

# Basket Weave

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This is a fun, playful pullover to suit any body type. Knit in a seamless construction with worsted weight yarn, your intermediate project begins at the back with a provisional cast on, just below the underarm, and works it's way up and over the shoulder and down the front yoke. It is then joined in the round to complete the body. The sleeves are picked up and use short row construction. Tips are given if you want to tighten up those picked up stitches for a more polished look.

## Sizes:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
To Fit Bust:	30-32	34-36	38-40	42-44	46-48	50-52	54-56"
	76-81.5	86.5-91.5	96.5-101.5	106.5-112	117-122	127-132	137-142 cm
Finished Bust Measurement:	37	40	44	48	52	56	60"
	94	102	112	122	132	142	152 cm

## Tools and Supplies:

Interchangeable needle size 5 mm (US8) and 4.5 mm (US7), or needle size to obtain gauge, 90 cm (34") and 40 cm (16") circular cords, stitch holders, crochet hook, stitch markers, removable stitch markers, darning needle, scrap yarn

**Suggested Yarn:** Juniper Moon Farms Santa Cruz, 100% Organic Peruvian Wool, 175 m/191yd per 100 g skein

Colour A	Main Colour	Oatmeal	4 (4, 4, 5)(5, 5, 6) skeins (includes 10% extra for swatching)
Colour B		Black	1 skein all sizes
Colour C		Rust	1 skein all sizes
Colour D		Red	1 skein all sizes
Colour E		Blue	1 skein all sizes

Approximate yardage requirements:

Colour A (includes 10% overage for swatching): 545 (603, 660, 718)(775, 832, 890) m/597 (660, 772, 785)( 848, 910, 973) yd

Colour B: 105 (112, 119, 126)(140, 154, 168) m/115 (123, 130, 138)(153, 168, 184) yd

Colour C-E: 96 (104, 112, 119)(122, 133, 143) m/105 (114, 123, 130)(134, 146, 156) yd

### Skills Required:

Provisional Cast On, Knit, Purl, Knitting in the Round, Magic Loop or Knitting on DPNs, Stranded Colour Work, German Short Rows, Stretchy Bind Off, Bind Off, picking up stitches.

**Gauge:** 16.5 stitches/26 rows in 10 X 10 cm (4 X 4”) in stocking stitch 5 mm (US 8) needle

**Don't be disappointed, do a gauge swatch in BOTH Stocking Stitch and Colour Work. If your colour work is tight, you may want to increase a needle size to get correct fit. Measure your swatch before and after blocking so you can check your gauge as you go.**

### Stitch Glossary:

**Backward Loop** Loop working yarn and place on needle backward with right leg of loop  
**Cast On** in back of needle

**BO** Bind off

**BOR** Beginning of round

**CO** Cast on

**DPN** Double Pointed Needle

**DS** Double Stitch. The resulting stitch from MDS

**K** Knit

**K2TOG** Knit 2 stitches together

**MDS** Make Double Stitch. S1 from left needle to right needle, work a yarn over, pulling tight before working next stitch. Used in German Short Rows

**M1L** Using the tip of the left needle, lift strand that runs between the last stitch on the right needle and the first stitch on the left needle, from front to back, and work that strand through the front loop.

**M1R** Using the tip of the left needle, lift strand that runs between the last stitch on the right needle and the first stitch on the left needle, from back to front, and work that strand through the back loop.

<b>P</b>	Purl
<b>PM</b>	Place marker
<b>PU</b>	Pick up
<b>RM</b>	Remove marker
<b>RS</b>	Right side
<b>S</b>	Slip stitch knitwise without working
<b>SM</b>	Slip marker
<b>SS</b>	Stocking Stitch, Knit right side row, Purl wrong side row
<b>SSK</b>	Slip next 2 stitches, one by one, knitwise. Return the two slipped stitches back to the left hand needle, without twisting and knit them together through the back loop
<b>sts</b>	Stitches
<b>2X2 Rib</b>	Right side: (K2, P2); repeat to end of row/round. Wrong Side: Purl the purls, knit the knits as presented on needle
<b>WS</b>	Wrong side

## Tips and Tricks

**Preferred Cast on:** Judy's Magic Cast on, YouTube link <https://youtu.be/GV9UaFgZ6Q0>, **OR** use a crocheted provisional cast on. If you are using Judy's Magic Cast on, use a second needle and cord during cast on, and leave stitches on holder until required.

