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Circe Pullover

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What makes a perfect pullover? It's the small touches that make it special—loose-fitting but flattering, casual and boxy, the perfect wool/alpaca yarn. It makes you feel protected, wrapped in wooliness. Circe is about a lit fireplace, warm slippers, collecting memories, and feeling secure.

Finished measurements

40½ (44¼, 48, 51¾, 55½, 60¼)" [103 (112.5, 122, 131.5, 141, 153) cm] bust circumference; shown in size 44¼ [112.5 cm] on a 33" [84 cm], 5'9" [175.5 cm] tall model (11¼" [28.5 cm] positive ease)

Yarn

Owl by Quince & Co

(50% American wool, 50% alpaca; 120yd [110m]/50g)

- 8 (8, 9, 10, 11, 12) skeins Tawny 302

Needles

- One 32" circular needle (circ) in size US 8 [5 mm]
- One 24" circ in size US 7 [4.5 mm]
- One set double-pointed needles (dpns) in size US 8 [5 mm]
- One set dpns in size US 7 [4.5 mm]

Or size to obtain gauge

Notions

- Stitch markers
- Waste yarn
- Tapestry needle

Gauge

17 sts and 24 rnds = 4" [10 cm] in stockinette stitch with larger needles, after blocking.

Special abbreviations

sl 1: Slip 1 stitch purlwise with yarn in back.

M1R (make 1 right slanting): Insert LH needle from back to front under horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch, knit lifted strand through the front loop (1 stitch increased).

M1L (make 1 left slanting): Insert LH needle from front to back under horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch, knit lifted strand through the back loop (1 stitch increased).

ssk (slip, slip, knit): Slip 2 stitches one at a time knitwise to the RH needle; return stitches to LH needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (1 stitch decreased, leans to the left).

k2tog: Knit 2 stitches together (1 stitch decreased, leans to the right).

Stockinette stitch

Worked flat

Knit on the RS, purl on the WS.

In the round

Knit every round.

Short rows

w&t (wrap and turn)

(RS) Slip next stitch to the RH needle and bring yarn between needles to the front of work. Return slipped stitch to the LH needle. Turn work and bring yarn between needles to front, ready to work next WS row.

(WS) Slip next stitch to the RH needle and bring yarn between needles to the back of the work. Return slipped stitch to the LH needle. Turn work and bring yarn between needles to back, ready to work next RS row.

Picking up wraps

(RS) Insert the right needle tip into the wrap from below, front to back, then into the stitch that it wraps, and knit the two together, making sure that the wrap falls to the purl side of work.

(WS) Insert the right needle tip into the wrap from below, back to front, lifting it over the wrapped stitch, and purl the two together, making sure that the wrap falls to the purl side of the work.

Helpful links

For help with the following techniques, visit our blog:

long-tail cast on

cable cast on

For more information on **wrap-and-turn short rows**, see: www.knitty.com/ISSUEsummer03/FEATbonnetric.html

For instructions on **whipstitch**, see:

www.benziedesign.blogspot.com/2013/05/embroidery-basics-whip-stitch.html

Notes

Pullover is worked seamlessly from the top down, beginning with each back shoulder, then picking up each front shoulder, each shaped with short rows. Front and back are worked flat to underarm, then joined in the round. Stitches are set aside for pocket lining, then worked and joined at hem. Stitches for sleeves are picked up and worked in the round to cuff. Stitches are picked up around neck for a simple trim.

Pullover

Right back shoulder

With larger circular needle (circ) and using the long-tail cast on, CO 31 (35, 38, 41, 44, 48) sts. Do not join.

First row: (WS) Purl.

Begin short row shaping

Note: Pick up wraps as you go.

Next row short row 1: (RS) K8, w&t; (WS) purl to end.

Next row short row 2: (RS) K1, M1L, knit to 7 sts past last wrap, w&t; (WS) purl to end (1 st inc'd)—32 (36, 39, 42, 45, 49) sts.

Rep short row 2 one more time—33 (37, 40, 43, 46, 50) sts.

Place onto waste yarn. Break yarn.

Left back shoulder

With larger circ and using the long-tail cast on, CO 31 (35, 38, 41, 44, 48) sts. Do not join.

First row: (WS) Purl.

Begin short row shaping

Note: Pick up wraps as you go.

Next row short row 1: (RS) Knit to end; (WS) p8, w&t.

Next row short row 2: (RS) Knit to last st, M1R, k1; (WS) purl to 7 sts past last wrap, w&t (1 st inc'd)—32 (36, 39, 42, 45, 49) sts.

