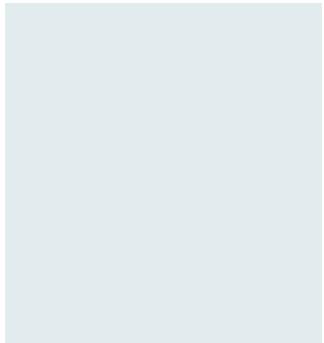
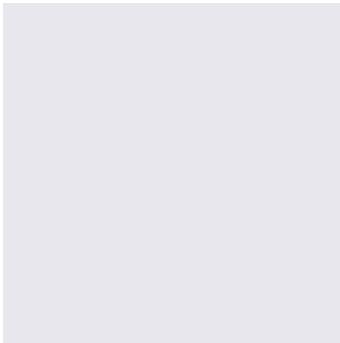


Andy Cardigan



Pattern

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Cardigan with a deep V neck, a double knitted button band and colourful bobbles all over body and sleeves in sizes XS | S | M (L | XL | 2XL) 3XL | 4XL

Note: All measurements are in cm.

Materials:

- **Main Colour:** 175 | 200 | 200 (225 | 225 | 250) 275 | 275 g "Friends Kid Silk" by Hobbii (25 g/ 200m)
- **Contrast Colours:** 5 different contrast colours of Friends Kid Silk" by Hobbii (25 g/ 200m)
- 4.5 mm and 3.5 mm circular knitting needles, optional 4.5 and 3.5 mm DPNs for the sleeves and cuffs
- 3-4 buttons (ø 20-25 mm)
- Darning needle
- Left overs/stitch markers
- Needle & thread

Measurements:

Bust Circumference Finished Cardigan:

99 | 104 | 111 (117 | 124 | 129) 139 | 147 cm with a positive ease of 10-15 cm

Length Finished Cardigan:

49 | 50 | 53 (54 | 57 | 58) 61 | 64 cm incl. 5 cm hem – can be adapted individually

Sleeve Length (from the armpits down):

36 cm (plus 7 cm cuffs) – can be adapted individually

Knitting Tension:

10x10 cm = 18 sts x 26 rs with 2 strands of yarn held together on 4.5 mm knitting needles in stockinette stitch with bobbles (wet blocked)

Abbreviations:

st(s) = stitch(es)
r(s) = row(s)/round(s)
rsr = right side row

wsr = wrong side row

k = knit

p = purl

RS = raglan stitch

SM = stitch marker

MC = main colour

CC = contrast colour

m1r = make 1 right

m1l = make 1 left

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

k1bl = knit 1 stitch through the back loop

Notes:

Edge Stitches (first and last stitch of every row) is knitted in right side rows and in wrong side rows. The edge stitches are included into the total number of stitches and they are displayed in the knitting charts too. For the double knitted button band, please stick to the written instructions to work the edge stitch.

Stockinette Stitch: knit all stitches in right side rows, purl all stitches in wrong side rows. In the round, knit all stitches in all rounds.

Double Knitting: *knit 1, slip 1 purlwise with the yarn in front of your work*, repeat from * to * steadily.

The cardigan is worked with 2 strands of yarn held together. This applies for the main colour as well as for the bobbles in the contrast colours.

Raglan Increases: In every right side row, raglan increases take place as m1r before the RS and m1l after the RS. In wrong side rows, purl all stitches (except the edge stitches).

Make 1 right: Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the stitch you have just knitted and the RS from back to front and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the front loop.

Make 1 left: Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the RS and the next stitch you are going to knit from front to back and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the back loop so that it is twisted.

For the additional increases to shape the front parts, m1l after the first stitch of a right side row and m1r before the last stitch of a right side row.

Structure:

The cardigan is worked in one piece top down with raglan increases. For the V neck, there will be additional increases after the first and before the last stitch every other row. As soon as the yoke is finished, the sleeves are separated from the body and the stitches are put to rest. The body is then worked in one piece and finished with a hem in 1x1 ribbing. Then, the stitches for the sleeves are picked up again and the sleeves are worked in stockinette stitch in the round. Before the cuffs in 1x1 ribbing, there will be worked a bunch of decreases to create a balloon-like sleeve shape. In the end, a button band in double knitting is attached along the front parts and the neckline.

