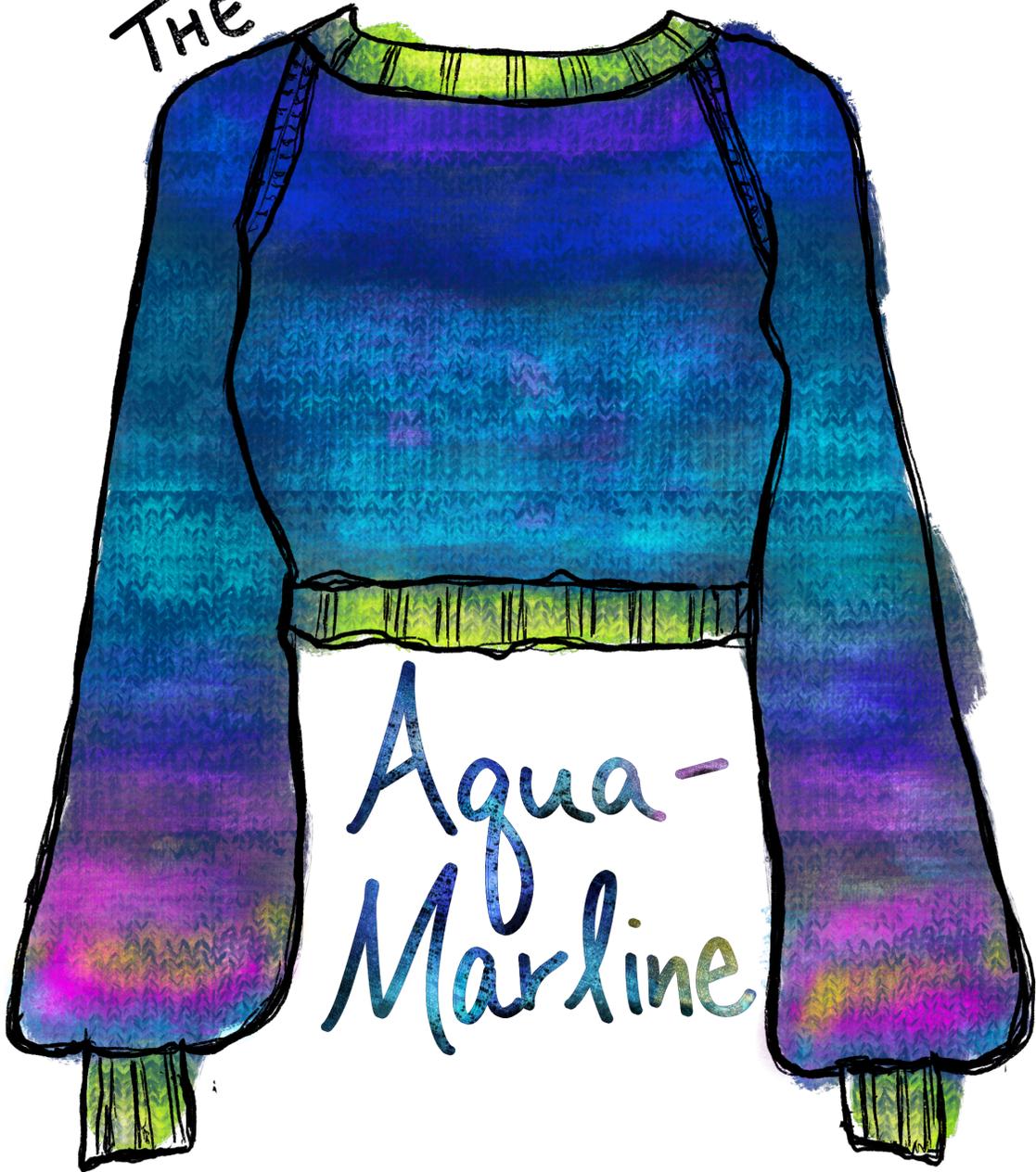


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The AquaMarline was made to give you permission to play! Play with color, play with fiber, play with different yarn weights, play with your stash & scraps! This cropped sweater with bubble sleeves is worked from the bottom-up with no seaming. The marled, rainbow fabric is created by holding different yarns together and switching/swapping as you go. #aquamarline

Needles & Notions:

