1;

rep from * till 6 sts to next M,

FCH: k1, k4cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k6cc, k3,

k3cc, k3, k6cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1, k4cc, k1,

*k1, k6cc, k6, k4cc, k1;

rep from * till 15 sts to next M,

BCH: k1, k6cc, k6, k2cc, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk,

k2, k6cc, k3, k1cc. (+8 sts)

You will have a total of

316 (320, 324, 328, 332) (336, 340, 344, 348) sts.

Rnd 26:

BCH: k1cc, k1, k1cc, k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k6,

k4cc, k6, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k3,

*k2, k4cc, k6, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k3;

rep from * till 7 sts to next M,

FCH: k2, k3cc, k8, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc,

k1, k1cc, k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k8, k3cc, k2,

*k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k6, k4cc, k2;

rep from * till 16 sts to next M,

BCH: k3, k1cc, k1, k1cc, k6, k4cc, k6, k1cc, k1,

k1cc, k3, k1cc, k1.

CENTRAL PANEL (CONTINUED)

Rnd 27:

BCH: k2cc, k2, k7cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1, k4cc, k3, k7cc, k1, *k3, k4cc, k3, k7cc, k1; rep from * till 7 sts to next M, *k3, k4cc, k3, k7cc, k1; rep from * till 16 sts to next M, **FCH:** k3, k3cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k3, k7cc, k2, k3cc, k2, k7cc, k3, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1, k3cc, k3, *k1, k7cc, k3, k4cc, k3; rep from * till 16 sts to next M, **BCH:** k1, k7cc, k3, k4cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k3, k7cc, k2, k1cc. **(+8 sts)** You will have a total of 324 (328, 332, 336, 340) (344, 348, 352, 356) sts.

Rnd 28:

BCH: k1cc, k3, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k8, k3cc, k3, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1, *k4, k3cc, k3, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k1; rep from * till 8 sts to next M, **FCH:** k4, k2cc, k7, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3, k1cc, k3, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k7, k2cc, k4, *k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3, k3cc, k4; rep from * till 17 sts to next M, **BCH:** k1, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3, k3cc, k8, k3cc, k1, k3cc, k3.

Rnd 29:

BCH: k5, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k2, k1cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k6, k1cc, k3, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k1cc, *k7, k1cc, k3, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k1cc; rep from * till 8 sts to next M, **FCH:** k6, k1cc, k1, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k1cc, k2, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k9, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k2, k1cc, k2, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k1, k1cc, k6, *k1cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k3, k1cc, k7; rep from * till 17 sts to next M, **BCH:** k1cc, k1, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k3, k1cc, k6, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k2, k1cc, k2, k2cc, k1, k2cc, k4. **(+8 sts)** You will have a total of 332 (336, 340, 344, 348) (352, 356, 360, 364) sts.

Rnd 30: without breaking cc yarn, kall.

Rnd 31: *k to M, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k to next M, m1Rk, k1, m1Lk, k to MOF; rep from * to EOR. **(+8 sts)** You will have a total of 340 (344, 348, 352, 356) (360, 364, 368, 372) sts.

Rnd 32: *k1cc, k1; rep from * to EOR. Break cc yarn.

CENTRAL PANEL AFTER COLOURWORK

Rnd 33: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

You will have a total of 348 (352, 356, 360, 364) (368, 372, 376, 380) sts. **Rnd 34:** kall.

Rnd 35: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

356 (360, 364, 368, 372) (376, 380, 384, 388) sts.

Rnd 36: pall.

Rnd 37: kall.

Rnd 38: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

364 (368, 372, 376, 380) (384, 388, 392, 396) sts.

Rnd 39: kall.

Rnd 40: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

372 (376, 380, 384, 388) (392, 396, 400, 404) sts.

Rnd 41: pick up cc yarn,

*k1cc, k1; rep from * to EOR. Break cc yarn.

Rnd 42: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

380 (384, 388, 392, 396) (400, 404, 408, 412) sts.

Rnd 43: kall.

SIZE 1 Rnd 44: kall and move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 44: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

- (392, 396, 400, 404) (408, 412, 416, 420) sts.

Rnd 45: pall.

Rnd 46: kall.

Rnd 47: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

- (400, 404, 408, 412) (416, 420, 424, 428) sts.

Rnd 48: kall.

SIZE 2 – move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 49: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

- (-, 412, 416, 420) (424, 428, 432, 436) sts.

Rnd 50: pick up cc yarn,

*k1cc, k1; rep from * to EOR. Break cc yarn.

Rnd 51: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

- (-, 420, 424, 428) (432, 436, 440, 444) sts.

Rnd 52: kall.

SIZE 3 – move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 53: kall + increase along increase lines **(+8 sts).**

- (-, -, 432, 436) (440, 444, 448, 452) sts.

Rnd 54: kall.

CENTRAL PANEL AFTER COLOURWORK

Rnd 55: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, 440, 444) (448, 452, 456, 460) sts.

Rnd 56: kall.

SIZE 4 — move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 57: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, 452) (456, 460, 464, 468) sts.

Rnd 58: kall.

Rnd 59: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, 460) (464, 468, 472, 476) sts.

Rnd 60: kall.

SIZE 5 — move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 61: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 472) (476, 480, 484) sts.

Rnd 62: kall.

Rnd 63: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 480) (484, 488, 492) sts.

Rnd 64: kall.

SIZE 6 — move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 65: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 492) (496, 500) sts.

Rnd 66: kall.

Rnd 67: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 500) (504, 508) sts.

Rnd 68: kall.

SIZE 7 — move to the next section.

ALL REMAINING SIZES

Rnd 69: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 512) (516) sts.

Rnd 70: kall.

Rnd 71: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 520) (524) sts.

Rnd 72: kall.

SIZE 8 — move to the next section.

SIZE 9

Rnd 73: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 532) sts.

Rnd 74: kall.

Rnd 75: kall + increase along increase lines (**+8 sts**).

- (-, -, -, -, 540) sts.

Rnd 76: kall and move to the next section.

PREPARATIONS TO WORKING THE SIDES

- Break mc yarn or take a new skein.
- Move front and back panel sts incl. increase lines sts (a total of 45 (49, 53, 57, 61) (65, 69, 73, 77) sts) onto 2 spare cables, stitch holders or some scrap yarn and leave on hold.
- Remove the 4 increase lines markers.
- Move the remaining left side sts onto another spare cable and keep right side sts on your working needles. You will have a total of 145 (151, 157, 163, 169) (175, 181, 187, 193) sts on each side.

RIGHT BACK SIDE

Shaping the armhole:

SR1 (RS): join mc yarn at the beginning of the side, k38 (40, 42, 44, 46) (48, 50, 52, 54) sts, w&t.

SR2 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

SR3 (RS): k till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR4 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

SR5 (RS): k till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR6 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

SR7 (RS): k till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR8 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

SR9 (RS): k to previous wrap, turn.

SR10 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

Extending the underarm:

SR11 (RS): k28 (29, 30, 31, 32) (33, 34, 35, 36), turn.

SR12 (WS): p to EOR, turn.

- **Size 1:** rep SR11-SR12 (4) more times;

- **Size 2:** rep (6) more times;

- **Size 3:** rep (9) more times;

- **Size 4:** rep (11) more times;

- **Size 5:** rep (14) more times;

- **Size 6:** rep (16) more times;

- **Size 7:** rep (19) more times;

- **Size 8:** rep (21) more times;

- **Size 9:** rep (24) more times.

