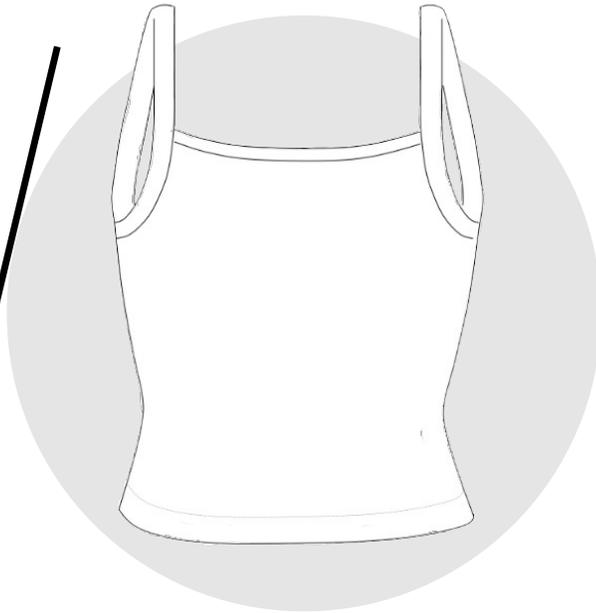


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9PM TANK

KNITTING PATTERN
RIGHT-HANDED

DIFFICULTY: ●●●○○

Intermediate (3 of 5)

NEEDLES & NOTIONS

3.25 mm circular needles (suggested size) + cord, stitch markers, tapestry needle, stitch holder/scrap yarn

TECHNIQUES

Knitting in the round, stockinette, double knitting, picking up stitches, increases (m1r, m1l, m1rp, m1lp), decreases (k2tog, ssk), short rows, blocking

SIZES

This is a made-to-measure pattern with adjustments based on a fixed, negative or neutral ease garment. Please measure carefully to achieve the best fit. Various combinations of upper bust, full bust, and waist measurements can be entered.

GAUGE

4x4 inches or 10x10 cm | *after blocking*
Stockinette: 28 stitches x 44 rows

YARN

Suggested: a fingering weight yarn around 421-437 yards or 385-400 meters per 100 g
Any yarn that achieves gauge can be used.

Possible Yarns Options:

Retrosaria Mondim
Sandnes Garn Sunday
Knitting for Olive Cotton Merino or Merino
Big Little Yarn Co Soft Sock Fingering
Lion Brand Bamboo Rayon
Drops Nord
Knit Picks Hare
Cascade 220 Fingering

Estimated amounts based on full busts of 71-76, (81-86), 91.5-96.5, (101.5-106.5), 111.5-117, (122-127), 132-137, (142-147), 152-158 **cm** OR 28-30, (32-34), 36-38, (40-42), 44-46, (48-50), 52-54, (56-58), 60-62 **inches**: 325, (360), 430, (560), 680, (730), 790, (890), 985 **m** OR 355, (395), 470, (615), 745, (800), 865, (975), 1080 **yd** *amounts will vary from estimates based on individual combination of measurements and length.

**making a swatch flat and in-the-round is recommended if your tension often changes.*

PATTERN OVERVIEW

The piece begins by working increases to form the top of the front piece. A double-knit top edge is added, and the process is repeated for the back piece. The two pieces are joined, and the body is worked to the desired length with optional short rows for bust shaping and decreases for waist shaping. Stitches are picked up at the sides of the front and back to work the straps in double knitting. The body is completed with a fold-over hem.

GAUGE SWATCH

Be sure to make a swatch to ensure your gauge matches that specified in the pattern. If your gauge does not match, your finished garment may not be the intended size nor, the correct shape. This is especially important with a made-to-measure, fitted garment such as this one! The pattern's needle sizes and yarns are suggestions. Depending on how you knit, you may choose to go up or down a needle size to achieve gauge.

10x10 cm (4x4 inches) | after blocking
Stockinette: 28 stitches x 44 rows

9PM TANK CALCULATOR

This pattern is accompanied by a calculator:

<https://tiffknit.square.site/9pm-tank-calculator>

Please enter your numbers (in inches or number of sts, as specified) into the **yellow boxes**. The calculator will generate numbers for you in the **grey boxes** - these match up with the blanks in the pattern [(A) to (M)]. Fill these in! The **blue boxes** provide you with additional reference numbers.

The numbers already there are set as a default. When you enter your numbers, the grey and blue boxes should change - if they do not, please refresh the page and try again. If you need to reset the calculator, refresh the page.

A PLACE FOR ALL YOUR NUMBERS

(A)	_____	(G1/G2)	_____
(B)	_____	(H1/H2)	_____
(C)	_____	(I)	_____
(D)	_____	(J)	_____
(E)	_____	(K1/K2)	_____
(F)	_____	(L)	_____

ABBREVIATIONS

RS - right side

WS - wrong side

k - knit stitch

p - purl stitch

sl - slip stitch

wyif - with yarn in front

SM - stitch marker

[m1l/m1r](#) - make 1 left/make 1 right

[m1lp/m1rp](#) - make 1 left/make 1 right

k2tog/p2tog - knit/purl 2 together

[ssk](#) - slip 2 sts k-wise, insert resting needle in

front of 2 slipped sts and k2tog tbl

tbl - through the back loop

BOR - beginning of the round

Working needle: needle that is knitting sts

Resting needle: needle holding sts

DIRECTIONS

Left and Right refer to directions when the garment is worn.

