

A *eweknit* PATTERN

ACORN SWEATER

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DESCRIPTION

Featuring adorable little acorns in a circular colourwork yoke this will be the perfect sweater for your little one for autumn.

EXPERIENCE LEVEL

Intermediate

TECHNIQUES USED

Long-tail cast on
Knitting and purling in the round
Increasing and decreasing
Reading a chart
Working stranded colour work
Working with DPNs (optional)
German Short-rows
Binding off
Kitchener Stitch or 3 needle bind off

GAUGE

22 sts & 30 rows = 4" / 10 cm in Stockinette / Stocking stitch on 4.00 mm (US 6) needles, after blocking.

MATERIALS

Yarn

Lamana COMO (DK Weight: 100% merino wool; 131 yards / 120 meters per 25g)

A - 2, (2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4) skeins in colour 51
B - 1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) skeins in colour 37
C - 1 (1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3) skeins in colour 00
D - 1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) skeins in colour 8
E - 1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) skeins in colour 48

Needles

4.00 mm (US 6) circular needle, 24" / 60 cm and 32" / 80 cm long (or longer for larger sizes), and a set of Double Pointed Needles

3.75 mm (US 5) circular needle, 16" / 40 cm 60 cm, and a set of Double Pointed Needles (DPNs)

or needles required to obtain correct gauge

Notions

1 stitch marker, waste yarn or stitch holders, tapestry needle, 1 small button for (Sizes 0-3 mos, 3-6 mos, 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos & 2 only)

SIZES

0-3 mos (3-6 mos, 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos, 2, 4, 6) To be worn with approx 2" / 5 cm positive ease.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest Circumference: 16 (18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28)" / 40.5 (45.5, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71) cm

Body Length to Underarm (at front) Short Version : 3 (3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2)" / 7.5 (9, 10, 11.5, 14, 15, 16.5) cm

Body Length to Underarm (at front) Long Version: 5 1/2 (6, 6 1/2, 7, 8, 9, 10)" / 14 (15, 16.5, 18, 20.5, 23, 25.5) cm

Sleeve length to Underarm: 5 3/4 (6, 7, 8, 8 1/2, 10, 11 1/2)" / 14.5 (15, 18, 20.5, 21.5, 25.5, 29) cm

Upper Arm: 6 1/2 (6 3/4, 8, 8 1/4, 9, 10, 10 1/2)" / 16.5 (17, 20.5, 21, 23, 25.5, 26.5) cm

Yoke Depth: 3 1/2 (4, 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2, 6)" / 9 (10, 11.5, 12.5, 12.5, 14, 15) cm

NOTES

This is a circular yoke pullover worked from the bottom up. The body and sleeves are worked separately in the round to the base of the yoke, then joined to work the yoke. The baby sizes have an opening with a tab closure at the back neck by working back and forth in rows. Short-rows are worked at the bottom of the yoke for a more comfortable fit. Sleeve instructions are written to use DPNs, however an alternate method of working small circumferences can be used, such as Magic-Loop. As the yoke decreases, change to a shorter circular needle or DPNs when necessary. When working stranded colour work, keep floats in the back loose to maintain stretch. For floats longer than 5 sts, twist yarns together in the back.

STITCH GUIDE

M1L (make 1 stitch left leaning)

Insert left needle, from front to back, under strand of yarn which runs between next st on left needle and last st on right needle; knit this st through back loop (1 stitch increased)

M1R (make 1 stitch right leaning)

Insert left needle, from back to front, under strand of yarn which runs between next st on left needle and last st on right needle: knit this st through front loop (1 stitch increased)

Make double stitch (German Short-rows)

Slip the first stitch on the left needle purlwise and pull the working yarn over top of the right needle tightly to create a double stitch. This is really the two legs of the stitch in the row below. Reposition the yarn as needed for the next stitch: to the front for a purl stitch, to the back for a knit stitch. Work the next few sts tighter than usual. Later, when working the double stitch, work it as a single stitch (like a k2tog). This is the key feature of the German Short Row.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx. Approximately