The whole cardigan is covered with colourful bobbles, which are worked directly during the knitting process. The fit of the cardigan is loose and slightly oversized due to the positive ease. The sleeves are wide and tighten at the cuffs for a voluminous look. The intended length is relatively short, but of course it can be adapted individually. You then might need more or less yarn than indicated in the pattern.

Important Preparation Note:

Every few rows, the colourful bobbles in the 5 contrast colours will be worked during the knitting process. Therefore, I recommend to prepare the yarn for the bobbles in advance. The thread for one bobble should measure around 80 cm – but as the bobbles are worked double strand, please make sure that 40 cm will be enough for you to work one bobble. Otherwise, you should make the threads longer (e. g. 100 cm total length = 50 cm length when working the bobble double strand).

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please read carefully through the whole pattern before you start knitting! First, the set up and the raglan increases are described, then you will learn how to work the colourful bobbles and then you will find knitting charts for the front parts, the sleeves and the back part, where the placement of the bobbles is shown.

Body

The body is worked top down in one piece with raglan increases and in stockinette stitch in the MC with colourful bobbles in the CC. Therefore, cast on 53 | 53 | 59 (59 | 65 | 65) 71 | 71 sts with 2 strands of yarn held together in your MC on your 4.5 mm knitting needles with your preferred cast-on-method (= R1 of the knitting chart). The first row after casting on is a wsr, where you p all sts (except the edge sts, they are always knitted). Additionally, place a SM before and after each RS. The table below provides an overview where to place the SM and how many stitches you should have for each part on your knitting needles:

Size	Left Front	RS	Left Sleeve	RS	Back	RS	Right Sleeve	RS	Right Front	Total
XS	1	1	11	1	25	1	11	1	1	53
S	1	1	11	1	25	1	11	1	1	53
M	1	1	13	1	27	1	13	1	1	59
L	1	1	13	1	27	1	13	1	1	59
XL	1	1	15	1	29	1	15	1	1	65
2XL	1	1	15	1	29	1	15	1	1	65
3XL	1	1	17	1	31	1	17	1	1	71
4XL	1	1	17	1	31	1	17	1	1	71

Now work as follows:

R1 (rsr, R1 of the knitting chart): casting on stitches

R2 (wsr): p all sts (except the edge sts, they are always knitted).

R3: k all sts, m1r before the RS and m1l after the RS (**= in total 8 increases**).

R4: repeat R2.

R5: repeat R3.

R6: repeat R2.

R7: k all sts, m1r before the RS and m1l after the RS AND make the additional increase to shape the V neck: m1l after the first st and m1r before the last st (**= in total 10 increases**). Additionally, you will now work the colourful bobbles for the first time (therefore, please find the instructions on the following pages).

R8: repeat R2, but please note the instructions of how to work the colourful bobbles on the following pages.

To shape the yoke, repeat R3-8 steadily (until you have in total 265 | 283 | 307 (325 | 349 | 367) 401 | 427 sts on your knitting needles or until you reach the red colored line for your individual size on the knitting charts).

How to Work the Colourful Bobbles:

1. Start in a rsr. K all sts in your MC until you reach the st, where the first bobble will be placed. *Change to your CC (double strand). Now make 5 sts out of 1 st in your CC (**Option 1:** k1, p1, k1, p1, k1 out of 1 st. **Option 2:** k1, k1bl, k1, k1bl, k1 out of one st). Change back to your MC and k all sts until you reach the next st, where the next bobble will be placed in another CC*. The threads of the bobbles are always on the wrong side of your work and the thread of your MC as well. Repeat from * to * until the end of the r. The placement of the bobbles is indicated on the knitting charts on the following pages.
2. In the next wsr, work the bobble sts as knit stitches in the CC. The other sts are purled in the MC. Remember to work the stitches of the bobbles not too tight, because otherwise it might be hard to knit them together in the next rsr.

