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ANKER'S SWEATER – MY BOYFRIEND'S SIZE



Sizes:	XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL)
Bust circumference:	98 (104) 108 (114) 122 (128) 132 (140) cm [38½ (41) 42½ (45) 48 (50½) 52 (55) inches]
Lengths:	Total length: 69 (70) 72 (75) 76 (77) 78 (78) cm [27¼ (27½) 28¼ (29½) 30 (30¼) 30¾ (30¾) inches]
Gauge:	20 sts x 28 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] in stockinette stitch on 4 mm [US6] needles
Suggested needles:	Circular needles: 4 mm [US6] / 40 and 60 and 80 or 100 cm [16 and 24 and 32 or 40 inches], circular needles 3.5 mm [US4] / 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 inches] Double-pointed needles: 4 mm [US6] and 3.5 mm [US4] (if the Magic Loop technique is not used)
Materials:	650 (650) 700 (750) 800 (800) 850 (900) g Peer Gynt from Sandnes Garn (50 g = 91 m)

PATTERN

Anker's Sweater – My Boyfriend's Size is worked from the top down. The yoke is worked in sections of rib with increases in the round, followed by classic raglan increases when the stockinette stitch section begins. The sleeves are worked at the end, either on double-pointed needles or on circular needles using the Magic Loop technique. Anker's Sweater – My Boyfriend's Size has no finishing other than weaving in ends.

Size guide

The Anker's Sweater – My Boyfriend's Size is designed to have approx. 6-13 cm [2¼-5¼ inches] of positive ease, meaning it is designed to be 6-13 cm [2¼-5¼ inches] larger in circumference than your bust measurement. The sizes XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL) are designed to fit a bust circumference of 86-91 (91-96) 96-101 (101-107) 107-113 (113-119) 119-124 (124-132) cm [33¾-35¾ (35¾-37¾) 37¾-39¾ (39¾-42¼) 42¼-44½ (44½-46¾) 46¾-48¾ (48¾-52) inches].

The measurements for the finished garment are on the front page of the pattern. Before beginning your project, measure the recipient of the sweater to determine which size to knit. For example, if the recipient measures 103 cm [40½ inches] around his chest (or around the widest part of his upper body) you should knit a size L. A size L sweater has a bust circumference of 114 cm [45 inches] which in the given example would give you 11 cm [4¼ inches] of positive ease.

About raglan increases

The raglan increases are worked from the RS on either side of a central raglan stitch (which is worked like a normal stockinette stitch that is knitted on the RS and purled on the WS). The raglan increases to the right of the raglan stitch slant right (M1R), while the raglan increases to the left of the raglan stitch slant left (M1L).

These increases are worked as follows:

- M1R:** Insert left needle under the strand between the stitch that was just knit and the raglan stitch from back to front, then knit this strand as you would normally.
- M1L:** Insert left needle under the strand between the raglan stitch that was just knit and the next stitch from front to back, then knit this strand through the back loop (twisted).

Yoke

The yoke is worked in the round on circular needles.

Cast on 92 (92) 96 (96) 100 (104) 104 (104) sts on 4 mm [US6] / 40 cm [16 inches] circular needles with your preferred method. Join in the round, making sure that the cast-on edge is not twisted and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Change to a longer circular needle with a cable of 60 and 80 or 100 cm [24 or 32 or 40 inches] when required to accommodate the increasing number of sts.

Work 12 rounds of (k1, p1) rib.

Work 2 rounds of stockinette stitch with increases, as follows:

Round 1: *K2, yarn over*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 138 (138) 144 (144) 150 (156) 156 (156) sts on the needles.

Round 2: Knit across 1 round, knitting the yarn overs through the back loop to avoid holes.

You have now worked 1 rib segment.

Work 12 rounds of (k1, p1) rib.

Work 2 rounds of stockinette stitch with increases, as follows:

Round 1: *K3, yarn over*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 184 (184) 192 (192) 200 (208) 208 (208) sts on the needles.

Round 2: Knit across 1 round, knitting the yarn overs through the back loop.

You have now worked 2 rib segments.

Work 12 rounds of (k1, p1) rib.

Work 2 rounds of stockinette stitch with increases, as follows:

Round 1: *K4, yarn over*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 230 (230) 240 (240) 250 (260) 260 (260) sts on the needles.

Round 2: Knit across 1 round, knitting the yarn overs through the back loop.

You have now worked 3 rib segments.

Work 12 rounds of (k1, p1) rib.

Work 2 rounds of stockinette stitch with increases, as follows:

Round 1: *K5, yarn over*, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now 276 (276) 288 (288) 300 (312) 312 (312) sts on the needles.

Round 2: Knit across 1 round, knitting the yarn overs through the back loop.

You have now worked 4 rib segments.