Size US 10.5 / 6.5mm in 16" & 32" circular needles (cable length will vary depending on size of garment you are knitting)

Size US 4 / 3.5mm DPNs or circular needle if you prefer the Magic Loop method

Size US 8 / 5mm in 16" & 32" circular needle

Stitch markers, tapestry needle, stitch holder/scrap yarn

Sizing:

XS(S, M, L, XL) (XXL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL)

Bust: 30(34, 38, 40, 44) (48, 52, 56, 60) inches;

76.25[86.25, 96.5, 101.5, 111.75] [122, 132, 142.25, 152.5] cm

This garment is meant to be worn with 0-2" negative ease. Choose a size that is closest to or 2" less than your actual bust measurement. I have a 36" bust and am wearing a size Small.

Gauge: 14 stitches and 18 rows/4" on a US 10.5, stockinette in the round, lightly steam blocked.

Note on gauge: There are parts of my sweater that are also 15 stitches/4" and parts that are 13 stitches/4". Because we are playing with yarns of different weights and holding them double, triple, quadruple, there will be some inconsistencies in gauge. Try your best to keep it in the 14 stitch range, but don't fret too much!

Yarn:

The AquaMarline uses scraps and stash yarn of all weights and fiber contents by holding them together to create a homogeneous fabric. The sweater is knit in "Bulky" yarn, but rather than knitting the sweater out of one strand of bulky yarn, we create this weight of fiber by holding thinner weights together.

Possible Combinations:

- 1 strand of worsted weight with 2 strands of fingering/sock or lace weight
- 1 strand of aran or heavy-worsted weight with 1 strand of fingering/sock or lace weight.
- 4 strands of fingering/sock weight
- 1 strand of DK weight with 2-3 strands of fingering/sock or lace weight
- 1 strand of Bulky weight

As you can see, it is really about playing. There is no perfect recipe. As you go you will start to get a sense as to what combinations work best for you and your tension. There is enough flexibility in the design to account for sections where your fabric may be a little thinner/thicker.

Yardage:

Around 1,000 -3,000 yards.

Because this is a stash buster and is made using scraps throughout, I don't have a definite number for yardage. However, the pattern is created from scraps, stash and random yarns, so you don't have to worry



about dye-lots or buying enough yarn at the yarn shop. You can add random new skeins at any point in the process!

Notes on Color/Construction:

- The pattern will not tell you when to change colors, but do so as much or as little as you like! On the original AquaMarline, I made the cuffs and collar my “pop” color (bright green) and then the rest of the sweater various shades of blue/turquoise.
- You do not have to start a new color or yarn at the beginning of the round or at a stitch marker. Please start new yarns whenever you run out of a scrap or whenever you feel like it—even if it is in the middle of a row. This will help create a marled fabric as opposed to stripes. Or start at the BOR if you want stripes!
- When changing color, I leave ends that I then will weave in when the sweater is finished, but if you are a fan of Magic Knot, by all means!
- In true Elizabeth Zimmerman fashion, it is really fun to have a sleeve going (both sleeves, even!) at the same time as your body. This allows you to keep the sleeve coloring similar to the body (if that’s what you prefer) and also helps you avoid getting stranded on Sleeve Island...



Abbreviations:

CO: cast on (in your preferred method)
BOR: beginning of round
RS: right side of work
WS: wrong side of work
k: knit
p: purl
pm: place marker
rm: remove marker
slm: slip marker
kfb: knit front and back (increases one stitch)
k2tog: knit two stitches together (decreases one stitch)
ssk: slip one stitch knit-wise, slip another stitch knit-wise, knit those two stitches together through the back loop (decreases one stitch)

Body:

Using a US 8 / 5mm circular needle and your “pop” color in “Bulky” weight, CO 108(120, 132, 140, 156) (168, 180, 192, 208) stitches.

Place marker and join in the round.

Begin 2x2 ribbing (k2, p2) for 8(8, 8, 8, 9, 9, 10) rounds.

Switch to US 10.5 / 6.5mm needle, change color, knit until Body measures 6.5(6.5, 6.5, 6.5, 7) (7, 7, 7.5, 8) / 16.5[16.5, 16.5, 16.5, 17.75] [17.75, 17.75, 19, 20.25] cm from the CO edge.