Rep short row 2 one more time—33 (37, 40, 43, 46, 50) sts.

Join back shoulders

Note: Pick up wraps as you go.

Next row: (RS) With RS of both pcs facing, knit across left shoulder, turn work to WS, using the cable cast on, CO 26 (26, 28, 30, 32, 34) sts, turn work to RS, return sts held for right shoulder to LH needle, and knit across—92 (100, 108, 116, 124, 134) sts on needle.

Next row: (WS) Purl.

Cont in St st for 10 (12, 14, 16, 18, 20) more rows.

Begin armhole shaping

Next row dec row: (RS) K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 (2 sts dec'd)—90 (98, 106, 114, 122, 132) sts rem.

Rep dec row every 10 rows two more times—86 (94, 102, 110, 118, 128) sts rem.

Cont in St st until back meas 6 (6½, 7, 7¾, 8½, 9¼)"

[15 (16.5, 18, 19.5, 21.5, 23.5) cm] from beg, ending after a WS row, and measuring straight down at armhole edge.

Place sts onto waste yarn. Break yarn.



Left front shoulder

With RS facing and larger circ, beg at neck edge of left back shoulder CO, pick up and knit 30 (34, 37, 40, 43, 47) sts for left front shoulder.

Next row: (WS) Purl.

Begin short row shaping

Note: Pick up wraps as you go.

Next row short row 1: (RS) K7, w&t; (WS) purl to end.

Next row short row 2: Knit to 7 sts past last wrap, w&t; (WS) purl to end.

Rep short row 2 one more time.

Next row: (RS) Knit.

Cont in St st for 7 (9, 11, 13, 15, 17) more rows.

Begin neck shaping

Next row inc row: (RS) K1, M1L, knit to end (1 st inc'd)—31 (35, 38, 41, 44, 48) sts.

Rep inc row every RS row one more time—32 (36, 39, 42, 45, 49) sts.

Work 1 WS row.

Begin armhole shaping

Next row *inc/dec row*: (RS) K1, M1L, knit to last 3 sts ssk, k1 (1 st inc'd and 1 st dec'd).

Work 1 WS row.

Next row: Rep *inc row*—33 (37, 40, 43, 46, 50) sts.

Work 1 WS row.

Place sts onto waste yarn. Break yarn.

Right front shoulder

With RS facing and larger circ, beg at armhole edge of right back shoulder CO, pick up and knit 30 (34, 37, 40, 43, 47) sts for right front shoulder.

Next row: (WS) Purl.

Begin short row shaping

Note: Pick up wraps as you go.

Next row *short row 1*: (RS) Knit to end; (WS) p7, w&t.

Next row *short row 2*: (RS) Knit to end; (WS) purl to 7 sts past last wrap, w&t.

Rep *short row 2* one more time.

Next row: Knit.

Cont in St st for 7 (9, 11, 13, 15, 17) more rows.

Begin neck shaping

Next row *inc row*: (RS) Knit to last st, M1R, k1 (1 st inc'd)—31 (35, 38, 41, 44, 48) sts.

Rep *inc row* every RS row one more time—32 (36, 39, 42, 45, 49) sts.

Work 1 WS row.

Begin armhole shaping

Next row *inc/dec row*: K1, k2tog, knit to last st, M1R, k1 (1 st inc'd and 1 st dec'd).

Work 1 WS row.

Next row: Rep *inc row*—33 (37, 40, 43, 46, 50) sts.

Work 1 WS row.

Join left and right front

Next row: (RS) Knit across right front sts, turn work to WS, using the cable cast on, CO 24 (24, 26, 28, 30, 32) sts, turn work to RS, return sts for left front to LH needle and knit across—90 (98, 106, 114, 122, 132) sts on needle.

Next row: (WS) Purl.

Work in St st for 4 more rows.

Continue armhole shaping

Next row *dec row*: (RS) K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 (2 sts dec'd)—88 (96, 104, 112, 120, 130) sts rem.

Rep *dec row* every 10 rows one more time—86 (94,

102, 110, 118, 128) sts rem.

Cont in St st until front meas 6 (6½, 7, 7¾, 8½, 9¼)" [15 (16.5, 18, 19.5, 21.5, 23.5) cm] from pick-up, ending after a WS row, and measuring straight down at armhole edge.

Join front and back

Next row: (RS) Knit across front sts, place marker for side (pm), return sts held for back to LH needle and knit across, pm for beg of rnd (BOR)—172 (188, 204, 220, 236, 256) sts on needle. (BOR counts as second side marker.)