Scroll down to the bottom of the calculator if you need to convert cm to in - round numbers as stated in the pattern

FRONT & BACK	
ENTER YOUR HIGH BUST MEASUREMENT (INCHES):	32
ENTER YOUR FULL BUST MEASUREMENT (INCHES):	34
(A) Cast on	56 sts
(B) After Increases 1	62 sts
(C) After Increases 2	74 sts
(D) Repeat Increases 3 until	90 sts
Length from the cast on edge	3.25 inches
(E) Neckline pick up (front)	45 sts
(F) Neckline pick up (back)	50 sts

JOINING IN THE ROUND	
(G1) Cast on	4 sts
(G2) Cast on	8 sts
(H1) Total	188 sts
(H2) Total	196 sts

SHORT ROWS	
ENTER YOUR OVER BUST MEASUREMENT (INCHES):	36
ENTER YOUR SIDE BUST MEASUREMENT (INCHES):	35
Difference (inches)	1
Short Rows?	No, skip to Decreases
(I) Short Rows	15 sts before side SM

DECREASES	
ENTER YOUR WAIST MEASUREMENT (INCHES):	24
(J) Regular Round	1 round(s)
(K1) Repeats of Step 1 and 2	24 repeats
(K2) Repeats of Step 1 and 2	28 repeats
(L) After Decreases	140 sts

LEGEND	
Yellow boxes are where you will enter your measurements in inches	
The numbers in the gray shaded boxes correspond to those in the pattern	
The numbers/text in the light blue shaded boxes are used for reference	

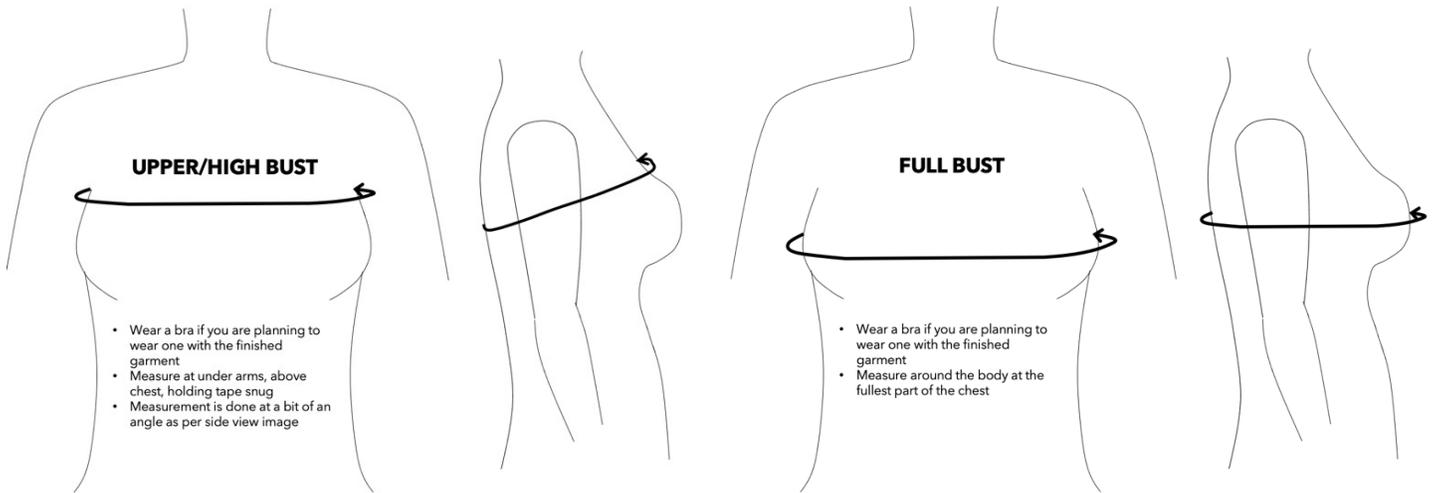
Centimeters	0
Inches	0

The calculator is not compatible with a mobile or tablet device. If you do not have access to a desktop, please contact me. I would be happy to input your numbers and send a screenshot!

THE PATTERN BEGINS HERE:

FRONT PIECE

Enter your upper bust measurement: _____ (inches) and your full bust measurement: _____ (inches).
(Measurement should be taken under the arms).



[description]: the front piece is worked top-down for a short length back and forth. Then, stitches are added on both sides with 3 sets of increases to create shape around the arms. After the increases are completed, live stitches are placed on a stitch holder/scrap yarn while the neckline edge is worked.

Cast on (A) _____ sts using the long tail cast on.

Purl 1 row.

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: knit all sts

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: purl all sts

Repeat Rows 1-2 until the piece measures 0.5" or 1.25 cm from the cast on edge. The next row is a RS row.

Increases 1

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k2, m1r knit across until 2 sts, m1l, k2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: purl all sts

|| Row 3 (RS) ||: knit all sts

|| Row 4 (WS) ||: purl all sts

Work rows 1-4 a total of three times (i.e., twice more) for a total of 6 sts increased or, (B) _____ sts are on the needles. Then next row is a RS row.