3. In the next rsr, k all sts in the MC. The 5 bobble sts are knitted together in your MC (k5tog).
4. In the next wsr, p all sts in your MC.
5. Now work two more rs in stockinette stitch in the MC. End with a wsr.
6. Repeat steps 1-5 steadily to work the bobbles.

PLEASE NOTE: As soon as you work the cardigan in the round (which applies for the sleeves), you have to work the bobbles a little bit different: For step 2, you will have to purl the 5 bobble stitches to create the same look.

Placement of the Bobbles, Raglan Increases and Additional Increases to Shape the V Neck

On the following pages, you will find knitting charts for the yoke, which will help you to place the bobbles.

Important Notes of How to Read the Charts:

There are in total 4 knitting charts: Left Front, Sleeve(s), Back Part and Right Front. Work the knitting chart of the left front first, then the chart of the sleeve, then the chart of the back part, then again, the sleeve chart and finally the chart of the right front.

To indicate the different number of stitches for the different sizes, the boxes of the knitting charts are colored differently (except for the front part, there you will work all sts (= boxes) for all sizes):

For sizes XS and S, work the blue colored boxes until you reach the red line.

For sizes M and L, work the blue colored boxes and the apricot colored boxes on both sides until you reach the red line.

For sizes XL and 2XL, work the blue, apricot and light green colored boxes until you reach the red line.

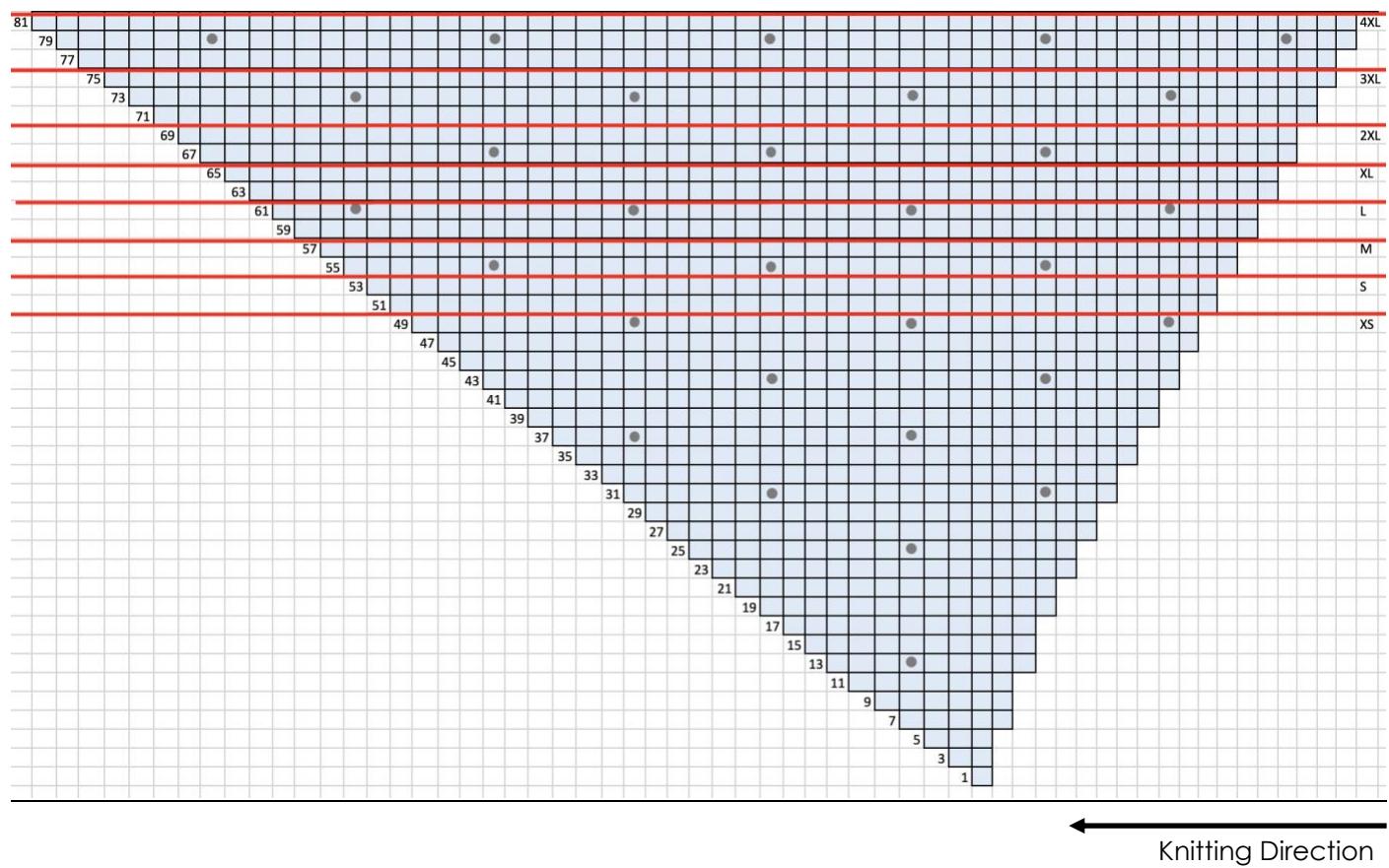
For sizes 3XL and 4XL, work all boxes of the knitting charts (blue, apricot, light green and yellow boxes) until you reach the red line.