Next rnd: *Sl 1, p1, knit to 1 st before side marker (m), p1; rep from * one more time.

Next rnd: Knit.

Cont as est until pc meas 8½ (8½, 8½, 8¾, 8¾, 9)" [21.5 (21.5, 21.5, 22, 22, 23) cm] from underarm, ending after a knit rnd.

Begin pocket

Next rnd *place markers*: Work as est to 32 sts before side m, pm for pocket, place next 29 sts onto waste yarn, turn work to WS, using the cable cast on, CO 29 sts, turn work to RS, pm for pocket, work as est to end.

Begin pocket trim

Next rnd: Work to pocket m, k1, *p1, k1; rep from * to next pocket m, work to end.

Cont as est for 4 more rnds. Do not remove pocket markers.

Continue in stockinette with side rib

Next rnd: *Sl 1, p1, knit to 1 st before side m, p1; rep from * one more time.

Next rnd: Knit.

Cont as est until pc meas 12 (12, 12, 12½, 12½, 13)" [30.5 (30.5, 30.5, 32, 32, 33) cm] from underarm, ending after a knit rnd.

Begin back rib trim

Next rnd: Sl 1, p1, knit to 1 st before side m, p1, sl m, *sl 1, p1; rep from * to end.

Next rnd: Knit.

Cont as est until pc meas 15 (15, 15, 15¾, 15¾, 16½)" [38 (38, 38, 40, 40, 42) cm] from underarm, ending after a slip rnd.

Set aside. Do not break yarn.

Begin pocket lining

Place sts held for pocket lining onto a larger double-pointed needle (dpn). Join yarn ready to work a RS row. Work back and forth using two dpns.

Next row: (RS) Knit.

Cont in St st until pocket lining meas 6½ (6½, 6½, 7, 7, 7½)" [16.5 (16.5, 16.5, 18, 18, 19) cm], the same length as body from pocket opening.

Leave sts on needle. Break yarn.

Join pocket lining

Next rnd: Knit to pocket m, remove m, holding pocket lining sts behind LH needle, *k2tog the first st from LH needle and first st from dpn; rep from * until all sts have been worked from dpn, remove pocket m, knit to end.

Next rnd: Sl 1, purl to side m, *sl 1, p1; rep from * to end.

Next rnd: Knit.

Work 1 more rnd as est.

Next rnd: Bind off knitwise.

Gently steam block piece.

Sleeves

With RS facing and smaller dpns, beg at center of underarm, pick up and knit 50 (54, 58, 62, 66, 72) sts evenly along armhole edge (approx 2 sts for every 3 rows). Pm for BOR.

Change to larger dpns.

First rnd: Knit.

Cont in St st for 11 (7, 7, 6, 6, 4) more rnds.

Begin sleeve shaping

Next rnd *dec rnd:* K2, k2tog, knit to last 4 sts, ssk, k2 (2 sts dec'd)—48 (52, 56, 60, 64, 70) sts rem.

Rep *dec rnd* every 13 (9, 9, 8, 8, 6) rnds 4 (6, 6, 8, 8, 11) more times—40 (40, 44, 44, 48, 48) sts rem.

Work even until sleeve meas 13" [33 cm] from pick-up.

Change to smaller dpns.

Begin cuff trim

Next rnd: *K1, p1; rep from * to end.

Cont in rib for 4" [10 cm].

Next rnd: Bind off in pattern.

Finishing

Weave in ends. Steam- or wet-block pullover to finished measurements.

Sew pocket linings to WS using the whip stitch.

Neck trim

With RS facing and smaller circ, beg at top of right shoulder, pick up and knit 2 sts for every 3 rows and 1 st in each CO st along neck edge. Pm for BOR.

First rnd: Purl.

Next rnd: Knit.

Next rnd: Purl.

Next rnd: Bind off knitwise.



Standard abbreviations

approx	approximately	m	marker(s)
beg	begin(ning); begin(s)	p	purl
BOR	beginning of round	pc(s)	piece(s)
CO	cast on	pm	place marker
circ	circular needle	rem	remain(ing); remain(s)
cm	centimeter(s)	rep	repeat(ing); repeat(s)
cont	continue(s); continuing	RH	right hand
dec('d)	decrease(d)	rib	ribbing
dpn(s)	double-pointed needle(s)	rnd(s)	round(s)
est	establish(ed)	RS	right side
g	gram(s)	sl m	slip marker
inc('d)	increase(d)	st(s)	stitch(es)
k	knit	St st	stockinette stitch
LH	left hand	tog	together
meas	measures	WS	wrong side
mm	millimeter(s)	yd	yard(s)