BOR beginning of round

Dec(d) decrease(d)

DPNs double pointed needles

Inc(d) increase(d)

k(K) knit

k2tog knit 2 stitches together (decrease)

M1L (see Stitch Guide)

M1R (see Stitch Guide)

p(P) purl

PM Place marker

rem remaining

rep Repeat

rnd(s) Round(s)

RS Right side of fabric

SM slip marker

st(s) Stitch(es)

St st Stockinette/ stocking stitch

tog together

WS Wrong side of fabric

yo yarn over (increase)

* Repeat instructions from asterisk as directed

[] Repeat instructions inside brackets as directed

PATTERN BEGINS

Sleeves (make 2)

With 3.75 mm (US 5) DPNs, and A, cast on 30 (30, 34, 34, 36, 38, 38) sts using the long-tail cast on method, or your preferred method of knitting small circumferences (DPNs, short circular needles, or Magic-Loop). Join in round making sure that sts are not twisted around needle. PM for BOR.

Rnd 1 (RS): [K1, p1] to end.

Rep rnd 1, twice more.

Next Rnd: [With A, k1, with B, p1] to end.

Rep last rnd twice more. Break Yarn B.

Change to 4.00 mm (US 6) DPNs.

Next Rnd (Inc Rnd): With A, K1, M1L, k to last st, M1R, k1. — 2 sts inc'd

Rep inc rnd every 10th (8th, 8th, 6th, 6th, 6th, 6th) rnd 2 (3, 4, 2, 4, 3, 6) more times, then every 0 (0, 0, 8th, 8th, 8th, 8th) rnd 0 (0, 0, 3, 2, 4, 3) more times. — 36 (38, 44, 46, 50, 54, 58) sts

Work even in St st in the rnd until sleeve measures 5 3/4 (6, 7, 8, 8 1/2, 10, 11 1/2)" / 14.5 (15, 18, 20.5, 21.5, 25.5, 29) cm from cast on edge, or desired length to underarm.

Next Rnd: Knit, ending 1 (1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3) sts before BOR marker.

Place next 3 (3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6) sts on waste yarn or st holder for underarm, removing marker.

Break yarn. — 33 (35, 40, 42, 45, 49, 52) sts

Set aside first sleeve, placing remaining 33 (35, 40, 42, 45, 49, 52) sts on waste yarn or spare needle.

Work second sleeve as first.

Body

With 3.75 mm (US 5) shorter circular needle, (or longer for child sizes), and A, cast on 88 (98, 110, 120, 132, 142, 154) sts using the long-tail cast on method, or your preferred method of cast on. PM for BOR and join in the rnd, making sure that sts are not twisted around needle.

Rnd 1 (RS): [K1, p1] to end.

Rep Rnd 1, twice more.

Next Rnd: [With A, k1, with B, p1] to end.

Rep last rnd twice more. Break Yarn B.

Change to 4.00 mm (US 6) shorter circular needle, (or longer for child sizes).

Short Version

With A, work even in St st in the rnd (knit every rnd) until work measures 3 (3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2)" / 7.5 (9, 10, 11.5, 14, 15, 16.5) cm from cast on edge, ending 1 (1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3) sts before BOR marker on last rnd.

Long Version

With A, work even in St st in the rnd (knit every rnd) until work measures 5 1/2 (6, 6 1/2, 7, 8, 9, 10)" / 14 (15, 16.5, 18, 20.5, 23, 25.5) cm from cast on edge, ending 1 (1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3) sts before BOR marker on last rnd.