One box indicates one stitch in one row (exception: the bobble stitches). The chart is read from right to left and from bottom to top (= basically your knitting direction). The raglan increases and the edge stitches are included in the knitting charts, but the raglan stitches are not shown (but of course you will have to work them). Work until the red line of your preferred size. The bobbles are shown only in the first rsr (where you work the bobble stitches for the first time), but as explained in the written instructions, they will be worked over three rows in total.

Color Placement of the Bobbles: In the first bobble row, you will use the 5 different contrast colors for the bobbles. After this first row, the color choice will be a little bit more difficult, but there is one basic rule you can stick to: Choose always the color, which is not around this new bobble. This means, if CC 2, 5, 4 and 1 are directly next to this new bobble, work this new bobble with CC 3.

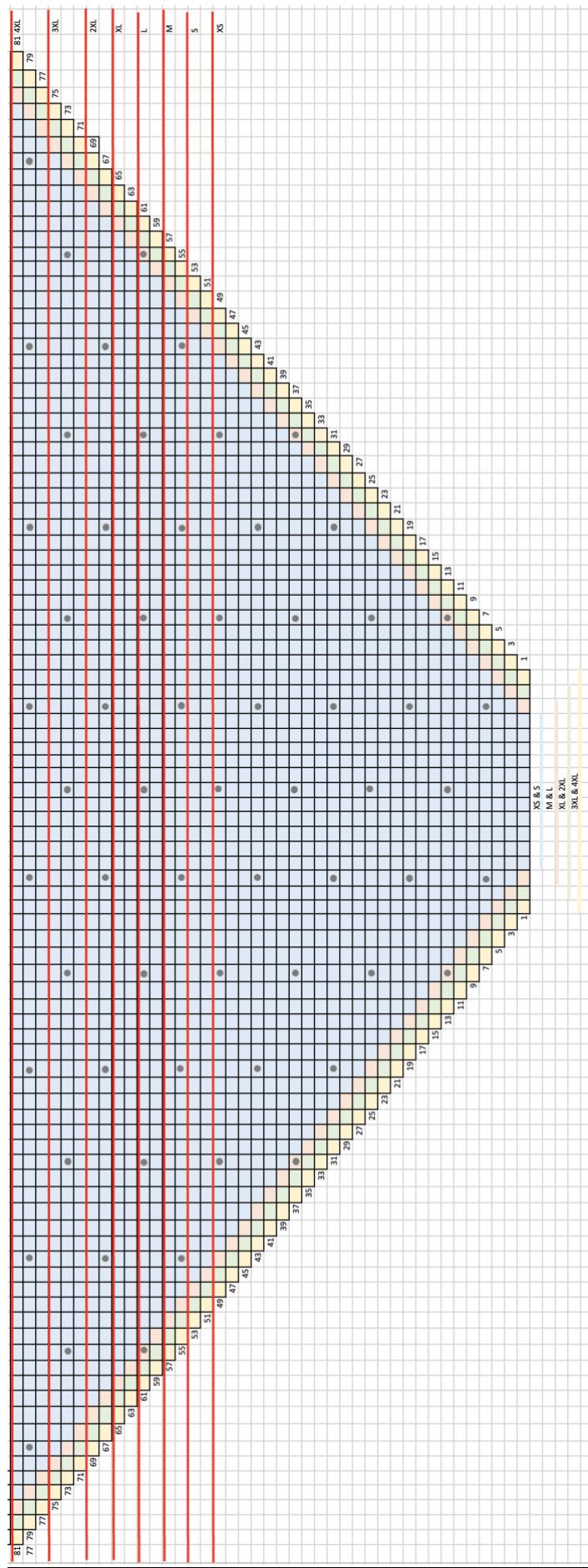
IMPORTANT for sizes XS/S on the knitting chart for the back and for sizes M/L on the knitting chart for the sleeves: In R 13, 37 and 61, a bobble is displayed directly onto the raglan increase. Of course, this bobble cannot be worked, so please leave this bobble out.