Shaping the side:

Next SR (RS): k till 7 sts to EOR, w&t.

Next SR (WS): p to EOR, turn.

Next SR (RS): k till 7 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

Next SR (WS): p to EOR, turn.

Next SR (RS): k till 7 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

Next SR (WS): p to EOR, turn.

RIGHT BACK SIDE (CONTINUED)

Next SR (RS): k to EOR (across the last 3 wraps and at the same time resolve the wrapped sts by knitting the wrapped sts together with their wraps), turn.

Next SR (WS): p to EOR. Break the yarn. And leave all sts as they are on the needles.

RIGHT FRONT SIDE

Shaping the armhole:

SR1 (WS): join mc yarn at the bottom of the side, p38 (40, 42, 44, 46) (48, 50, 52, 54) sts, w&t.

SR2 (RS): k to EOR, turn.

SR3 (WS): p till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR4 (RS): k to EOR, turn.

SR5 (WS): p till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR6 (RS): k to EOR, turn.

SR7 (WS): p till 2 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

SR8 (RS): k to EOR, turn.

SR9 (WS): p to previous wrap, turn.

SR10 (RS): k to EOR, turn.

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- **Size 8:** rep (21) more times;
- **Size 9:** rep (24) more times.

Shaping the side:

Next SR (WS): p till 7 sts to EOR, w&t.

Next SR (RS): k to EOR, turn.

Next SR (WS): p till 7 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

Next SR (RS): k to EOR, turn.

Next SR (WS): p till 7 sts to previous wrap, w&t.

Next SR (RS): k to EOR, turn.

Next SR (WS): p to EOR (across the last 3 wraps and at the same time resolve the wrapped sts by purling the wrapped sts together with their wraps), turn.

Next SR (RS): k to EOR,

leave a tail ca. 40 cm (16 in) long for grafting the sides and break the yarn.

With a tapestry needle or a crochet hook, using the yarn tail left on the front side and kitchener stitch, join the open 28 (29, 30, 31, 32) (33, 34, 35, 36) sts of the sides. Weave in the ends.

Move to the armhole ribbing section or leave all the remaining sts on hold and work the left side.

LEFT SIDES

Return to the left side sts left on hold and follow the written instructions as for the right side with one exception: for the left front side follow instructions for right back side (starting on the RS) and for the left back side — follow right front side instructions (starting on the WS).

ARMHOLE RIBBING

Return to the sts left on hold around the armhole and follow these instructions twice.

Rnd 1: starting in the middle of the underarm with mc and 3.0 mm (US 2.5) needles

- pick up and k6 (8, 11, 13, 16) (18, 21, 23, 26) sts of the underarm,
- k the next 7 sts and at the same time resolve wrapped sts sts by knitting the wrapped sts together with their wraps,
- k75 (79, 83, 87, 91) (95, 99, 103, 107) sts of the side,
- k the next 7 sts and at the same time resolve wrapped sts sts by knitting the wrapped sts together with their wraps (or ssk might look better on this side),
- pick up and k6 (8, 11, 13, 16) (18, 21, 23, 26) sts of the underarm.

You will have a total of 101 (109, 119, 127, 137) (145, 155, 163, 173) sts. Join to work in the round and place a BOR marker.

Rnd 2: kall.

Rnd 3: switch to 2.5 mm (US 1.5) needles,

*k1, p1; rep from * till 1 st to EOR, k1, m1Lp.

You will have a total of

102 (110, 120, 128, 138) (146, 154, 164, 174) sts.

ARMHOLE RIBBING (CONTINUED)

Rnd 4 – Rnd 11 (8 rnds):

*k1tbl, p1; rep from * to EOR.

Add more rnds if necessary to adjust the length.

Rnd 12: kall, break mc yarn.

Rnd 13: pick up cc yarn, kallcc.

Bind off using a purl bind-off or any other method of your choice and weave in the ends.

HEM

Return to the sts of front and back panel you had on hold.

Move them onto a 3.0 mm (US 2.5) circular needle with BOR in the middle of the back.

Rnd 1: starting in the middle of the back

- k23 (25, 27, 29, 31) (33, 35, 37, 39) sts of the back panel,
- pick up and k55 (63, 75, 83, 95) (103, 115, 123, 135) sts of the right side (one from each of the short rows plus 3 extra in the corners and in the middle of the underarm),
- k45 (49, 53, 57, 61) (65, 69, 73, 77) sts of the front panel,
- pick up and k55 (63, 75, 83, 95) (103, 115, 123, 135) sts of the left side (one from each of the short rows plus 3 extra in the corners and in the middle of the underarm),
- k22 (24, 26, 28, 30) (32, 34, 36, 38) sts of the back panel to EOR.

You will have a total of

200 (224, 256, 280, 312) (336, 368, 392, 424) sts.

Join to work in the round.

Rnd 2: *k1, p1; rep from * to EOR.

Rnd 3 – Rnd 30

(28 rnds or ca. 7.5 cm (3 in)):

*k1tbl, p1; rep from * to EOR.

Add more rnds if necessary to adjust the length.

Next rnd: kall, break mc yarn.

Next rnd: pick up cc yarn, kallcc.

Bind off using a purl bind-off or any other method of your choice and weave in the ends.

FINISHING AND BLOCKING

Weave in the remaining ends. Soak the garment in lukewarm water. Gently squeeze to remove most of the water and then roll in a towel to dry. Pin out to measurements or desired size/shape and leave flat to dry.

If you feel like the shoulder might be slipping off, use a short i-cord string to fix their position on the back. If necessary you can also add some fastening option on the front.

SHARING AND FEEDBACK

If you feel like sharing pictures or your thoughts about the design, please do so in your projects on [Ravelry](#) and/or under [#bifurcavest](#) hashtag on Instagram.