Increases 2

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k2, m1r, knit across until 2 sts, m1l, k2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: purl all sts

Repeat rows 1-2 until (C) _____ sts are on the needles. The next row is a RS row.

Increases 3

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k2, m1r, knit across until 2 sts, m1l, k2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: p2, m1lp, purl across until 2 sts, m1rp, p2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

Repeat rows 1-2 until (D) _____ sts are on the needles. Next row is a RS row.

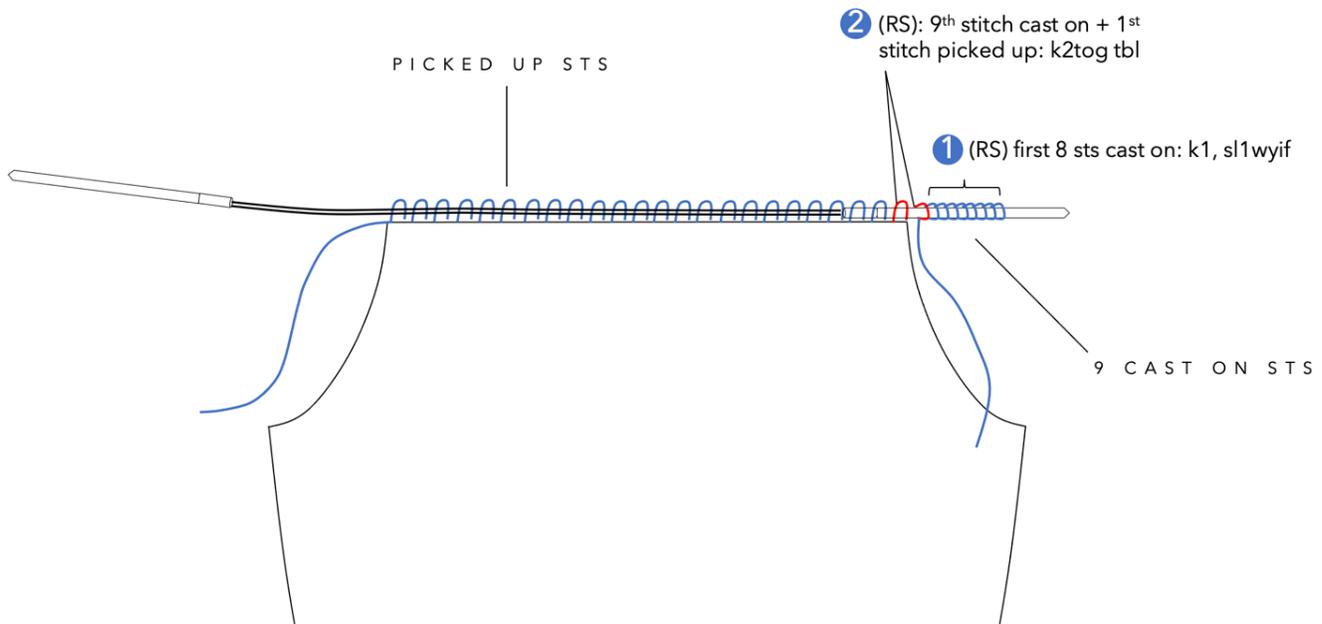
If you have completed all increases on a RS row, knit one more row without increases so that a WS row is the last row knit. Set this piece aside on a stitch holder or scrap yarn. Cut the yarn.

Neckline Edge

[description]: stitches will be picked up along the cast on edge then the yarn is cut. Returning to the start of the pick-up, new stitches are casted onto the resting needle. Now, double knitting begins on the RS starting with the newly cast on stitches. The last stitch that was cast on will be knit together through the back loop with the first stitch that was picked up. The work is turned, and double knitting continues but this time, starting with slipping the first stitch instead of knitting it.

Pick up every 4 of 5 (i.e., pick up 4 sts, skip the 5th one and repeat across). This will be approximately (E) _____ sts picked up. Cut the yarn to a length long enough so that it can be woven in later (i.e., at least 3 inches or 7.75 cm).

Return to the start of the pick-up. On your resting needle, cast on 9 sts using a long tail cast on or whichever method is preferred. Now, double knitting begins:



|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k1, sl1wyif, repeat until 2 sts remain, kt2og tbl. Turn the work. [10 sts worked total]

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: sl1wyif, k1 until there is 1 stitch left, sl1wyif. Turn the work. [9 sts worked total]

Repeat rows 1-2 until all the stitches that were picked-up are worked.
Bind off all k sts in k and all p sts in p.

BACK PIECE

[description]: The back piece will start off wider than the front piece as it will sit lower/be shorter than the front piece. It will be worked in the same way as the front piece starting at 'Increases 2'.

Cast on (B) _____ sts with a long tail cast on.

Work 3 rows in stockinette starting on the WS (Purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row).

Increases 2

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k2, m1r, knit across until 2 sts, m1l, k2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: purl all sts

Repeat rows 1-2 until (C) _____ sts are on the needles.

The next row is a RS row.

BACK PIECE Continued

Increases 3

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k2, m1r, knit across until 2 sts, m1l, k2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: p2, m1lp, purl across until 2 sts, m1lr, p2 - (# of sts has now increased by 2)

Repeat rows 1-2 until (D) _____ sts are on the needles.