Knitting Chart Left Front Part:



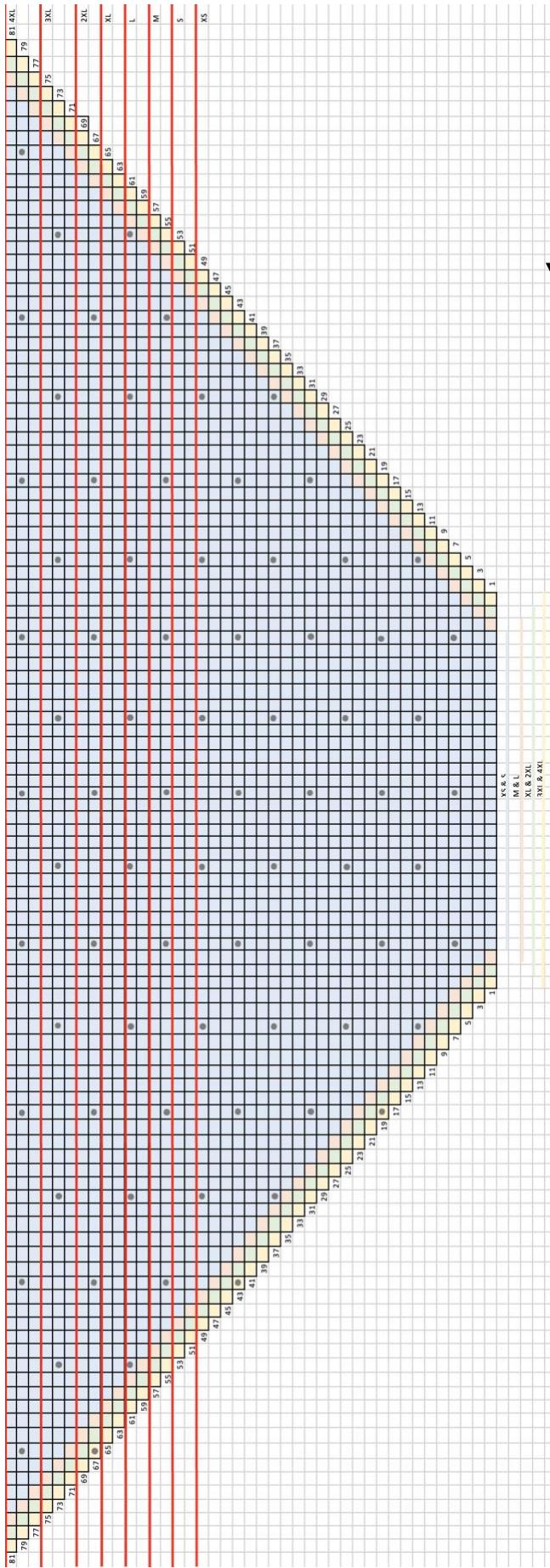
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Knitting Chart Right and Left Sleeve:



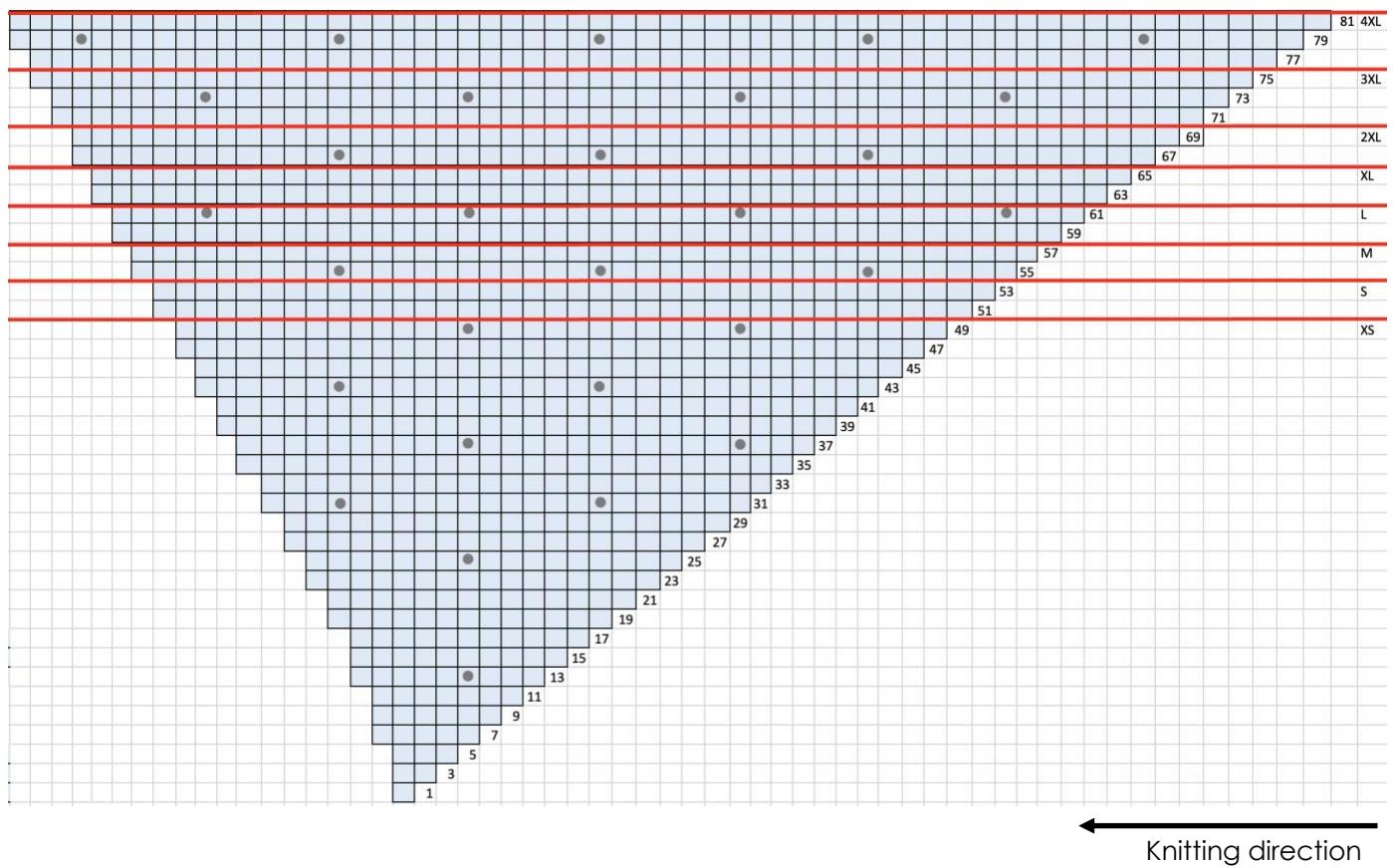
Knitting direction

Knitting Chart Back Part:



Knitting direction

Knitting Chart Right Front Part:



Finishing the Yoke:

Follow the knitting charts and remember the written instructions on the pages before, until you reach the red line for your preferred size or until you have in total 265 | 283 | 307 (325 | 349 | 367) 401 | 427 sts on your knitting needles or the following number of stitches per part:

Size	Left Front	RS	Left Sleeve	RS	Back	RS	Right Sleeve	RS	Right Front	Total
XS	35	1	59	1	73	1	59	1	35	265
S	38	1	63	1	77	1	63	1	38	283
M	41	1	69	1	83	1	69	1	41	307
L	44	1	73	1	87	1	73	1	44	325
XL	47	1	79	1	93	1	79	1	47	349
2XL	50	1	83	1	97	1	83	1	50	367
3XL	55	1	91	1	105	1	91	1	55	401
4XL	59	1	97	1	111	1	97	1	59	427

In the next rsr, the sleeves are separated from the body. Therefore, work as follows:

K all sts of the left front until the RS, k the RS, put the next 59 | 63 | 69 (73 | 79 | 83) 91 | 97 sts to rest and cast on 12 new sts under the armpit, k the next RS, the sts of the back and the next RS, put the next 59 | 63 | 69 (73 | 79 | 83) 91 | 97 sts on a separate rope/leftover yarn and cast on in total 12 new sts under the armpit, k the RS and the sts of the right front. Now you should have in total 171 | 181 | 193 (203 | 215 | 225) 243 | 257 sts on your knitting needles. P all sts in the next wsr.

Finishing the Body:

Now you have reached your total number of sts and your total number of bobbles per row. This means, you won't increase bobbles anymore.

How to integrate the new stitches under the armpits:

When finishing the body, you will have to integrate the new sts under the armpits into the bobble pattern of the cardigan. Therefore, I recommend to maintain the distance of around 11 sts between each bobble. Depending on the size you are working, this might not be possible. Therefore, I recommend to place a new bobble directly under the armpit (onto 6th or 7th new casted on stitch under each armpit).

Please remember that you will not work any raglan increases or additional increases to shape the V neck, the body is just finished in stockinette stitch with bobbles and with a growing distance between the bobble rows: After you have worked the first bobble row of the body, work 5 rs in stockinette stitch in the MC, before you start with the next bobble row. After 5 more cm, work 7 rs in stockinette stitch in the MC before you start with the next bobble row. This is the distance you will maintain until you have finished the body.

After in total 25 | 25 | 26 (26 | 27 | 27) | 28 | 28 cm (measured from the armpits down) – or until you have reached your individual desired length – change to 3.5 mm knitting needles and work 2 more rs in stockinette stitch in the MC. Now work for in total 5 cm all sts in 1x1 ribbing (k1, p1, k1, p1 and so forth). Then, cast off all sts with your preferred method (I recommend to use an elastic bind-off-method).

Sleeves

The sleeves are worked in stockinette stitch in the round: You are welcome to choose between your 4.5 mm DPNs, the Magic-Loop-Technique or short circular knitting needles with a short rope.

Pick up the resting sleeve stitches with your 4.5 mm knitting needles and pick up 12 new sts with your MC (held double) directly under the armpits out of the body. Now you should have in total 71 | 75 | 81 (85 | 91 | 95) 103 | 109 sts on your knitting needles. Place a SM between the new sts under each armpit – this is your new beginning of the round. Now work in stockinette stitch in your MC and work the bobbles according to the bobble pattern and the growing distance like described for the body. Remember the notes of the body how to integrate the new sts under the armpits into the bobble pattern.