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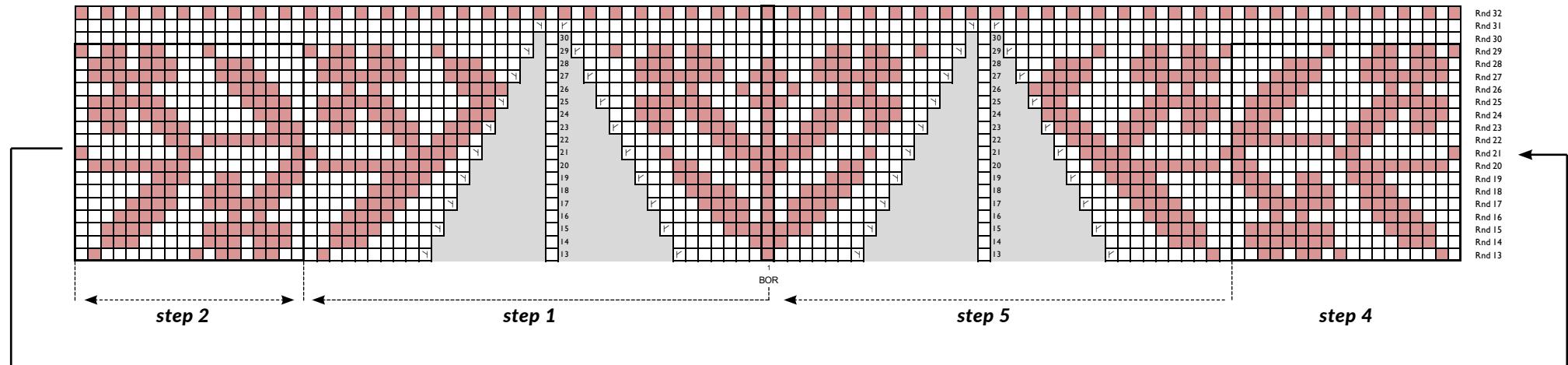
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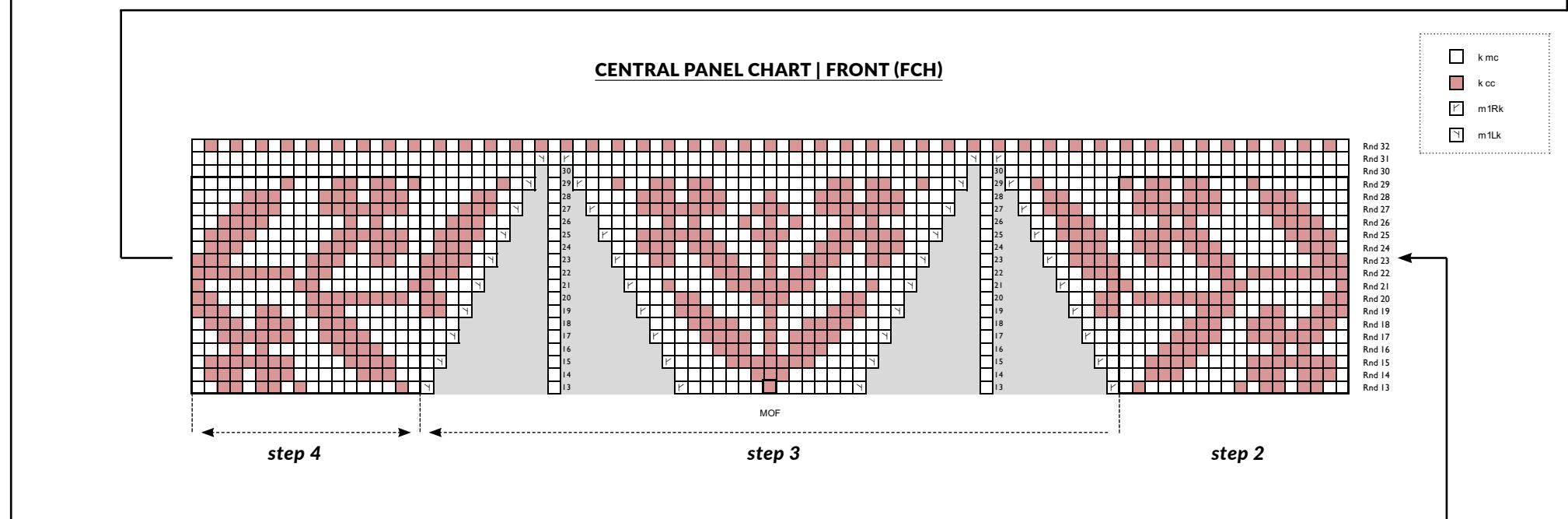
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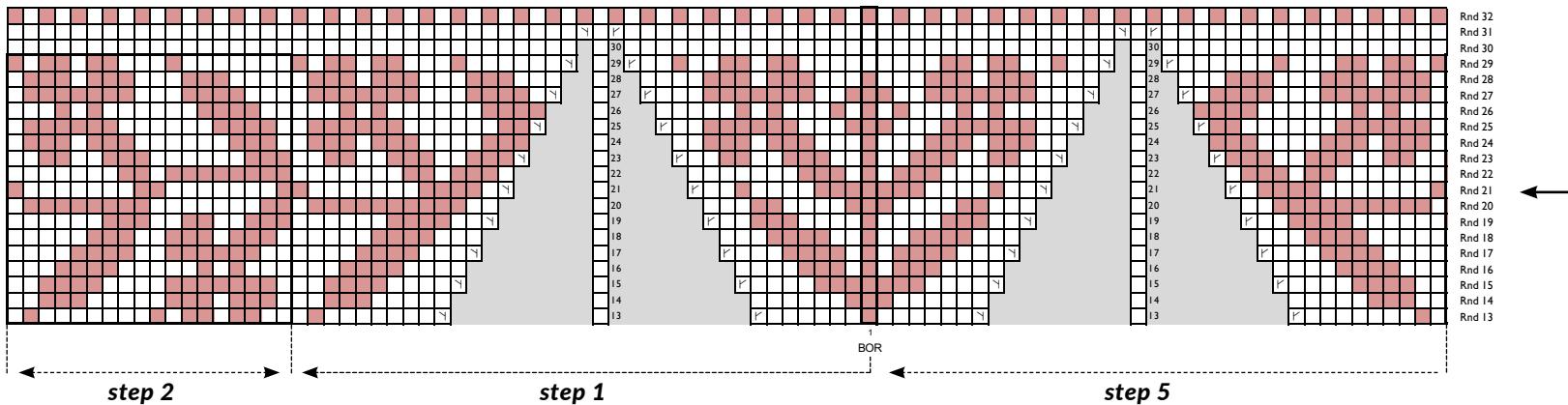
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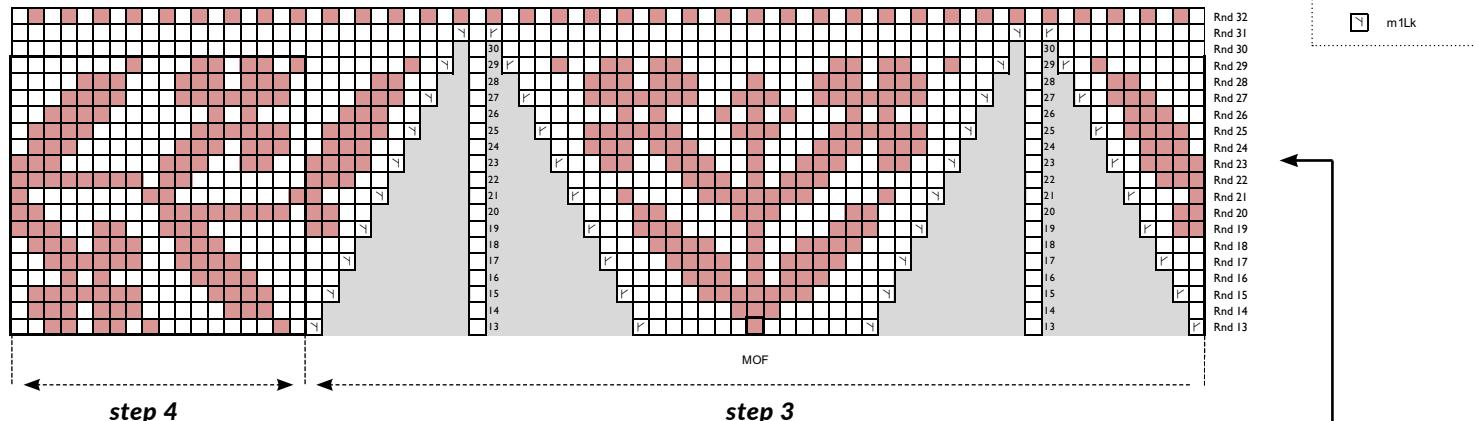
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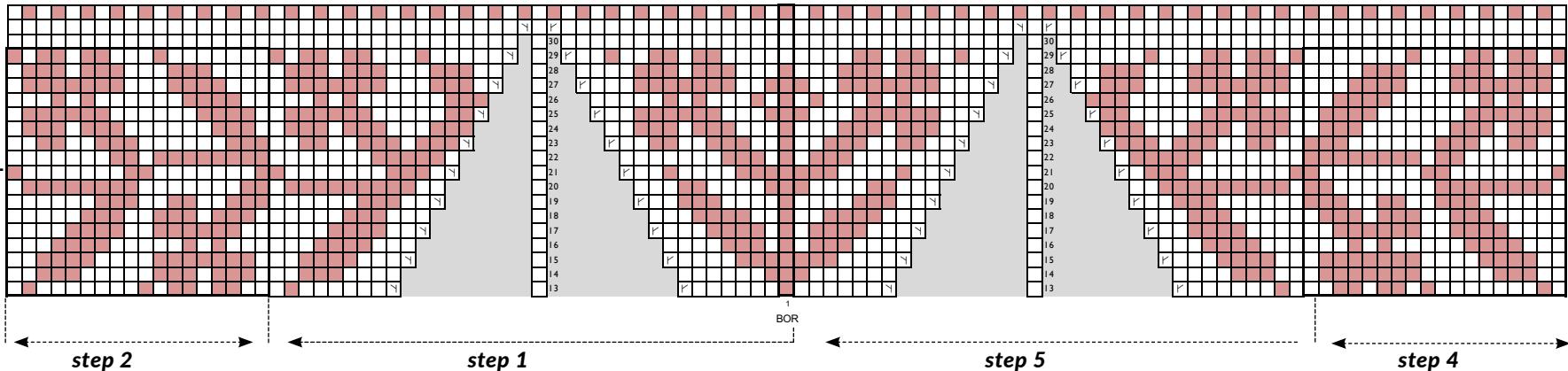