Next row is a RS row. If you have completed all increases on a RS row, knit one more row without increases so that a WS row is the last row knit.

Set this piece aside on a stitch holder or scrap yarn.

Neckline Edge

[description]: worked the same way the neckline edge from the front piece was worked.

Pick up every 4 of 5 (i.e., pick up 4 sts, skip the 5th one and repeat across). This will be approximately (F) _____ sts picked up. Cut the yarn to a length long enough so that it can be woven in later (i.e. at least 3 inches or 7.75 cm).

Return to the start of the pick-up. On your resting needle, cast on 9 sts using a long tail cast on or whichever method is preferred. Now, double knitting begins:

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k1, sl1wyif, repeat until 2 sts remain, kt2og tbl. Turn the work.

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: sl1wyif, k1 until there is 1 stitch left, sl1wyif. Turn the work.

Repeat rows 1-2 until all the stitches that were picked-up are worked.

Bind off all k sts in k and all p sts in p.

JOINING IN THE ROUND

[description]: both front and back pieces should be placed on a cord that suits your full bust measurement with the front piece on the needles behind the back. New stitches will be cast on between the pieces as you work across to join both pieces in the round.

The calculator provides a stitch counts for two different fit options: (G1) and (G2) sts. If more negative ease at the bust is preferred, cast on (G1) sts, if more neutral ease is preferred at the bust, cast on (G2) sts. Your choice to use (G1) vs (G2) will correspond with either (H1) or (H2) (i.e. (G1) → (H1) and (G2) → (H2)).

Work across the back piece sts, cast on (G1)/(G2) _____ sts and place a SM in the middle, work across the front piece sts, cast on (G1)/(G2) _____ sts and place another SM in the middle, place a BOR marker.

There are now (H1)/(H2) _____ sts total in the round (2 SMs with half the sts between each and one BOR).

Knit in the round for 1 inch or 2.5 cm (or 11 rounds).

After joining in the round, it is recommended to move to the '**STRAPS**' section. Having the straps completed makes the knit wearable and will just require adding length and decreases (if applicable). Having the knit wearable allows you to better determine where the short rows will sit and how long you would like your garment to be.

SHORT ROWS (OPTIONAL)

[description]: short rows will form a bust dart to improve fit for a larger chest. Enter your over bust and side bust measurements into the calculator (instructions on how to take this measurement below). The calculator provides a 'yes' or 'no' based on the over bust - side bust difference. If 'No', skip to 'DECREASES' section. See Adjustments before beginning short rows.

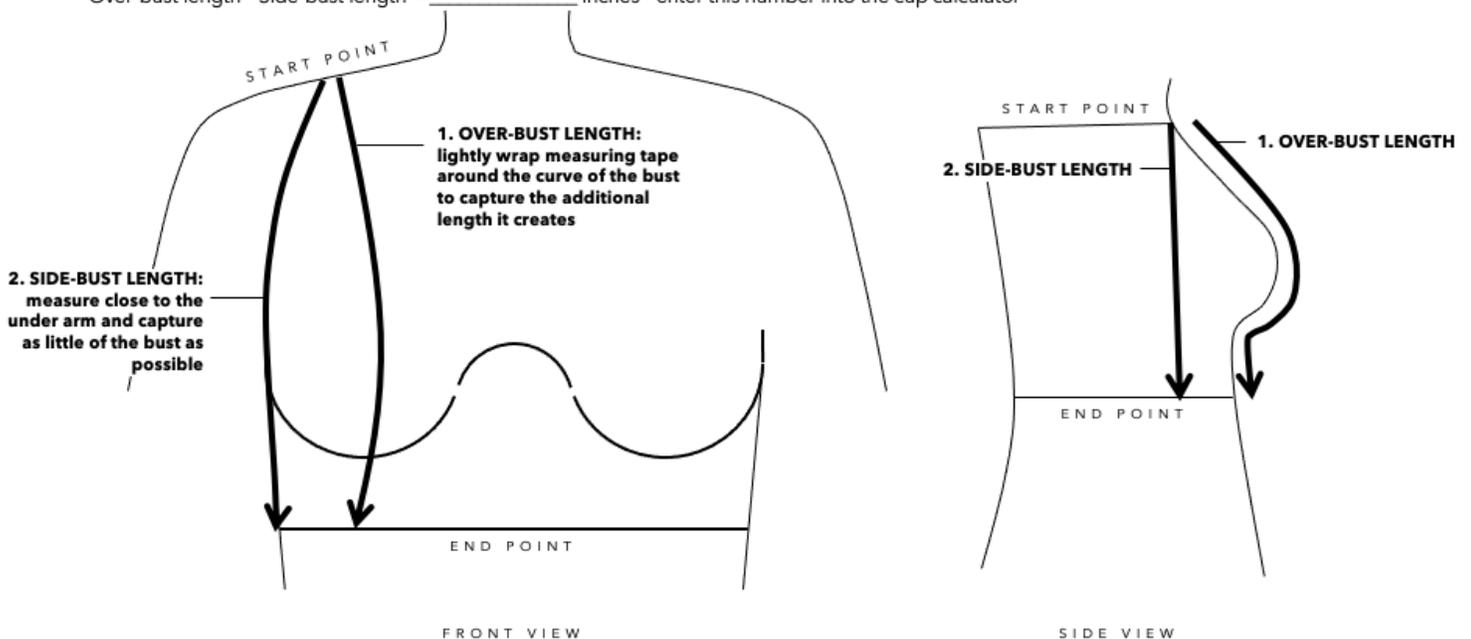
Short rows? Yes No (skip to '**DECREASES**' if No; skip to '**THE BODY**' if no short rows or decreases)