**Picking up and tightening stitches for armhole and neck:** Using the yarn indicated in pattern and a thin highly contrasting colour yarn or strong thread, pick up the stitches as indicated and cut contrast yarn. When all the picked up stitches have been worked and a few more rows, turn your work inside out, locate the picked up stitches by the contrast yarn, and yarn tail. Working in the reverse direction of knitting, gently tug the loop on the wrong side of work. Move to the next stitch and pull up the slack from the previous stitch. Continue to the first stitch picked up, pull out all the slack with the yarn tail, and trim to be woven in. You should now be able to pull out the contrast yarn. Here is a link to a quick tutorial for these tips. <https://youtu.be/bvsjP5bYUCY>



## Pattern Instructions

### Upper Back Section:

Beginning at mid back, and working up toward the neck, using larger needles, colour A and a provisional cast on, CO 66 (74, 82, 90)(98, 106, 114) sts. (If using Judy's Magic cast on, 66 (74, 82, 90)(98, 106, 114) sts on **each** needle)

Starting with a WS (purl) row, work SS for 3 rows, ending with a WS row.

Next row (RS): K2, K2TOG, knit until 4 sts remain on left needle, SSK, K2. (Decrease 2 sts)

Repeat these 4 rows 2 (2, 2, 2)(4, 3, 4) more times, ending with RS row. 60 (68, 76, 84)(88, 98, 104) sts

### **For Sizes F and G Only**

Starting with a WS row, Purl to end.

Next row: K2, K2TOG knit until 4 sts remain on left needle, SSK, K2. (Decrease 2 sts)

Repeat these 2 rows 3 more times, ending with RS row. 60 (68, 76, 84)(88, 90, 96) sts

### **For all sizes**

Work 15 (15, 16.5, 16.5)(16, 17, 19.5) cm/6 (6, 6.5, 6.5)(6.25, 6.75, 7.75)" in SS, ending with a WS row.

### **Begin Neck shaping:**

Next Row (RS): K19 (22, 26, 29)(31, 31, 34). Join second ball of colour A and BO 22 (24, 24, 26)(26, 28, 28), knit to end of row.

Next Row (WS): Working across both shoulders in SS, work left side, slipping last stitch at neck edge. Slipping the first stitch, BO 3 (5, 5, 6)(7, 6, 7) at the beginning of right side neck edge, work to end of row.

Repeat once on RS working BO at left side neck edge. 16 (17, 21, 23)(24, 25, 27) sts on each side.

BO 2 (3, 3, 3)(4, 3, 5) at the beginning of neck edge of next 2 rows in the same fashion 14 (14, 18, 20)(20, 22, 22) sts on each side.

Work 2.5 (2.5, 2.75, 2.75)(2.75, 4, 4) cm/1.25 (1.25, 1.5, 1.5)(1.5, 1.75, 1.75)" in SS. Place a removable stitch marker, or piece of scrap yarn in the stitch at each end of the row to mark shoulder.

This completes the back section of the upper body. Now is a good time to check fit, allowing for any growth that may come with blocking.

### **Front** continuing from shoulder:

Work 2.5 (2.5, 2.75, 2.75)(2.75, 4, 4) cm/1.25 (1.25, 1.5, 1.5)(1.5, 1.75, 1.75)" in SS ending with RS row.

Next row (WS): Work left shoulder sts, CO 1 (2, 2, 3)(2, 2, 3) sts using backwards loop method. Work right shoulder sts.

Next Row (RS): Work right shoulder sts, casting on at right neck edge as in previous row. Work left shoulder sts.

Continue in this method CO 2 (3, 3, 3)(4, 3, 5) sts and then 4 (5, 5, 5)(7, 6, 6) sts at end of each neck edge, over next 4 rows. 21 (24, 28, 31)(33, 33, 36) sts on each side.

Next row (WS): Work to neck edge, CO 18 (20, 20, 22)(22, 24, 24) using backwards loop method, join work, break second ball of yarn and work to end of row. 60 (68, 76, 84)(88, 90, 96) sts.

Work 14 (14, 15.5, 15.5)(14.5, 16, 18.5) cm/5.5 (5.5, 6.25, 6.25)( 5.75, 6.25, 7.25)” ending with a WS row.

#### **For Sizes F and G Only**

Next Row (RS): K2, M1R, knit until 4 sts remain on left needle, M1L, K2. (Increase 2 sts).

Next row (WS): Purl to end.

Repeat these 2 rows 3 more times, ending with a WS row.

#### **For All Sizes**

Next row (RS): K2, M1R, knit to 2 sts before end of row, M1L K2. (Increase 2 sts).

Work 3 rows ending with a WS row.

