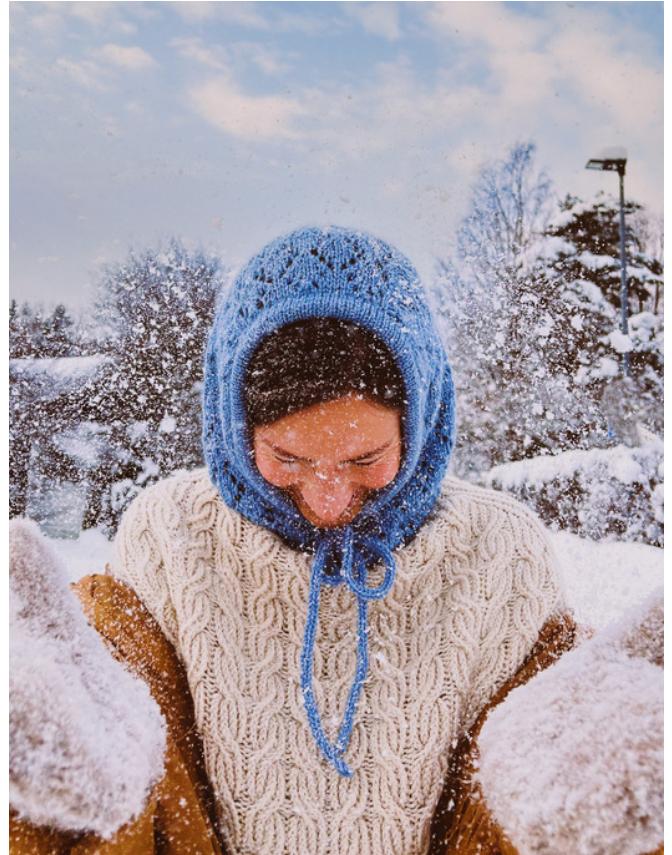


Grandmacore Hood



#GRANDMACORE HOOD

My Grandmother always told us kids to dress up warm and that's exactly what this hood will do: keep both your head and neck warm. This hood oozes of nostalgia and vintage-vibes, and it's the perfect accessory for when you don't want to bulk up with both a scarf and a hat as this one is super lightweight and easy to wear with any outfit. The hood can also be worn down as a neck warmer and adds a nice detail sticking out from underneath your coat.

The Grandmacore hood is knitted top down on 4 mm (US6) needles in a simple lace motif with one strand of merino and one strand of silk mohair together. The work starts by casting on stitches at the forehead and working the top of the head part back and forth. Stitches are picked up alongside the edges and the hood is then worked back and forth until the neck. Then all sts are joined in the round and lastly stitches are picked up around the face to create the tunnel for the I-cord, which is knitted with a set of two 3 mm (US2.25) double-pointed needles.

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SIZES:

One size.

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS:

Neck circumference: 52 cm / 20.5".

Note! The knitted lace fabric is very soft and flexible and will adapt over most adult head sizes.

GAUGE:

17 sts x 26 rnds = 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4" on 4 mm (US6) needles in Lace stitch pattern Chart A holding 1 strand of mohair and 1 strand of merino together, **after blocking**.

19 sts x 30 rnds = 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4" on 3 mm (US2.5) needles in 1 x 1 rib holding 1 strand of mohair and 1 strand of merino together, **after blocking**.

NEEDLES:

3 mm (US2.5) circular needles 40-60 cm / 16-24" (or longer ones for magic loop technique) for neck rib and a set of two 3 mm (US2.5) DPNs for I-cord.

4 mm (US6) circular needles 40-60 cm / 16-24" (or longer ones for magic loop technique).

NOTIONS:

Stitch markers, tapestry needle, safety pin.

SUGGESTED YARN:

125 g Sandnes Garn Double Sunday (100% merino - 108 m / 118 yds / 50 g) in color Hortensia 6032 together with 25 g Knitting for Olive Soft Silk Mohair (70% mohair, 30% silk - 225 m / 246 yds / 25 g) in color Dusty Dove Blue 51938.

The hood is worked holding 1 strand of merino and 1 strand of mohair together.