Adjustments: where the short rows are placed will depend on the point of your bust. How high or low our bust sits will vary from person to person. If your bust sits higher/if you are petite, knitting in the round for 1 inch or 2.5 cm should be sufficient. If your bust sits lower, knit 2 inches or 5 cm in the round before beginning the short rows. For a more accurate placement of the bust dart, see the following measurements:

Measure from the tip of your shoulder straight down to the peak/fullest part of your bust. Subtract 10 inches or 25 cm from your measurement. This number (_____) is the additional length after the 1 inch or 2.5 cm that should be knit in the round, before beginning your short rows.

HOW TO FIND YOUR OVER-BUST - UNDERBUST MEASUREMENT

- Measure with a bra if you are planning to wear one with the tank
- Find a start point at your shoulder
- Find an end point slightly above your waist (i.e. where a sports bra or crop top may end)
- Measure your over-bust length and your side-bust length, as per diagrams below
- Over-bust length - Side-bust length = _____ inches - enter this number into the cup calculator



For reference: those with a smaller bust size typically had a difference around 0.7-1" while those with a larger bust had differences around 2-3.5"

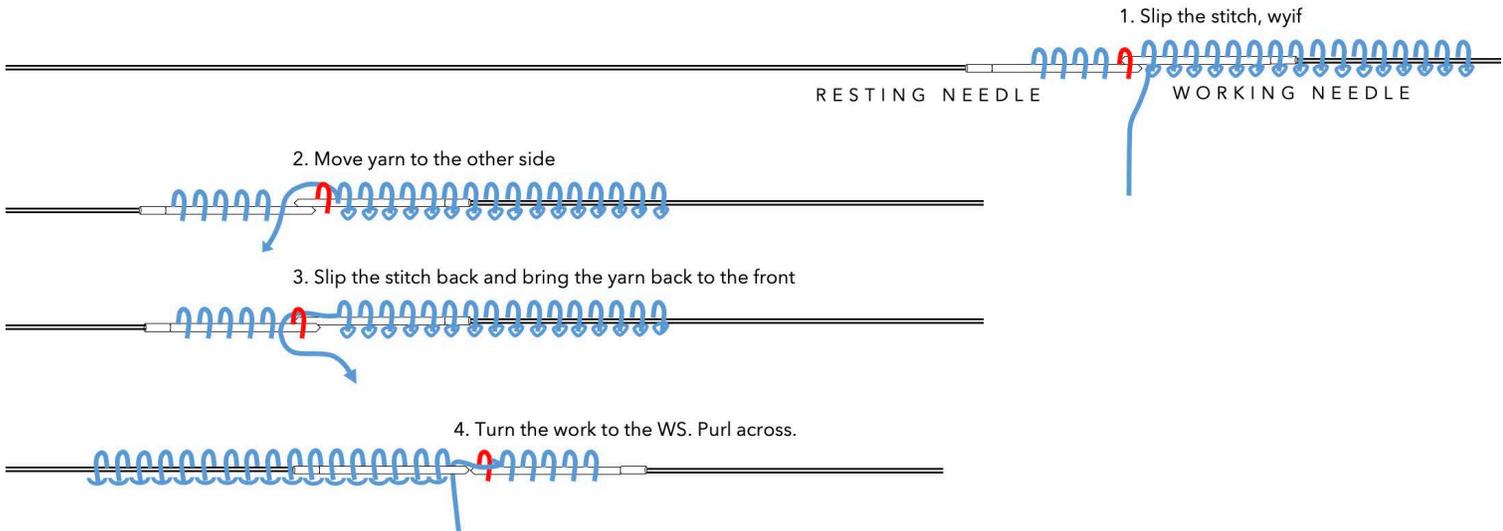
Knit to the start of the round.

RS: Continue to knit until there are (l) _____ sts before the side SM. Knit 2, wrap the next stitch, and turn.
 WS: purl across until there are (l) _____ sts before the other side SM. Purl 2, wrap the next stitch, and turn.

SHORT ROWS Continued

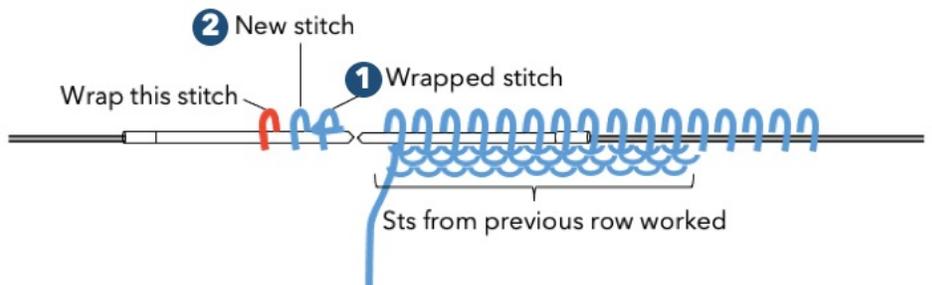
Detailed Instructions on 'Wrap and Turn':

"Wrap and Turn": slip the next stitch k-wise onto your working needle, bring the yarn to the other side, slip the same stitch back on to your resting needle, bring the yarn back, turn the work. When you return to the wrapped stitch on the next row, work both the wrapped part and stitch together.