Feel free to customize the length of your crop sweater to your preference. This will be the length of the body before the sleeves are joined at the underarms (2”/5 cm away from actual underarm). The sizing diagram with the estimated raglan seam length for your particular size might help you determine your crop.

Sleeves:

To get the balloon shaping of sleeve, we start with much smaller needles and use only two strands of fingering/sock weight yarn (or a similar weight combination). Then we will do a drastic increase, go back up to our larger needle and add in one strand of worsted weight yarn.

CO 40(44, 44, 44, 44) (48, 48, 52, 52) stitches using size US 4 / 3.5mm double pointed needles and two strands of fingering/sock weight OR one strand of sport/DK weight (OR some combination that is significantly less dense than what you use for the main sweater fabric) in your “pop” color.

Join in the round, pm, and work in 2x2 ribbing (k2, p2) for 22(22, 22, 24, 24) (28, 28, 28, 28) rounds.

Next Round: (k1, kfb) the entire round, fairly loosely. [60(66, 66, 66, 66) (72, 72, 78, 78) stitches]

Next Round: Change to US 10.5 / 6.5mm, 16” circular needles or DPNs, **and** add one strand of worsted weight yarn (or whatever you need to get back to a similar gauge to the body of the sweater). Knit.

These first couple rows can feel like they are pulling or stretching the cuff, do not worry! It will go back to its normal shape after a couple of rows. If you don't like how it is stretching, use DPNs (US 10.5 / 6.5mm) for the first few rows to alleviate this.

Knit until the sleeves measure 20” / 51cm (including the cuff), remembering to change colors as you see fit!

I **highly** recommend tailoring the length of the sleeves to **your** arm length! When taking the measurement, remember this section of sleeve is from your wrist to about 2” / 5 cm away from your armpit, not your full arm. For reference, my arms are 21” / 53 cm from wrist to right in armpit. As you decide the length of your sleeves, make sure to add some extra length (1” / 2.5cm - 2” / 5 cm) to create the dramatic bubble at the bottom. Again, the sizing guide with the raglan seam length might be helpful in determining this measurement.

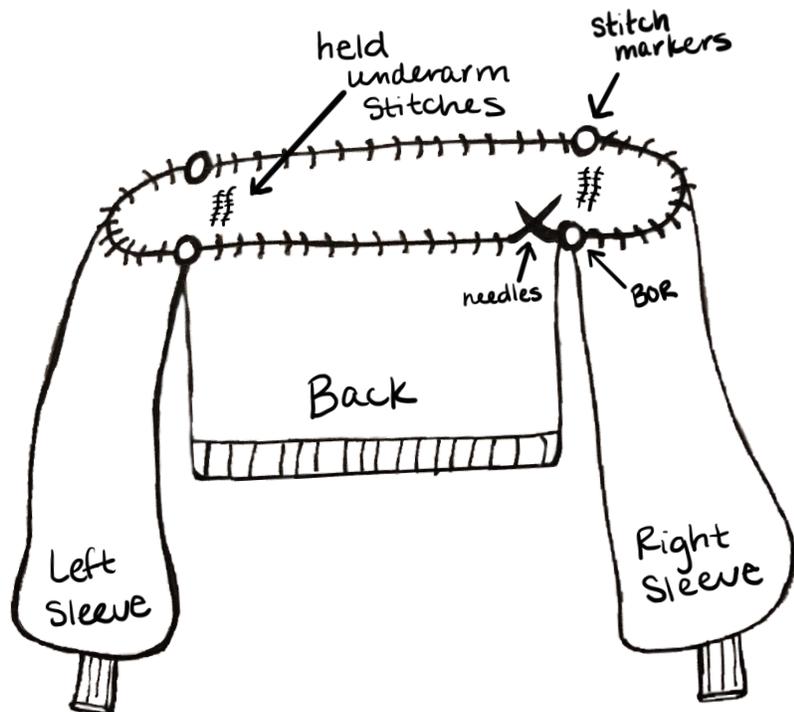
On your final round, knit to 6(6, 6, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches before marker; place these remaining 6(6, 6, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches on stitch holder or scrap yarn. These are the underarm stitches and will be attached to the underarm Body stitches at the very end. They will stay on the holder until the Finishing section.