Both Versions

Join for Yoke

Next Rnd: Place body sts on to 32" / 80 cm circular needle. Slip next 3 (3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6) sts onto a short piece of waste yarn for underarm, removing BOR marker. With A, knit across 41 (46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71) sts for back. Place next 3

(3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6) sts onto a second short piece of waste yarn for first underarm. Transfer sleeve stitches on to left needle of body. Knit 33 (35, 40, 42, 45, 49, 52) sts from first sleeve then knit across 41 (46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71) sts from body for front. Transfer sleeve stitches on to left needle of body. Knit 33 (35, 40, 42, 45, 49, 52) sts from second sleeve. Find centre back and knit to centre back. PM for BOR. – 148 (162, 182, 196, 212, 230, 246) sts with BOR marker placed at centre back.

Work Back Yoke Short-Rows

Short-Row 1 (RS): K37 (40, 46, 49, 53, 57, 62), turn.

Short-Row 2 (WS): Make double st, bring yarn to front, purl to BOR marker, SM, p37 (40, 46, 49, 53, 57, 62), turn.

Short-Row 3 (RS): Make double st, bring yarn to back, slipping BOR marker, knit to 2 (2, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5) sts before the double st, turn.

Short-Row 4 (WS): Make double st, bring yarn to front, slipping BOR marker, purl to 2 (2, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5) sts before the double st, turn.

Rep Short-Rows 3 and 4, 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) more times.

Next Short-Row (RS): Make double st, bring yarn to back, knit to 3 (3, 5, 5, 5, 7, 7) sts before the double st, turn.

Next Short-Row (WS): Make double st, bring yarn to front, purl to 3 (3, 5, 5, 5, 7, 7) sts before the double st, turn.

Next Row (RS): Make double st, bring yarn to back, knit to BOR marker.

Next Rnd: Knit to end, working the double sts

as one (like a k2tog). – 148 (162, 182, 196, 212, 230, 246) sts

Work 0 (0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 3) rnds even.

Adjustment Rnd: Knit, dec 0 (0, 12, 16, 22, 8, 18) sts evenly spaced around. – 148 (162, 170, 180, 190, 222, 228) sts

Sizes 0-3 mos & 3-6 mos Only

Next Rnd: Break A. [With B, k1, with C, k1] to end. Break B.

Sizes 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos, 2, 4 & 6 Only

Next Rnd: [With A, k1, with B, k1] to end. Break A.

Next Rnd: With B, knit.

Next Rnd: [With C, k1, with B, k1] to end. Break B.

All Sizes Resume

Next Rnd: With C, knit.

Adjustment Rnd: With C, k7 (3, 4, 4, 4, 6, 3), [k2tog, k9 (7, 8, 8, 8, 4, 5), k2tog, k9 (7, 8, 8, 8, 5, 6)] to last 9 (6, 6, 6, 6, 8, 0) sts, k2tog 1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0) time, k7 (4, 4, 4, 4, 6, 0). – 135 (144, 153, 162, 171, 189, 198) sts.

With C, knit 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) rnds.

Begin Yoke Pattern

Change to shorter circular needle or DPNs when necessary

Begin working yoke pattern from Chart A, rep'ing the 9 st rep 15 (16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22) times

around, and working the decrease where indicated until all rnds of chart are complete. — 120 (128, 136, 144, 152, 168, 176) sts

With C, knit 1 (1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3) rnds.

Adjustment Rnd: With C, k1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 6, 2), [k2tog, k2 (2, 2, 2, 2, 7, 7)] to last 3 (3, 3, 3, 3, 9, 3) sts, k2tog, k1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 7, 1). — 90 (96, 102, 108, 114, 150, 156) sts

Work from Chart B, rep'ing the 6 st rep 15 (16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26) times around, until all rnds of chart are complete. Break D.

With C, knit 1 rnd.

Sizes 0-3 mos, 3-6 mos, 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos & 2 Only

Adjustment Rnd: With C, knit, dec 2 (0, 2, 4, 6, -, -) sts evenly spaced around. — 88 (96, 100, 104, 108, -, -) sts

Sizes 4 & 6 Only

Adjustment Rnd: With C, k2tog - (-, -, -, -, 0, 1) time, [k2tog, k2] to last - (-, -, -, -, 2, 2) sts, k2tog - (-, -, -, -, 1, 1) time. — (-, -, -, -, 112, 116) sts

All Sizes Resume

With C, knit 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) rnds.