RS: knit across until the wrapped stitch. Knit this stitch and one more. Wrap the next stitch and turn.

WS: purl across until the wrapped stitch. Purl this stitch and one more. Wrap the next stitch and turn.



Continue until 4 stitches before the side SMs have been worked on both the knit and purl side. The next row is RS row. Knit all sts in the round.

DECREASES (OPTIONAL)

[description]: if desired, decreases are used to create shaping towards the waist. Four stitches will be decreased for each decrease row at an interval defined by your waist measurement.

|| Step 1 ||: Knit until 3 sts before the first side SM, ssk, k1, slip SM, k1, k2tog. Knit until 3 sts before next side SM, ssk, k1, slip SM, k1, k2tog - (# of sts has decreased by 4)

|| Step 2 ||: Knit (J) _____ round(s) without any decreases.

Repeat Steps 1 and 2 (K1)/(K2) _____ sts times or until there are (L) _____ sts left (length should be around the smallest part of waist). Remove the BOR marker after a few repetitions of decreases are made and treat the closest SM as new BOR.

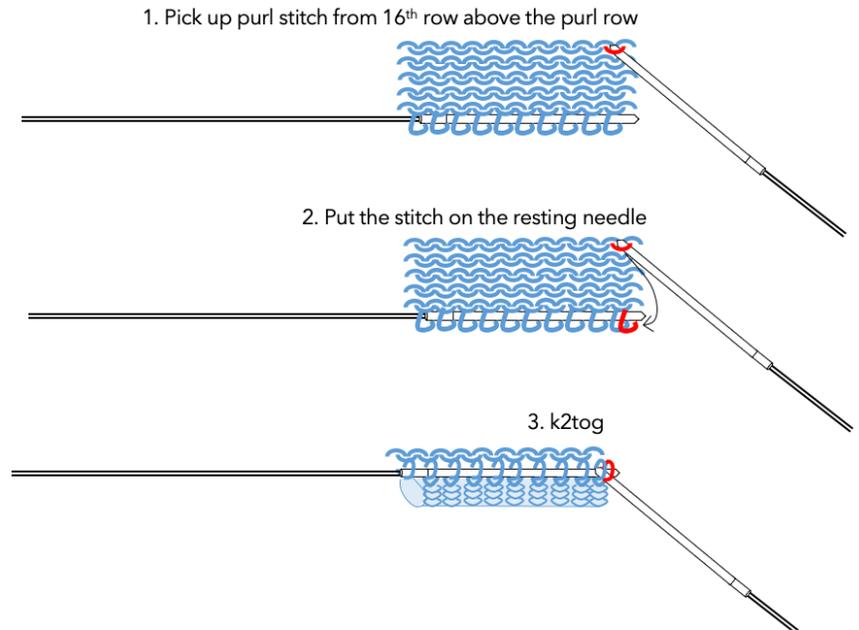
Your choice to use (K1) vs (K2) will correspond with whether you used (G1) or (G2) in the Joining in the Round section (i.e. (G1) → (K1) and (G2) → (K2)).

Continue to work in the round with no decreases until your desired length. You may knit to 7 inches or 18 cm for a cropped length and 10.5 inches or 27 cm for a full length, measured from the join at the underarm to the purl row.

THE BODY

[description]: continue to work in the round until the desired length. A fold-over edge is then worked before binding off. Note: the fold-over edge will not add any additional length but will create a visible 1.5" or 4 cm hem line.

Once desired length has been reached, purl 1 round. Knit 16 rows. Fold the edge towards the WS of the work and knit the next round with the 16th WS round above the purl row and bind off using [stretchy bind off method](#).

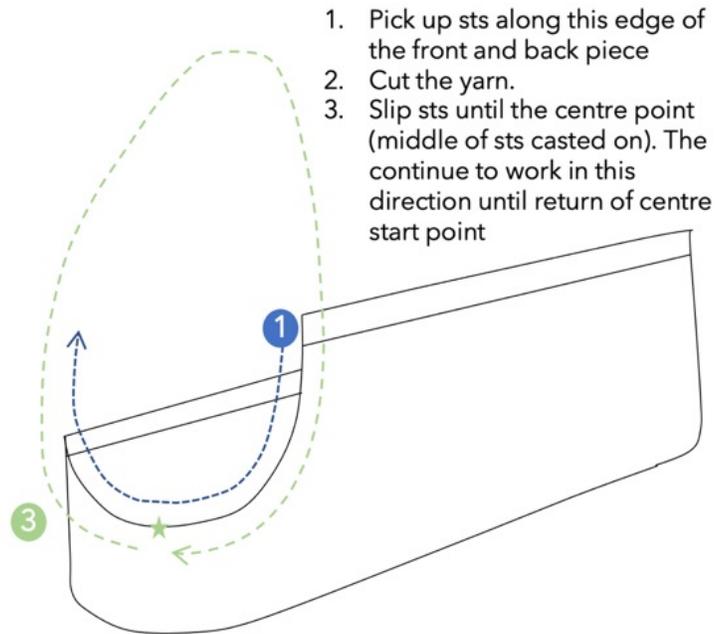


STRAPS

[description]: stitches are picked up along the side of the front piece, the cast on sts under the arm, and along the side of the back piece (for the other strap you pick up will begin with the side of the back piece first), then the yarn is cut. Stitches are slipped on to your working needle until the centre of the underarm is reached.