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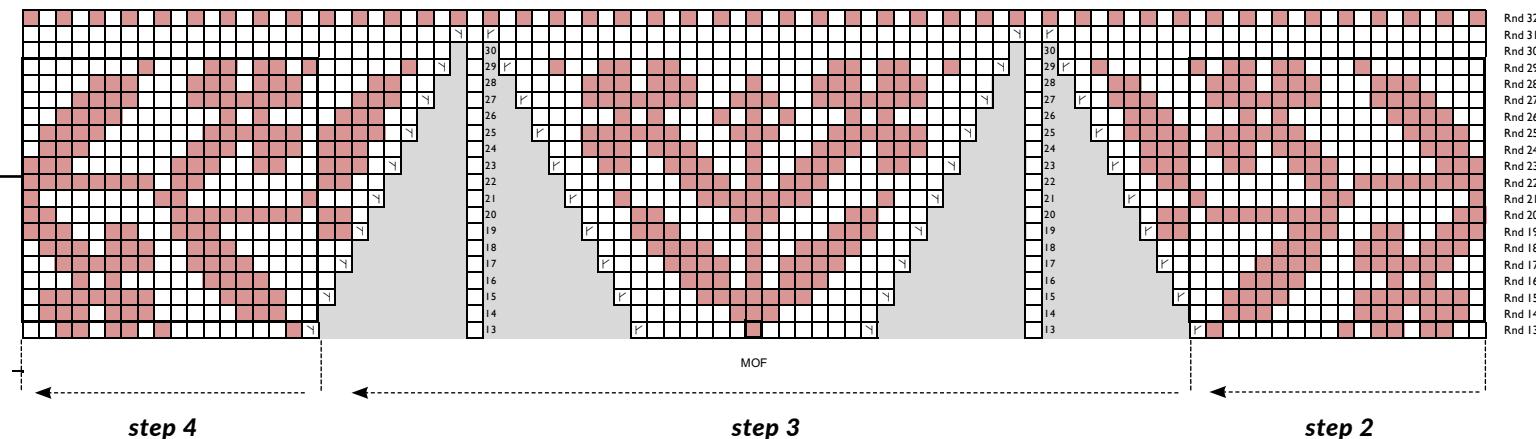


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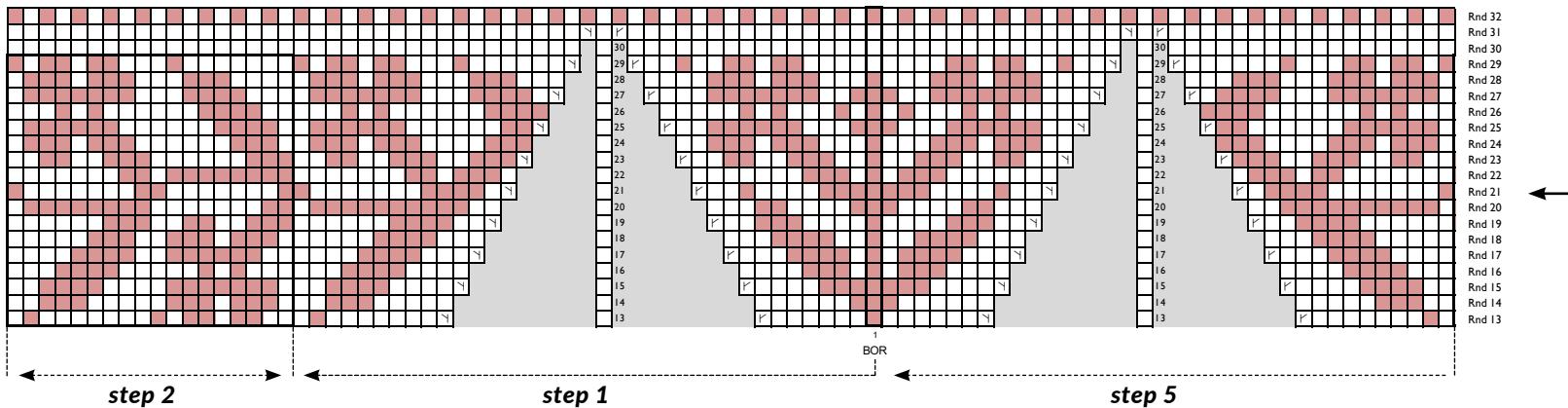