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TOP OF HEAD

Cast on 25 sts on 4 mm (US6) 60 cm / 14" circular needles with the Backward Loop Cast-On method holding 1 strand of merino and 1 strand of mohair together. Place a removable stitch marker in the first stitch (this is where sts will be picked up for the hood later on).

Row 1 (RS):

Work Row 1 of Chart A. Turn work.

Row 2 (WS):

Work Row 2 of Chart A. Turn work.

Continue in this manner, always working the next row of Chart A until all Rows 1-32 are finished. Cut the yarn and work the hood next.

HOOD

Set up Row 1 (RS):

Attach new yarn to the project and with the 4 mm (US6) 60 cm / 14" circular needle pick up and k 32 sts from the right edge of the top of the head part starting from the stitch marker placed in the beginning of the cast-on edge (you can remove the marker now). Then work Row 1 of Chart C across the next 25 sts (=top of head sts), and lastly pick up and k 32 sts from the left edge. Turn work.

Row 2 (WS):

P all sts. Turn work.

Row 3 (RS):

Work Row 3 of Chart B across 32 sts, then work Row 3 of Chart C across 25 sts, and lastly work Row 3 of Chart D across 32 sts. Turn work.

Row 4 (WS):

P all sts. Turn work.

Continue in this manner, until all Rows 3-10 of Chart B, C and D are finished, then work the pattern repeat 7 more times, or until the hood measured from the pick up edge is 21.5 cm / 8.5".

Then work Rows 3-4, one more time.

The next row is a RS row.

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JOINING FOR THE NECK

Next, all sts are joined to be worked in the round for the neck.

Joining Rnd 1:

Work Rnd 1 of Chart E across all sts until the last 2 sts, k2tog, place BORm and join to work in the round (don't turn work).

You have 88 sts in total.

Continue working in the round, always working the next Rnd of Chart E until all Rnds 1-8 are finished.

Note! *On Rnd 6: Transfer the last st of the rnd onto the left needle before working Rnd 7 (remove the marker and place it so that it's before the last st of rnd 6. This is done to keep the stitch pattern symmetrical as you'll need 3 sts for the first central double decrease worked at the start of Rnd 7.*

Then repeat Rnds 1-8 of Chart E 2 more times, or until the work measured from the face opening is 9 cm / 3.5".

Change to 3 mm (US2.5) circular needles 40-60 cm / 16-24" and work *k1tbl, p1* rib for 10 rnds, or until rib measures 5 cm / 2" and BO all sts using a stretchy BO method.

I-CORD TUNNEL

Next, stitches are picked up around the face opening for the I-cord tunnel which is folded double and attached on the wrong side by hand sewing. At the bottom of the face opening two holes are created by working yarn overs and decreases. Work as follows:

Starting from the bottom of the face opening (where the chin will be), attach 1 strand of merino (you might want to leave out the silk mohair here as it might be irritating to have so close around the face) and with the 3 mm (US2.5) circular needles 40-60 cm / 16-24" pick up and k 110 sts around the face opening (43 sts from the first edge + 24 sts from the top of head + 43 sts from the second edge), place BORm to mark the beginning of round.

Rnds 1-2:

K all sts.

Rnd 3:

K2tog, yo, k to last 2 sts, yo, ssk.

Rnds 4-14:

K all sts.

BO all sts loosely.

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I-CORD

To create the tie for the hood work an I-cord with one strand of merino and one strand of silk mohair. The I-cord is like a tube of knitting which is worked with 2 straight 3 mm (US2.5) DPNs.

CO 3 sts on a 3 mm (US2.5) DPN with the Backward-Loop cast-On method, don't turn the work but instead slide all sts on the right DPN from the left all the way to the right on the DPN. K all sts taking extra care to tighten the first sts to form the I-cord tube.

Repeat until I-cord measures 130 cm / 51" in total, then CDD and pull yarn through.

Weave in both ends at the beginning and end with a tapestry needle.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends on the wrong side of the hood. Soak the hood in cold to lukewarm water to help the lace stitch fabric to soften and open up. Lay flat to dry.