Work from Chart C, rep'ing the 4 st rep 22 (24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29) times around, until all rnds of chart are complete. Break A.

With C, knit 1 rnd.

Adjustment Rnd: With C, k2 (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), k2tog 0 (0, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2) times, [k2tog, k1] to last 2 (0, 2, 4, 6, 2, 4) sts, k2 (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), k2tog 0 (0,

1, 2, 3, 1, 2) times.— 60 (64, 66, 68, 70, 74, 76) sts.

With C, knit 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) rnds.

Next Rnd: [With B, k1, with C, k1] to end.

With B, knit 1 (1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2) rnds. Break B.

Sizes 0-3 mos, 3-6 mos, 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos & 2 Only

With 3.75 mm (US 5) shorter circular needle and C, begin working back and forth as follows:

Row 1 (WS): Turn work so that wrong side is facing, [k1, p1] to end, using backward loop method, cast on 3 sts. — 63 (67, 69, 73, 77, -, -) sts.

Row 2 (RS): K2, [p1, k1] to last 3 sts p1, k2.

Row 3 (WS): P2, [k1, p1] to last 3 sts, k1, p2.

Row 4 (Buttonhole Row): K2, yo, k2tog, [p1, k1] to last 3 sts, p1, k2.

Row 5: As Row 3.

Row 6: As Row 2.

Bind off loosely in rib pattern.

Sizes 4 & 6 Only

With 3.75 mm (US 5) DPNs (or needle in preferred style for working small circumferences) and C, work as follows:

Rnd 1: [K1, p1] to end.

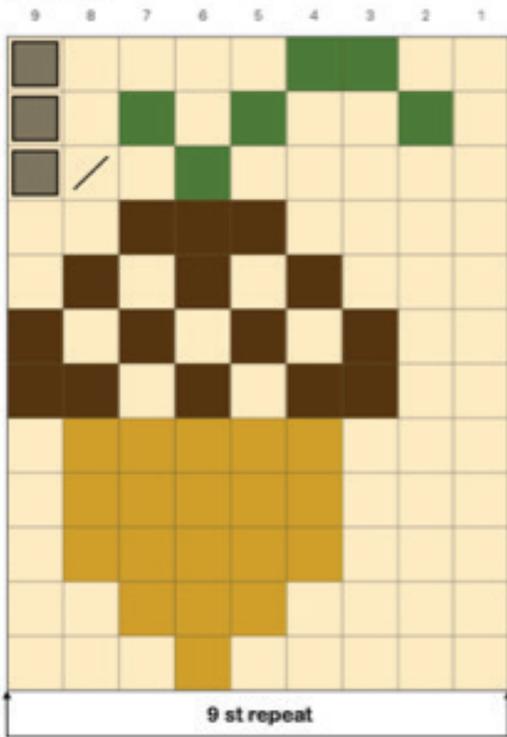
Rep rnd 1, 5 more times.

Bind off loosely in rib pattern.

All Sizes Resume

Use 3 needle bind off or Kitchener st to join underarm sts. Weave in ends, closing any gaps that remain at the underarms. Smaller sizes sew button to correspond to buttonhole on neckband. Block to measurements.

CHART A



- A
- C
- D
- E
- no stitch
- k2tog

CHART B

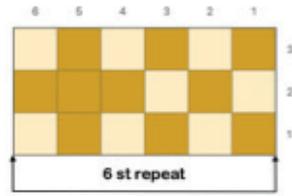
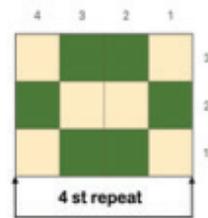


CHART C



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