[54(60, 60, 58, 58) (62, 62, 68, 68) stitches total on needle]

Joining Sleeves & Body:

We are now ready to join the body and sleeves. If you have not worked a bottom-up sweater before this will seem like some sort of sorcery, but it is not as intimidating as it sounds!

If you placed any of your pieces on scrap yarn (besides the held underarm sleeve stitches) they now need to be put back on needles to be worked.



This is all one round:

With your longest circular needle, knit 48(54, 60, 62, 70) (74, 80, 86, 94) stitches from Body (this will be the Back Body).

Place the next 6(6, 6, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches from Body on a holder or scrap yarn for underarm stitches.

Line up* the corresponding held stitches of 1st Sleeve.

Place marker.**

Knit the remaining 54(60, 60, 58, 58) (62, 62, 68, 68) stitches from 1st Sleeve.

Place Marker.

Knit 48(54, 60, 62, 70) (74, 80, 86, 94) stitches from Body (this will be the Front Body).

Place next 6(6, 6, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches from Body on holder for underarm stitches.

Line up* corresponding held stitches from the 2nd Sleeve.

Place Marker.

Knit remaining 54(60, 60, 58, 58) (62, 62, 68, 68) stitches of 2nd Sleeve.

* When I say "line up" I mean the stitches on holders should be parallel to each other. These two sets of held stitches are where the underarms will eventually be. The Sleeve and Body should lay how a sweater lays, with the cuff and hem at the bottom and the needles holding the yoke stitches at the top. You are making one giant circle that goes from Back Body, to the circumference of the Left Sleeve, to the Front Body, to the Right Sleeve.

**I like to use stitch markers that are different from my BOR marker. It is important that you know which marker delineates the beginning of your round.

[204(228, 240, 240, 256) (272, 284, 308, 324) stitches total on needle]

Knit until you have 1" / 2.5 cm of fabric from held armpit stitches.

Raglan Decreases:

You should have one stitch marker where your Left Sleeve begins, one where it ends, one where Right Sleeve begins, and one where it ends (your BOR marker).

Sizes XS(S, M, L, -) (-, -, -, -):

Continue onto instructions for All Sizes.

Sizes -(-, -, -, XL) (XXL, 3XL, -, -):

Set-up Round A: Slip BOR marker, ssk, knit to two stitches before 1st Sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Left Sleeve, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before next sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Right Sleeve, k2tog. (Decreased 8 stitches)

Set-up Round B: (k2, k2tog) two times, knit to last 8 stitches of Back Body, (k2tog, k2) two times, slm. Knit sleeve stitches, slm, (k2, k2tog) two times, knit to last 8 stitches of Front Body, (k2tog, k2) two times, slm. Knit sleeve stitches. (Decreased 8 stitches)

For size XL, continue onto next section.

For sizes XXL & 3XL: Repeat these two rows once more then continue onto "All Sizes".

[-(-, -, -, 240) (240, 252, -, -) stitches total on needle]

Sizes -(-, -, -, -) (-, -, 4XL, 5XL):

Set-up Round A: Slip BOR marker, ssk, knit to two stitches before 1st Sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Left Sleeve, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before next sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Right Sleeve, k2tog. (Decreased 8 stitches)

Set-up Round B: (k2, k2tog) three times, knit to last 12 stitches of Back Body, (k2tog, k2) three times, slm. Knit sleeve stitches, slm, (k2, k2tog) three times, knit to last 12 stitches of Front Body, (k2tog, k2) three times, slm. Knit sleeve stitches. (Decreased 12 stitches)

For size 4XL: Repeat these two rows once more then continue onto "All Sizes".

For size 5XL: Repeat these two rows twice more then continue onto "All Sizes".

[-(-, -, -, -) (-, -, 268, 264) stitches total on needle]

All Sizes:

Raglan Round A: Slip BOR marker, ssk, knit to two stitches before 1st Sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Left Sleeve, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before next sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Right Sleeve, k2tog. (Decreased 8 stitches)

Raglan Round B: Knit.

Repeat Raglan Rounds A & B, 7(9, 11, 9, 9) (8, 10, 11, 11) *more* times.

Repeat Round A one more time.

You will now have 30(32, 34, 40, 42) (42, 44, 44, 46) stitches for both Front and Back Body, and 36(38, 34, 36, 34) (38, 34, 38, 38) stitches for each sleeve.