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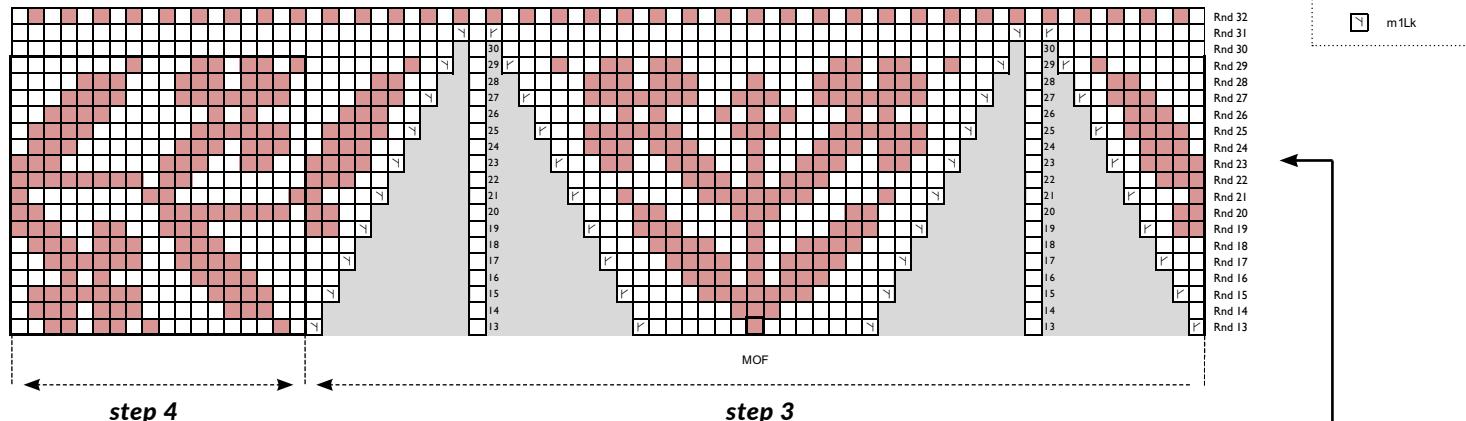


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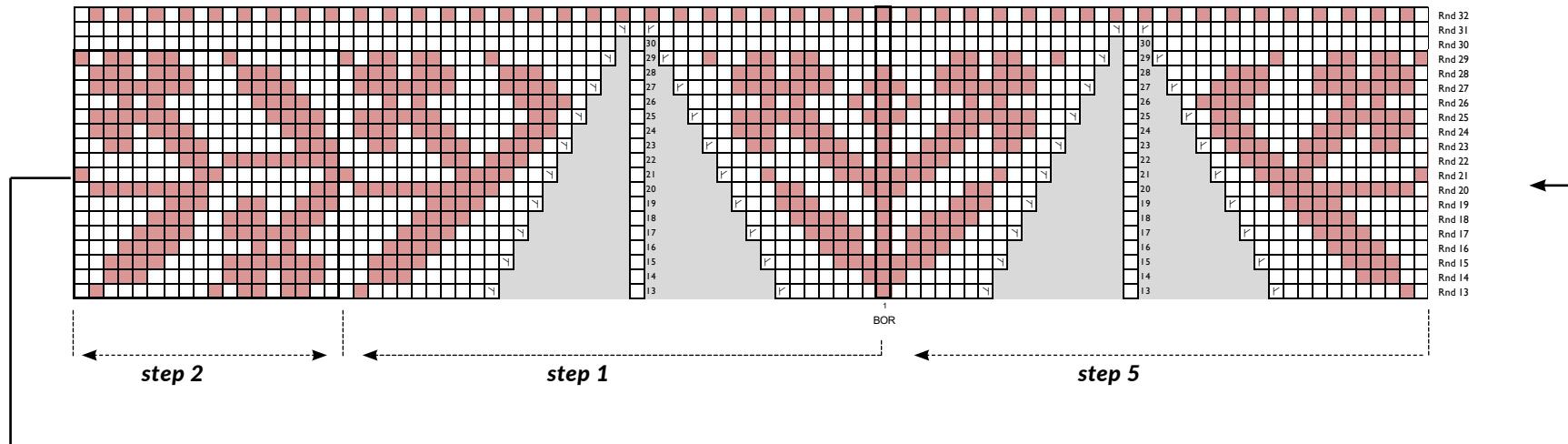


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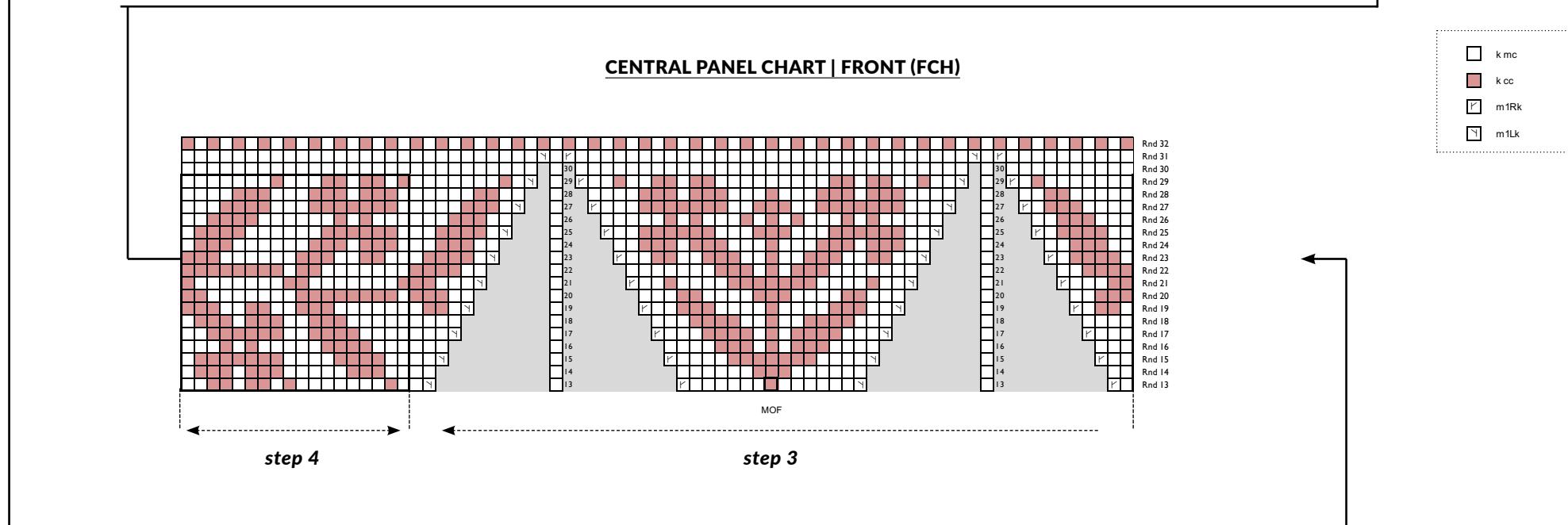


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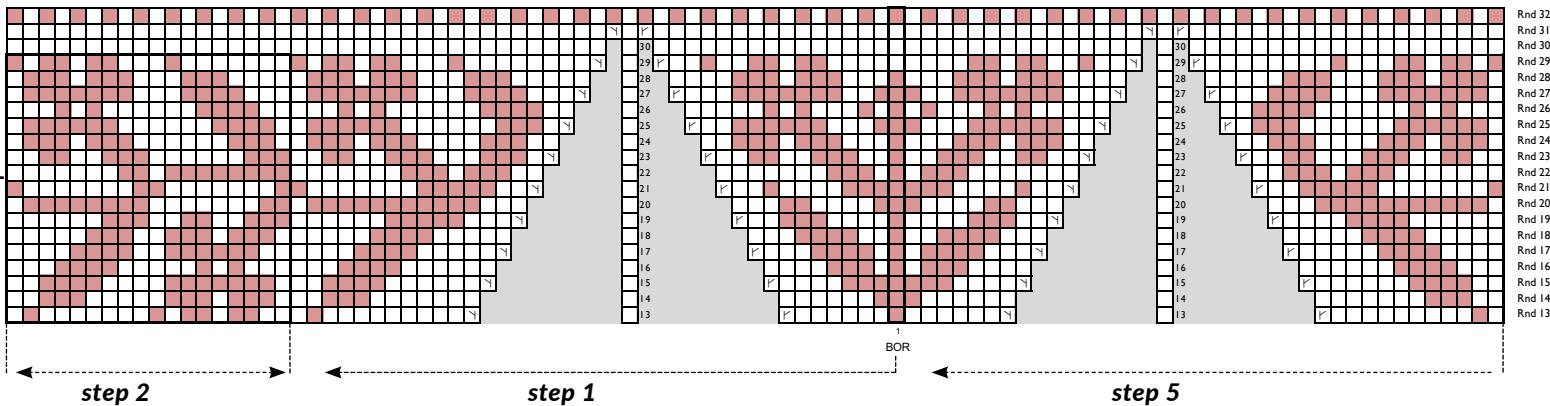