Fold the I-Cord tunnel double around the face and attach on the wrong side by hand sewing loosely. Attach a safety pin to one of the ends of the I-cord and thread through the I-Cord tunnel.

The Grandmacore Hood is complete and ready to wear!

Hope you enjoyed this pattern!

You can use the hashtags **#grandmacorehood** and **#knitwithkika** when you post on Instagram so we can admire your work :)

If you have any questions, you can contact me at kika@kutovakika.com

CHART C

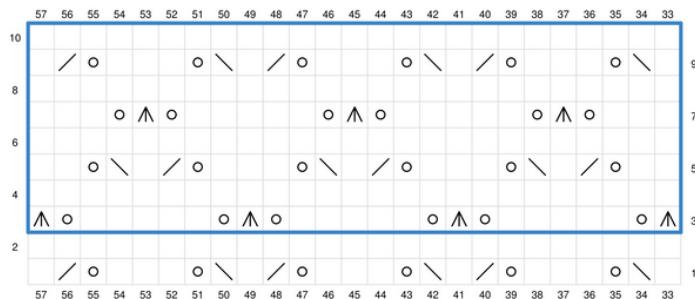


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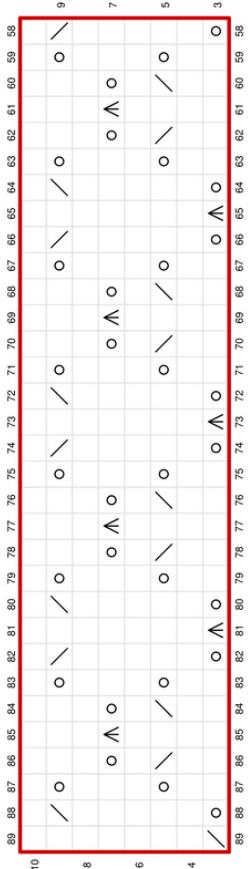


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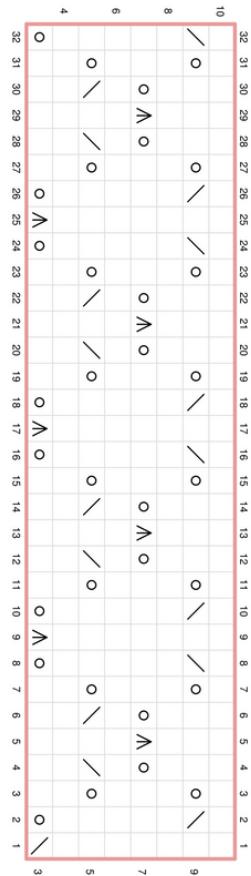
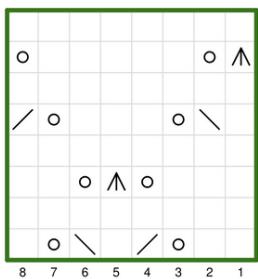


CHART A

KEY

- RS: Knit
WS: Purl
- \ Slip, slip, knit
- / Knit 2 together
- \wedge Slip 1 stitch as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass the slipped stitch over the 2 stitches that you just knit together. 2 sts decreased.
- o Yarn over

CHART E



Knit

\ Slip, slip, knit

/ Knit 2 together

A Slip 1 stitch as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass the slipped stitch over the 2 stitches that you just knit together. 2 sts decreased.

o Yarn over

Pattern repeat

ABBREVIATIONS

BO = bind off

BORm = beginning of round marker

CDD = central double decrease. Slip 1 stitch as if to knit, knit the next 2 stitches together, pass the slipped stitch over the stitches you just knit together. (2 sts decreased)

CO = cast on

DPN = double pointed needle

est = established

K = knit

K2tog = knit 2 stitches together through front loops. (1 st decreased)

P = purl

PM = place marker

RM = remove marker

Rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

St(s) = stitch(es)

Ssk = slip, slip, knit. Slip the first stitch as if to knit, slip the second stitch as if to knit. Slide both stitches from the right needle back to the left hand needle. Knit both stitches through the back loops together as if they were one stitch. (1 st decreased)

Tbl(s) = through back loop(s)

Yo = yarn over

WS = wrong side