[132(140, 136, 152, 152) (160, 156, 164, 168) stitches total on needle]

Separating for Neck:

We are now going to put stitches on a holder to become the Front Neck. Once we do this, we can no longer knit in the round, so the previous Raglan Round B of knitting will become purling on the WS.

Our rows will now start at the Front Right Neck.

Next Round: Knit the Back Body, slm, knit the Left Sleeve, slm, knit 22(24, 26, 30, 32) (32, 34, 34, 36) stitches of Front Body. Place 14(16, 18, 20, 22) (22, 24, 24, 26) of the stitches you **just** knit on a holder.

New Raglan Row (RS): Knit to two stitches before 1st Right Sleeve Marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before next sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Back Body, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before last sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit remaining stitches of Front Left Neck. Turn work.

New Raglan Row (WS): Purl.

Repeat New Raglan Row (RS) & (WS), 3(2, 2, 3, 4) (4, 4, 4, 4) *more* times.

You will now have 22(26, 28, 32, 32) (32, 34, 34, 36) stitches for the Back Body, 4(5, 5, 6, 5) (5, 5, 5, 5) stitches on either side of the Front Neck and 28(32, 28, 28, 24) (28, 24, 28, 28) stitches for each sleeve.

Intense Sleeve Decrease:

Next Row (RS): Knit to two stitches before 1st sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, [ssk 7(8, 7, 7, 6) (7, 6, 7, 7) times], [k2tog 7(8, 7, 7, 6) (7, 6, 7, 7) times], slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Back Body, k2tog, slm, [ssk 7(8, 7, 7, 6) (7, 6, 7, 7) times], [k2tog 7(8, 7, 7, 6) (7, 6, 7, 7) times], slm, ssk, knit to end of row.

You will now have 20(24, 26, 30, 30) (30, 32, 32, 34) stitches for the Back Body, 3(4, 4, 5, 4) (4, 4, 4, 4) stitches on either side of the Front Neck and 14(16, 14, 14, 12) (14, 12, 14, 14) stitches for each sleeve.

Next Row (WS): Purl

Raglan Row (RS): Knit to 2 stitches before 1st Right Sleeve Marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before next sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to last two stitches of Back Body, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to two stitches before last sleeve marker, k2tog, slm, ssk. Knit to end of row. Turn work.

Raglan Row (WS): Purl.

Repeat last two Normal Raglan rows until only one stitch remains for both Front Neck panels; ending after completing the WS Purl row.

You will now have 16(18, 20, 22, 24) (24, 26, 26, 28) stitches for the Back Body, 1(1, 1, 1, 1) (1, 1, 1, 1) stitch on either side of the Front Neck and 10(10, 8, 6, 6) (8, 6, 8, 8) stitches for each sleeve.

Neck Edging:

Using your “pop” color (if you have one) in “Bulky” weight, knit to across the row, removing all stitch markers as you go. Do not turn. Instead, pick up and knit 8(8, 8, 10, 10) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches along Left Front Neck. Knit the 14(16, 18, 20, 22) (22, 24, 24, 26) stitches from the Front Neck Holder. Pick up and knit 8(8, 8, 10, 10) (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches along Right Front Neck.

[68(72, 72, 76, 80) (84, 84, 88, 92) stitches total on needle]

Switch to your US 8 / 5mm, 16" circular needle, place marker, join in round, and work 2x2 ribbing (k2, p2) for 8(8, 8, 8, 8) (8, 9, 9, 10) rows.

Bind Off loosely in pattern.

Break yarn.

Finishing:

Using Three-Needle bind-off (or Kitchener Stitch) close up both underarm seams.

There will most likely be holes on both sides of these seams, you can either pick up more stitches and do larger seams with Three-Needle bind-off (or Kitchener Stitch) or you can use your ends to close these up.

Block lightly.

I **highly** recommend steam blocking or spray blocking—only soak your piece if you need to aggressively manipulate the size.

Then settle in because you most likely have some ends to weave in. ;)

Share pics of your new creation on Instagram using the hashtags #aquamarline & #parknknit. ♥



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Schematic:

These measurements are only estimates because there will be some inconsistencies with gauge. Nevertheless, I wanted to add this guide in case you want to further modify the sweater to your liking!

XS(S, M, L, XL) (XXL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL)''

XS[S, M, L, XL] [XXL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL] cm