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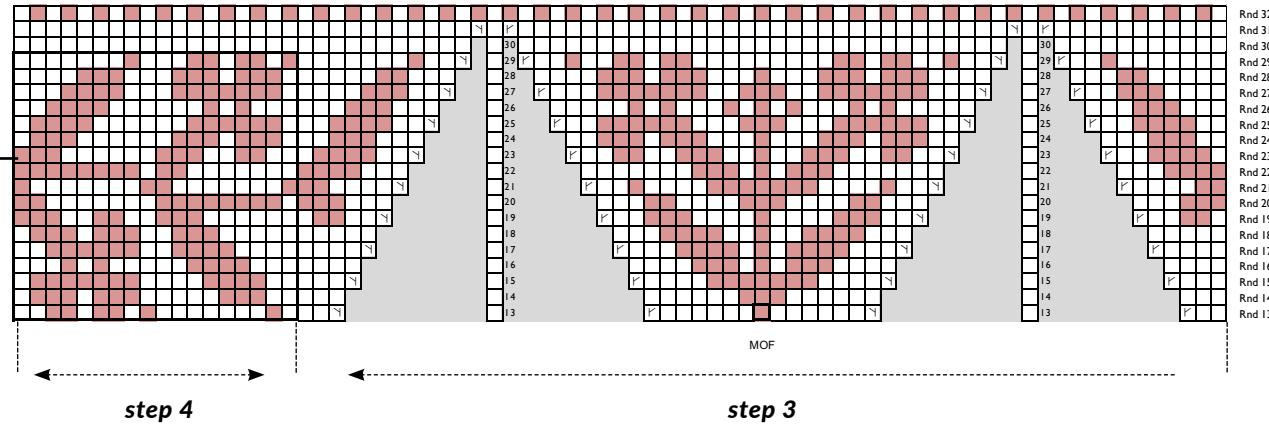


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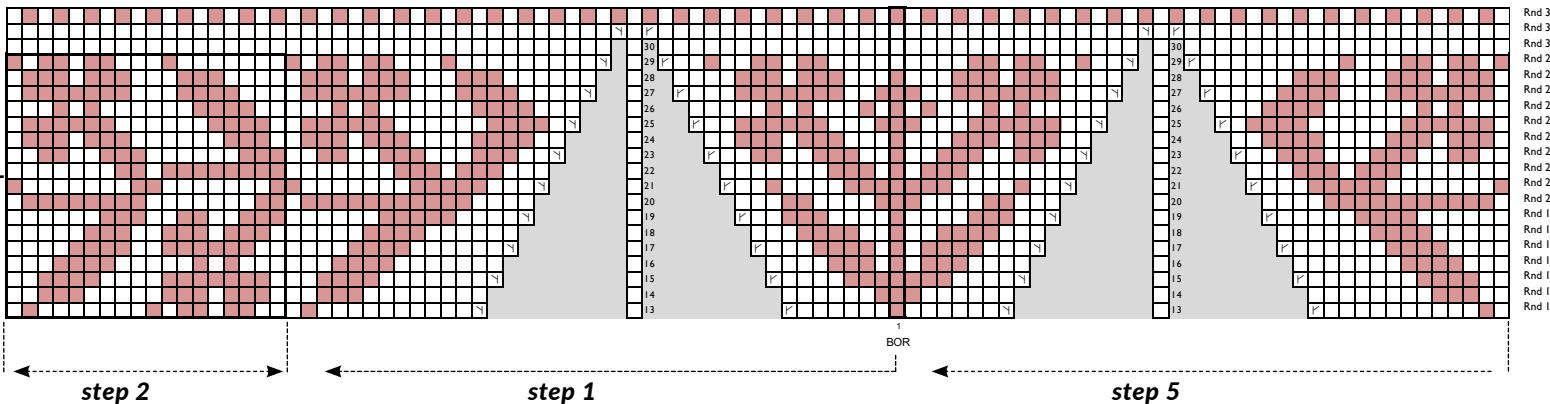


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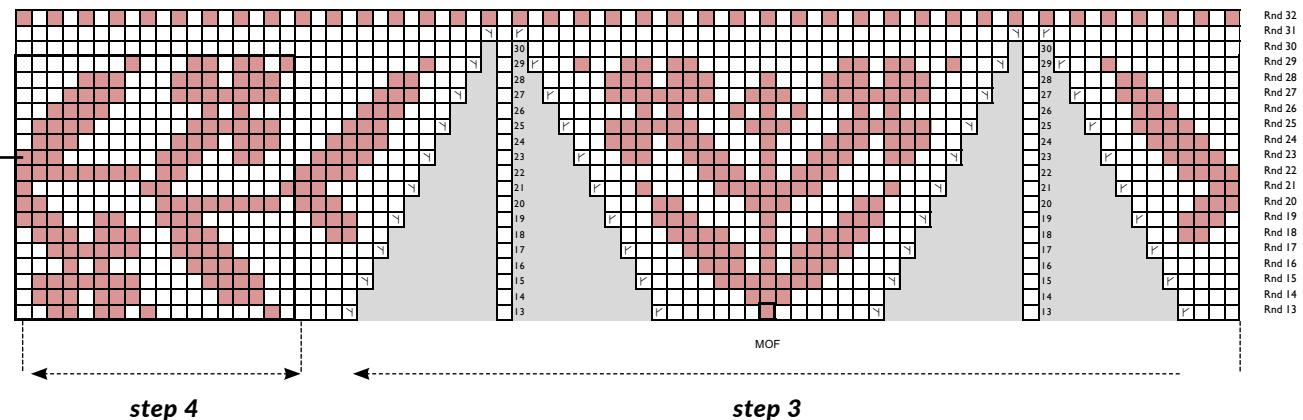