Work the sleeves, until they measure around 35 cm (measured from the armpits down). After the last bobble row, work 2 more cm in stockinette stitch in the MC, before you start with the decreases for the cuffs:

Cuffs

K2tog, repeat from * to * until there is 1 st left. Now you should have in total 36 | 38 | 41 (43 | 46 | 48) 52 | 55 sts on your knitting needles. Change to 3.5 mm knitting needles and work all sts in 1x1 ribbing for the next 7 cm in your MC (k1, p1, k1, p1 and so forth). If you have an odd number of sts on your knitting needles, k2tog in the first r of 1x1 ribbing to achieve an even number of sts.

Cast off all sts with your preferred cast-off-method, I recommend to use an elastic bind-off-method.

Repeat the instructions for the second sleeve.

Double Knitted Button Band

Now you are going to add the double knitted button band along the right front part, the neckline and the left front part. Therefore, new sts are cast-on and new sts are picked up along the front parts and the neckline. The new casted-on sts are worked in double knitting and the new picked up sts along the front parts/neckline are knitted through the back loop together with the last newly casted on st of the button band.

Please Note: To make sure that you knitting tension of the button band is equal to your knitting tension of the body of the cardigan, I recommend to add a little button band to the swatch you have already made. Then you can check, if you have to pick up more stitches than recommended in the pattern or if you have to go up a needle size to make the tension work out. In this sample, the double knitted button band has 14 sts on 3 cm and 24 rs on 10 cm.

Right button band with button holes:

Cast on in total 14 sts on your 3.5 mm knitting needles with 2 strands of yarn held together in your MC. Now pick up sts along the right and left front parts as well as along the neckline (2 strands of yarn held together, MC). I recommend to pick up 2 sts per 3 rs. If you have a tighter knitting tension, I recommend to pick up 1 st per 1 r or to go up with the needle size. The total number of sts along the neckline and the front parts therefore depends on your individual knitting tension and the individual length of your cardigan.

Start to pick up sts at the bottom of your right front part and end at the bottom of your left front part. Cut the yarn and start over with the double knitted button band as follows:

RSR: Pick up your 3.5 mm DPN and start with the 14 new casted on sts. Slip 1 st knitwise, *k1, slip 1 st purlwise with the yarn in front of your work*, repeat from * to * until there is 1 st left. The last st is knitted through the backloop together with the first picked up st along the front part. Now turn your work around and work back as follows:

WSR: Slip 1 purlwise, *k1, slip 1 st purlwise with the yarn in front of your work*, repeat from * to * until there is 1 st left, p1.

Repeat these 2 rs steadily, until you have worked the button band for around 4 cm. Furthermore, you can find a video for this technique on my website: <https://www.kolibri-by-johanna.de/claudie-troyer-techniques-techniken>.

From the next rsr onwards, work in the first button hole as follows:

Button Hole:

*Work the first 7 sts in double knitting as described above. Then, turn your work around and work back in double knitting. Continue knitting the first 7 sts in double knitting until you have worked around 1.5 cm. Cut the yarn and start over with the 8th st. Work the last 7 sts in double knitting as described above until this part is measuring 1.5 cm too. Cut the yarn.

Continue to knit all 14 sts in double knitting as described above for the next (approximately) 6 cm. Now you will work the next button hole.* Repeat from * to * until you have worked in total 3 (or 4 if you have made a larger size/ have added length to the body of your cardigan) button holes.

Now continue to work in double knitting along the whole neckline and front parts without making any more button holes. When you have reached the bottom of the left front, cast off all sts and sew the buttons onto the button band along the right front part.

Completion

Wet block your cardigan and let it dry flat. Tighten the threads of the bobbles and weave in the ends (alternatively, you can use the “Magic Knot” to deal with the ends of the bobbles.

Your new handmade Andy Cardigan is finished!

I would be thrilled to see your result! If you like, share it on Instagram with the Hashtag **#andycardigan** and my tag **@kolibri.by_johanna**