Repeat these 4 rows 2 (2, 2, 2)(4, 3, 4) more times, ending with a RS row. 66 (74, 82, 90)(98, 106, 114) sts.

### **Body:**

#### **Joining in round:**

K66 (74, 82, 90)(98, 106, 114), CO 10 sts using backward loop method, taking care not to twist sts, PU and knit 66 (74, 82, 90)(98, 106, 114) sts from stitch holder (or provisional cast on), CO 5 sts, using backward loop method, PM (BOR), CO 5 more sts, join in round, taking care not to twist stitches. 152 (168, 184, 200)(216, 232, 248) sts.

Work 2 rounds.

#### **Colour work:**

At BOR, begin to work from chart on final page. Work through Round 54 of the chart.

Change to colour A and continue in SS for one round or work to desired length less 6.5 cm/2.5”.

#### **Hem:**

Do not change needles. Separate hem: Work 2 X 2 Rib for 76 (84, 92, 100)(108, 116, 124) sts. Attach a new ball of colour A and complete round in 2 X 2 Rib. 76 (84, 92, 100)(108, 116, 124) sts. Turn. Working back and forth across front and back separately, work 6.5 cm/2.5” in ribbing. If you want, add extra rows to the back to give it more length.

Bind off loosely in rib.

### **Sleeves:**

Place markers on each side of the 10 underarm cast on stitches. Divide the remaining length of the armhole into six sections using the shoulder marker and underarm markers as guides. You should now have 7 marked sections.

Using larger needles, colour A and starting at centre of underarm and without removing stitch markers, PU and knit 5 sts from underarm then PU and knit 50 (54, 58, 62)(70, 78, 86) sts evenly across the 6 sections of the armhole, then PU and knit 5 more underarm sts, PM (BOR). 60 (64, 68, 72)(80, 88, 96) sts.

Knit 1 full round.

### Begin short rows:

Next Row (RS): Knit to 5<sup>th</sup> marker (one marker past the shoulder), MDS, turn.

Next Row (WS): Purl to 2<sup>nd</sup> marker (one marker past the shoulder), MDS, turn.



Row 1: Knit to and work DS, MDS, turn.

Row 2: Purl to and work DS, MDS, turn.

Repeat Row 1 & 2 until all armhole sts (not including underarm sts) have been worked. Work two rounds.

Remove the markers marking the armhole sections, leaving the underarm marker indicating BOR.

Break colour A, and begin to work colour chart, working the decrease row every 15 (15, 11, 9)(6, 5, 4) rounds, remembering to begin and end rows on chart one stitch less after decreases. Let the colour in your knitting guide you.

**Decrease Rounds:** K1, K2TOG, knit to 3 stitches before marker, SSK, K1, SM.

When chart is complete, continue working with colour A continuing to work a decrease round at the appropriate interval 4 (6, 8, 10)(14, 18, 22) times total. 52 sts remain. Work to desired length less 5 cm/2".

Next round: K2TOG, \*K5, K2TOG\*; repeat from \* 6 more times, K1. 44 sts

Change to smaller needles. Work 2X2 rib for 5 cm/2".

Bind off loosely.

Repeat for second sleeve.

## Neck

PM at centre back neck. Divide neck opening into 8 equal sections. With smaller needle and colour A, PU and knit 10 (12, 12, 13)(13, 14, 14) sts per section, starting at centre back. 80 (96, 96, 104)(104, 112, 112) sts.

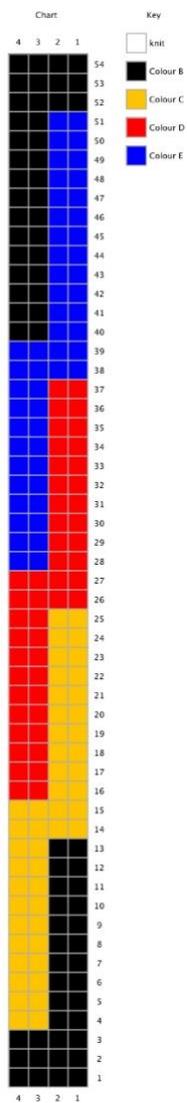
Work 10 cm/4" in 2 X 2 rib.

Bind off loosely.

### Make up

With darning needle, weave in ends. Wash and block.

Wear with turtle neck up, folded over, or you can fold it to the inside and slip stitch in place.



Each space represents one stitch. Charts are read beginning from the bottom right corner, working to the left. Continue repeating the four stitch colour repeat to end of round, and move to the row above.