Work 12 rounds of (k1, p1) rib. Knit across 1 round.

A total of 5 rib segments have been worked and there are 276 (276) 288 (288) 300 (312) 312 (312) sts on the needles.

Raglan increases

The rest of the yoke is worked in stockinette stitch and shaped with raglan increases.

Divide the work into sleeves, front and back by placing the following markers on either side of each of the 4 raglan sts (optionally use markers of a different color than the beginning of round marker), as follows:

41 (41) 42 (42) 44 (46) 46 (47) sts (right back), place marker, raglan st, place marker, 54 (53) 57 (57) 59 (62) 61 (60) sts (right sleeve), place marker, raglan st, place marker, 82 (83) 85 (85) 89 (92) 93 (94) sts (front), place marker, raglan st, place marker, 54 (53) 57 (57) 59 (62) 61 (60) sts (left sleeve), place marker, raglan st, place marker, 41 (42) 43 (43) 45 (46) 47 (47) sts (left back). The beginning of round marker is at the middle of the back.

Work raglan increases **every other round**, as follows (see video at www.petiteknit.com):

*Knit across right back, M1R, knit raglan stitch, M1L, knit across right sleeve, M1R, knit raglan stitch, M1L, knit across front, M1R, knit raglan stitch, M1L, knit across left sleeve, M1R, knit raglan stitch, M1L, knit across left back. (8 sts have been increased). Knit across 1 round. *

Work from * to * until a total of 4 (6) 7 (9) 11 (11) 11 (14) raglan increase rounds have been worked. There are now 308 (324) 344 (360) 388 (400) 400 (424) sts on the needles.

Body

Now you will separate the sts for the sleeves and leave them on hold while knitting the body, while at the same time casting on new sts at each underarm, as follows (see video at www.petiteknit.com:

Knit 45 (47) 49 (51) 55 (57) 57 (61) sts (right back), knit raglan stitch, place the next 62 (65) 71 (75) 81 (84) 83 (88) sts on a stitch holder, spare cable or length of leftover yarn (right sleeve), cast on 6 (7) 7 (9) 9 (12) 15 (16) new sts at the underarm using the backward loop method, knit raglan stitch, knit 90 (95) 99 (103) 111 (114) 115 (122) sts (front), knit raglan stitch, place the next 62 (65) 71 (75) 81 (84) 83 (88) sts on a stitch holder, spare cable or length of leftover yarn (left sleeve), cast on 6 (7) 7 (9) 9 (12) 15 (16) new sts at the underarm using the backward loop method, knit raglan stitch, knit 45 (48) 50 (52) 56 (57) 58 (61) sts (left back).

There are now 196 (208) 216 (228) 244 (256) 264 (280) sts on the needles for the body.

The beginning of the round is now in the middle of the new sts cast on at the right underarm.

Work in the round in stockinette stitch until the sweater measures 64 (65) 67 (70) 71 (72) 73 (73) cm [25¼ (25½) 26½ (27½) 28 (28¼) 28¾ (28¾) inches] mid front, from the cast on edge at the neck.

Change to needle size 3.5 mm [US4] / 80 or 100 cm [32 or 100 inches]. Work 14 rounds of (k1, p1) rib. Bind off in rib.

Sleeves

The sleeves are worked in the round on 4 mm [US6] double-pointed needles or on circular needles using the Magic Loop technique.

Place the sts for one sleeve back on the needles. Pick up and knit 6 (7) 7 (9) 9 (12) 15 (16) sts in the 6 (7) 7 (9) 9 (12) 15 (16) sts that were cast on at the underarm on the body. There are a total of 68 (72) 78 (84) 90 (96) 98 (104) sts on the needles. Place a marker for the beginning of the round in the middle of the sts that were picked up at the underarm (see video at www.petitekmit.com).

Work in the round in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 49 cm [19¼ inches] from the underarm, while **at the same time** decreasing 2 sts every 13th (12th) 10th (9th) 8th (7th) 7th (6th) round a total of 10 (11) 13 (14) 16 (18) 18 (20) times, as follows: K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts, k2tog tbl, k1.

There are now 48 (50) 52 (56) 58 (60) 62 (64) sts on the needles.

Change to double-pointed needles size 3.5 mm [US4]. Work 10 rounds of (k1, p1) rib.

Bind off in established rib pattern.

Finishing

Weave in all ends.

The neck edge can benefit from a thin elastic thread being sewn along the top of the rib edge to help it maintain the same size and shape with wear (see video of the technique on www.petitekmit.com).

Abbreviations

k	knit
k2tog	knit two stitches together
M1L	make one left, left leaning increase, see “about raglan increases”
M1R	make one right, right leaning increase, see “about raglan increases”
p	purl
RS	right side of your work
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through the back loop
WS	wrong side of your work



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