Using an extra long cord (48") will make things easier here. Pick up every 3 of 4 sts (i.e., pick up 3 and skip the 4th, repeat) from the double-knit edge of back piece to the front piece. Cut the yarn to a length long enough so that it can be woven in later (i.e., at least 3 inches or 7.75 cm).

Slip sts to your working needle until the middle the underarm (the point marked with a star). Pull your working needle out so that these slipped sts rest on the cord. This will give you more flexibility to work the next step.



On your resting needle, cast on 11* sts using a long tail cast on or whichever method is preferred.

*To Customize Strap Thickness: decrease or increase number of sts cast on by intervals of 2 sts to make a thinner or thicker strap. Casting on 11 sts creates a strap that is about 0.75 inches or 2 cm thick.

Now, double knitting begins:

|| Row 1 (RS) ||: k1, sl1wyif, repeat until 2* sts remain, kt2og tbl. Turn the work.

|| Row 2 (WS) ||: sl1wyif, k1 until there is 1 stitch left, sl1wyif. Turn the work.

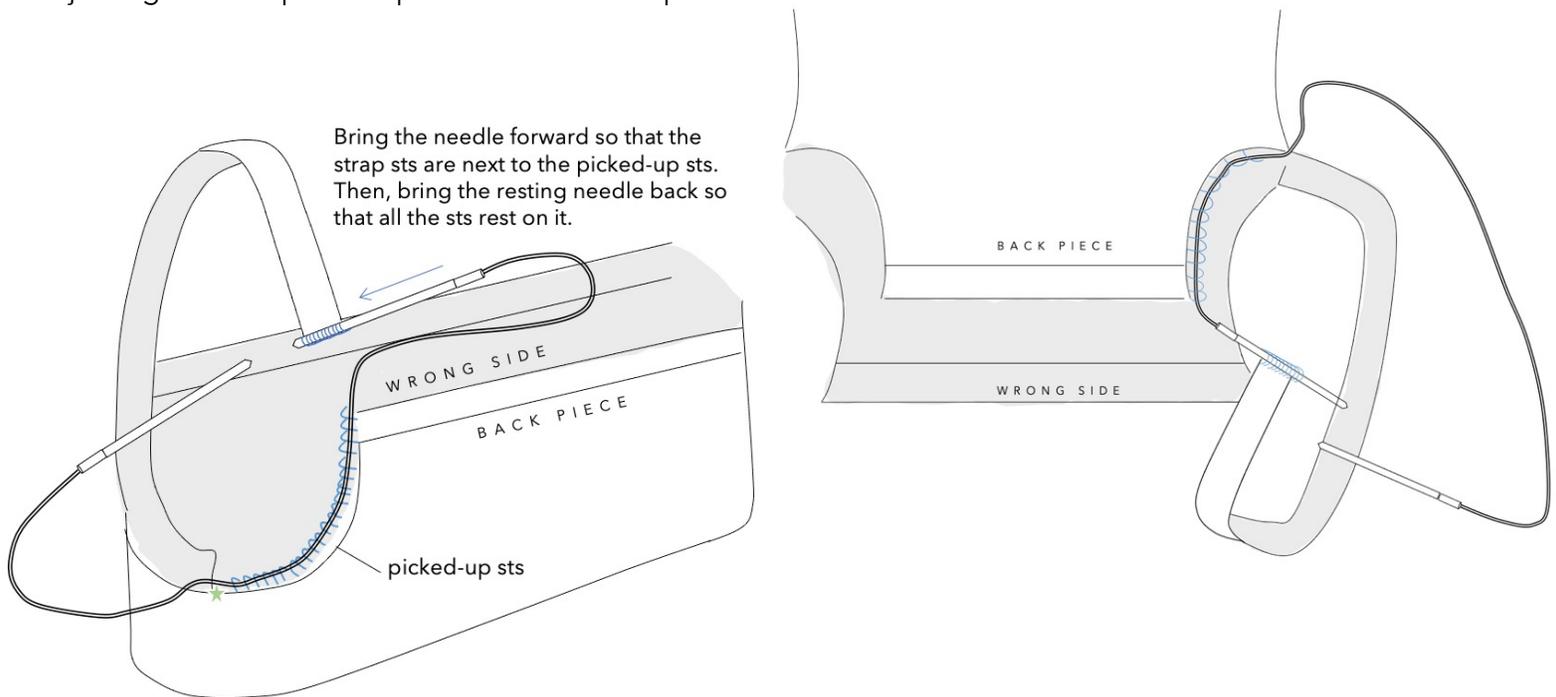
*The 2 sts that remain = 1 that was cast on and 1 that was picked up.