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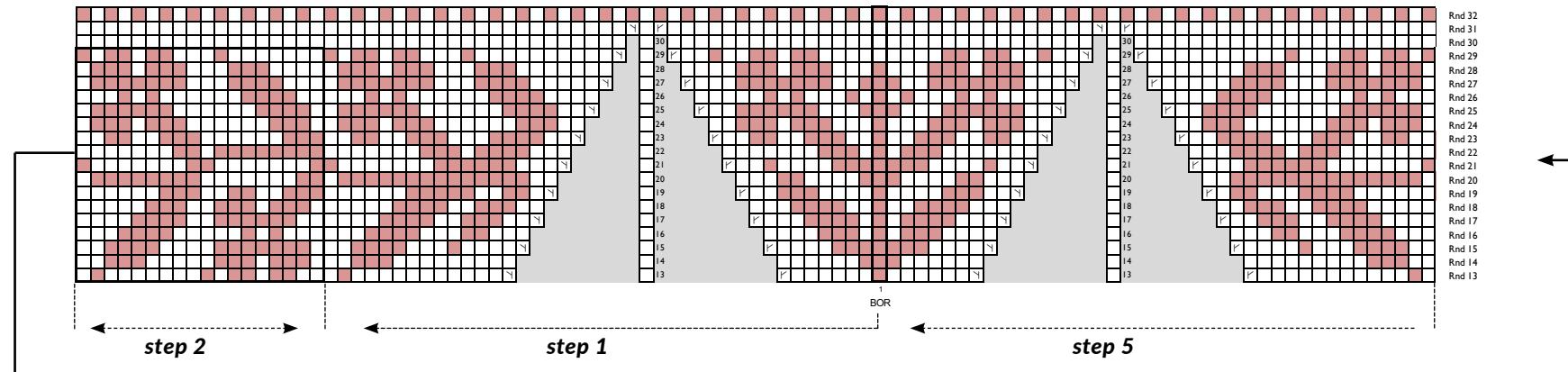


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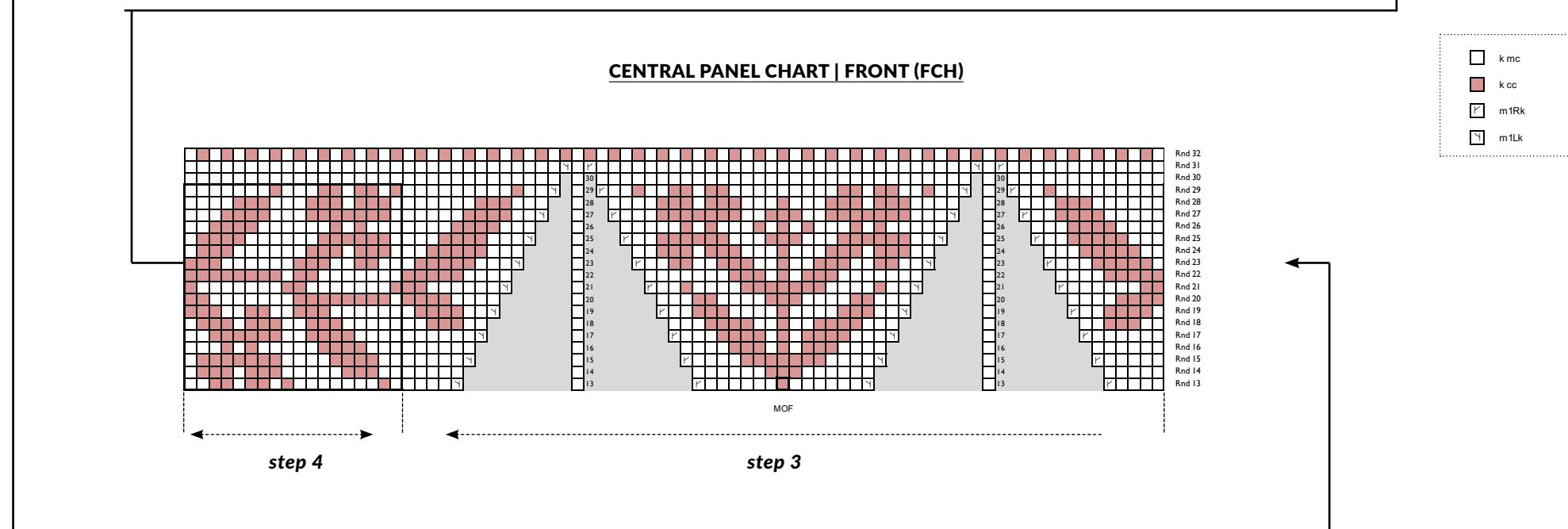


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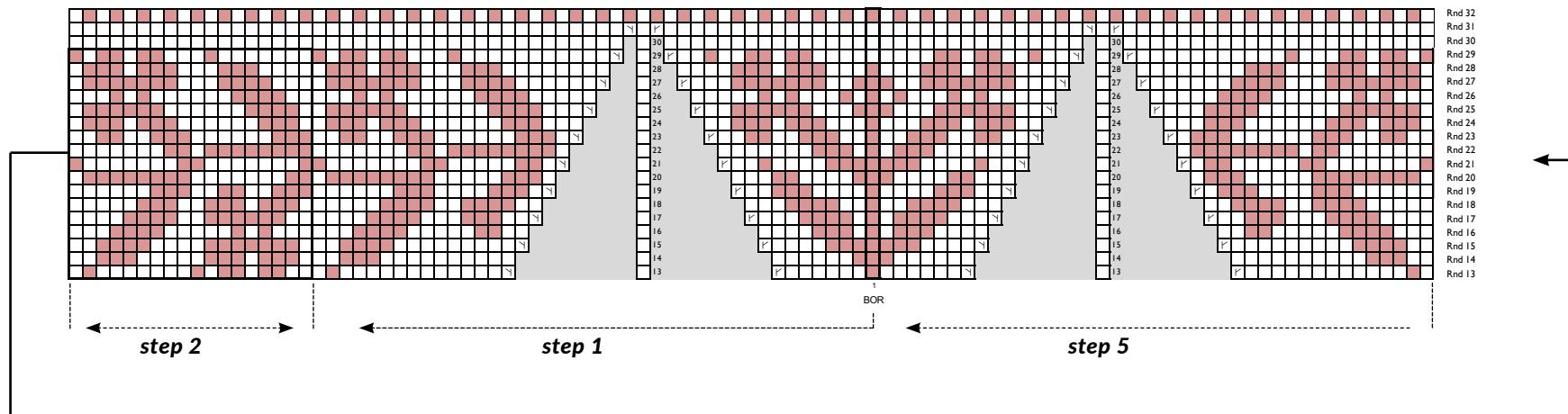


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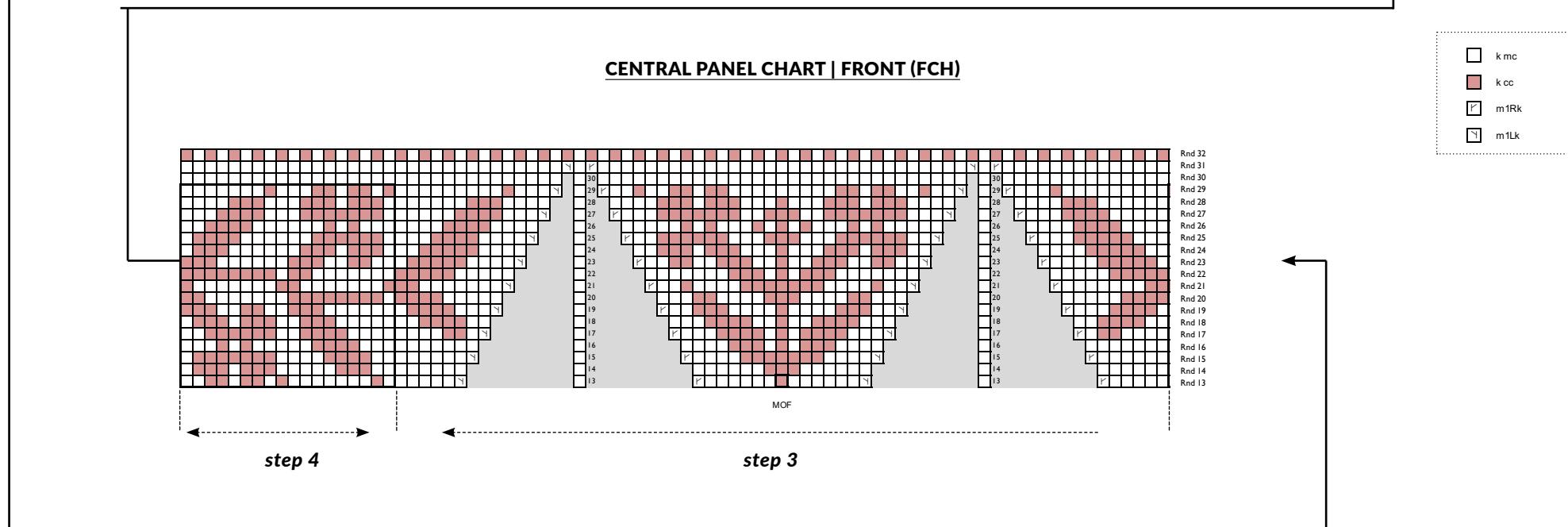