STRAPS Continued

Repeat rows 1-2. Work across all picked up sts then, continue to work unattached for about 12 inches or 30.5 cm. One way to guide your measurement is to measure the strap length of a bra or tank and subtract 2 inches or 5 cm to account for the stretch.

Slide the resting needle forward so that the strap sts are on the cord; slide them next to the picked up sts. Pull the *working* needle forwards so that the live sts are now on the resting needle. Continue to work the double-knit strap while attached (i.e., Row 1 and 2 above). Repeat until all picked up stitches are worked.

Note: at this point, double check to ensure the strap is in the right orientation and not twisted before joining with the picked up sts from the other piece.



Bind off all k sts in k and all p sts in p. Seam with beginning.

Block the garment and seam in the ends.

Note: pull the ends that connect the straps to the body of the piece tightly so that there is no gap between these pieces.

The end.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail me at kntt.tiffknit@gmail.com

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TESTER MEASUREMENTS & YARN AMOUNTS

@sanjanas.style



Sanjana

UB: 33"; FB: 35"
OB-SB: 3"; W: 26"
L: 10"
400 m/437 yd of yarn

@craftedforicarus



Jasmine

UB: 35"; FB: 36"
OB-SB: none; W: 30"
L: 8"
339 m/370 yd of yarn

@feliciastickar



Felicia

UB: 43"; FB: 45"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 42"
L: 8.5"
680 m/744 yd of yarn

@15dozentimes



Heidi

UB: 50"; FB: 54"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 50"
L: 8"
666 m/728 yd of yarn

@jasmynecp



Jasmyne

UB: 39"; FB: 42"
OB-SB: none; W: 37"
L: 9"
672 m/735 yd of yarn

@knitbyaurora



Aurora

UB: 35"; FB: 35"
OB-SB: none; W: 27"
L: 10"
460 m/503 yd of yarn

LEGEND

UB = upper bust
FB = full bust
W = waist
OB-SB = over-bust - side-bust
L = length (underarm to end)

TESTER MEASUREMENTS & YARN AMOUNTS

@kbknits.co



Katrice

UB: 37"; FB: 38"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 31"
L: 10.5"
655 m/716 yd of yarn

@madebyyen



Yen

UB: 32"; FB: 34"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 27"
L: 9.75"
425 m/465 yd of yarn

@palomaknits_



Paloma

UB: 41"; FB: 47"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 39"
L: 8.5"
578 m/632 yd of yarn

@prairieflowerknits



Jessica

UB: 32"; FB: 32"
OB-SB: none; W: 26"
L: 6.25"
332 m/363 yd of yarn

@sarah_gets_dressed



Sarah

UB: 38"; FB: 43"
OB-SB: 3"; W: 38"
L: 8"
510 m/558 yd of yarn

@strikinga



Inga

UB: 36"; FB: 39"
OB-SB: none; W: 31"
L: 9.75"
441 m/482 yd of yarn

LEGEND

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L = length (underarm to end)

TESTER MEASUREMENTS & YARN AMOUNTS

@syfie_garnmo



Sofie

UB: 36"; FB: 40"
OB-SB: 2"; W: 30"
L: 8"
400 m/437 yd of yarn

@yarn.penguin



Rachel

UB: 28"; FB: 29"
OB-SB: none; W: 24"
L: 7.25"
325 m/355 yd of yarn

@quasigerade



Bella

UB: 36"; FB: 38"
OB-SB: none; W: 32"
L: 11"
427 m/467 yd of yarn

@tidal.and.curent



Aslyn

UB: 37"; FB: 39"
OB-SB: none; W: 31"
L: 12"
494 m/540 yd of yarn

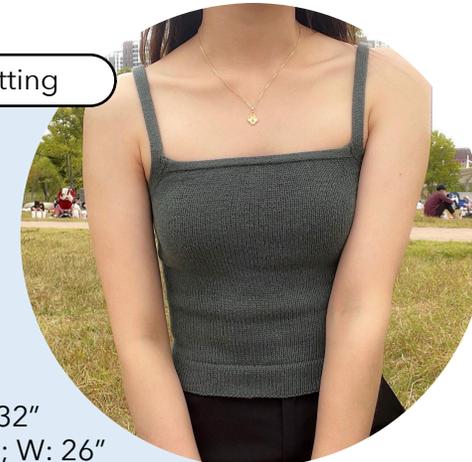
@andrea.plants



Andrea

UB: 31"; FB: 35"
OB-SB: none; W: 30"
L: 9"
750 m/820 yd of yarn

@suub_knitting



Subin

UB: 31"; FB: 32"
OB-SB: none; W: 26"
L: 9"
355 m/388 yd of yarn

LEGEND

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TESTER MEASUREMENTS & YARN AMOUNTS

@caitlinsiem



Caitlin

UB: 48"; FB: 50"
OB-SB: 3"; W: 45"
L: 9.5"
744 m/814 yd of yarn

@theknittingbooth



Lara

UB: 35"; FB: 39"
OB-SB: 1.5"; W: 29"
L: 12"
481 m/526 yd of yarn

LEGEND

UB = upper bust

FB = full bust

W = waist

OB-SB = over-bust - side-bust

L = length (underarm to end)