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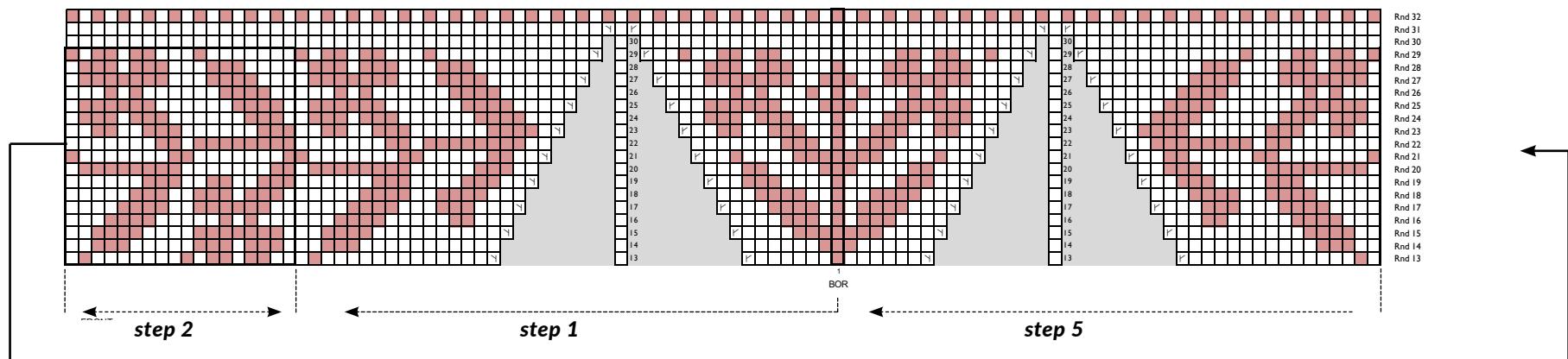


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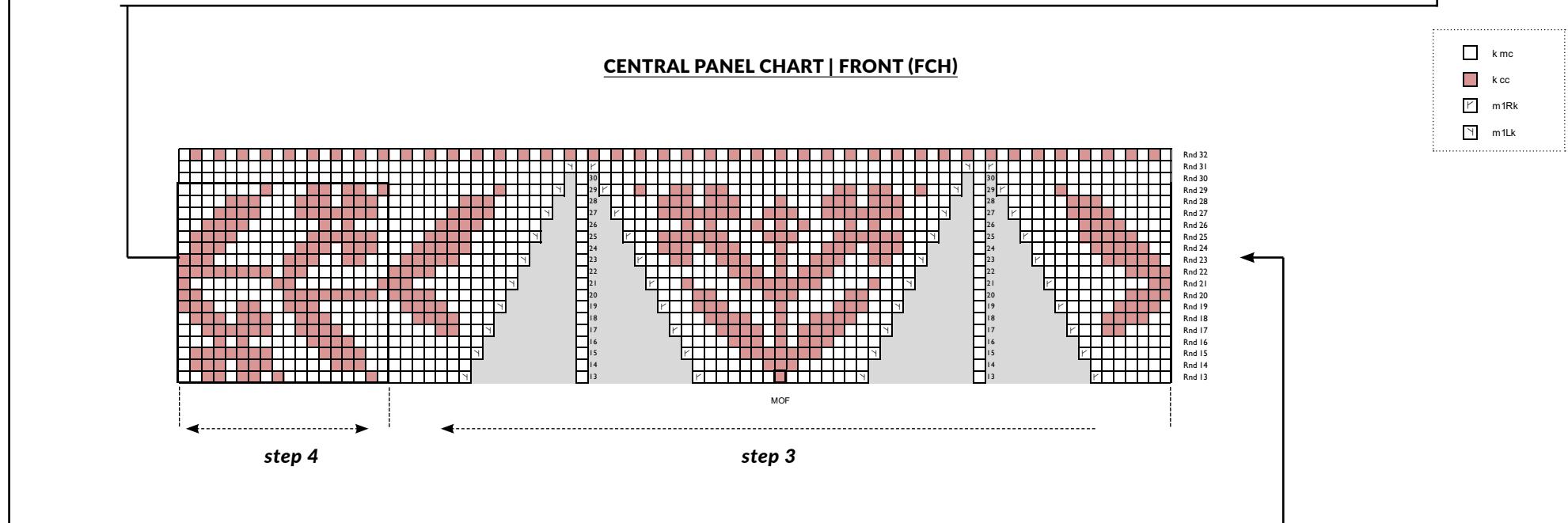


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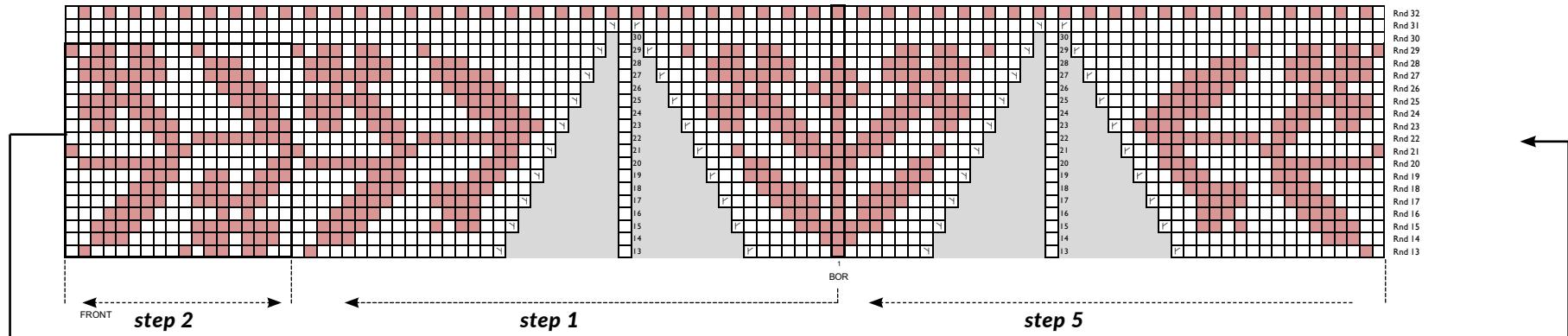


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