

# Petiteknit

## BEGINNER'S JACKET



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<b>Sizes:</b>	0-3 months (3-6 months) 6-9 months (9-12 months) 12-18 months (18-24 months) 2-3 years (3-4 years) 4-5 years (5-6 years) 6-7 years (7-8 years)
<b>Bust circumference:</b>	50 (52) 56 (58) 60 (62) 66 (68) 70 (72) 74 (76) cm [19¾ (20½) 22 (22¾) 23½ (24½) 26 (26¾) 27½ (28¼) 29¼ (30) inches]
<b>Length mid front:</b>	22 (25) 26 (29) 29 (32) 32 (34) 37 (37) 41 (44) cm [8¾ (9¾) 10¼ (11½) 11½ (12½) 12½ (13½) 14½ (14½) 16¼ (17¼) inches]
<b>Gauge:</b>	23 stitches x 46 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] in garter stitch on a 4 mm [US4] needle
<b>Needles:</b>	4 mm [US6] / 80 cm [32 inches] circular needles
<b>Materials:</b>	150 (150) 150 (200) 200 (200-250) 250 (250) 300 (300) 300 (350) g Alpakka by Sandnes Garn (50 g = 110 m [120 yds]) or Pernilla by Filcolana (50 g = 175 m [191 yds]), 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) 8 (8) buttons (∅ = 13-15 mm)

## PATTERN

If this is your first knitting project, it is best if you take it slowly and work systematically. Begin by reading through the pattern. Help videos for all the techniques used in the pattern can be found at [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com).

The parentheses in the pattern mark the numbers for the different sizes. It can be helpful to go through the pattern and mark all the numbers that are relevant for the size you are knitting. This makes following the pattern simpler.

Begin by knitting a swatch before you begin knitting the jacket. The swatch will help you determine whether you have the correct gauge. Should you come to find out that the jacket is still turning out too wide along the way, for example, you can choose to knit it a bit longer and also extend the sleeves a bit – this way it is simply a larger size than originally planned.

The Beginner's Jacket is worked back and forth in garter stitch from the top down. First the yoke is worked, then the body and then the sleeves. The sleeves are also worked back and forth and then sewn together along the inside at the end.

### **About raglan increases**

The raglan increases are worked on both sides of a raglan stitch. One raglan increase creates one new stitch, and the increase is made by bringing the yarn over the needle from front to back (also called a yarn over). On a raglan increase row a total of 8 raglan increases are worked, meaning that 8 new stitches are formed. On the following row the yarn overs are knitted through the back loop (twisted, see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)) to prevent holes.

### **About buttonholes**

The buttonholes are placed along the left front edge and worked at the same time as knitting the yoke and body of the jacket, embedded in the main fabric. The buttonholes are worked at the beginning of a row, as follows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)):

Knit 2 stitches, knit 2 stitches together, yarn over, knit to end of row as the pattern dictates. In this case (unlike with the raglan increases) the yarn over is worked as a regular knit stitch on the next row to create the buttonhole (not twisted).

### **Yoke**

Cast on 54 (60) 64 (66) 70 (70) 76 (76) 76 (82) 82 (82) stitches on a 4 mm [US6] / 80 cm [32 inches] circular needle with your preferred method (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)).

The first row is a right side row. Knit across 2 rows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)).

Now divide the stitches you have on the needle for the raglan increases using stitch markers. The raglan increases are worked on both sides of a central raglan stitch. **Place a marker on each side of each raglan stitch – a total of 8 stitch markers.** Divide as follows (without knitting the row):

11 (12) 13 (13) 14 (14) 15 (15) 15 (16) 16 (16) stitches (left front), place a marker, 1 stitch (raglan stitch), place a marker, 6 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (10) 10 (10) stitches (left sleeve), place a marker, 1 stitch (raglan stitch), place a marker, 16 (18) 20 (20) 22 (22) 24 (24) 24 (26) 26 (26) stitches (back), place a marker, 1 stitch (raglan stitch), place a marker, 6 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (10) 10 (10) stitches (right sleeve), place a marker, 1 stitch (raglan stitch), place a marker, 11 (12) 13 (13) 14 (14) 15 (15) 15 (16) 16 (16) stitches (right front).

Now work raglan increases from the **right side** as follows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)):

Row 1 (right side): Knit across the stitches for the left front to the stitch marker, yarn over (meaning bring the yarn over the needle from front to back), slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, knit the raglan stitch, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, yarn over, knit across the stitches for the left sleeve to the stitch marker, yarn over, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, knit the raglan stitch, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, yarn over, knit across the stitches for the back to the stitch marker, yarn over, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, knit the raglan stitch, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, yarn over, knit across the stitches for the right sleeve to the stitch marker, yarn over, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, knit the raglan stitch, slip the stitch marker from the left to the right needle, yarn over, knit across the stitches for the right front (you have worked a total of 8 yarn overs).

Row 2 (wrong side): Knit across the row and knit the yarn overs from the previous row through the back loop to avoid holes.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 a total of 17 (18) 19 (20) 21 (22) 23 (24) 25 (26) 27 (28) times, **while at the same time** working buttonholes. The first buttonhole is worked after 1 cm [slightly less than ½ inch] and then every 4 (4.5) 4 (4.5) 4.5 (5) 5 (4.5) 5 (5) 5.5 (6) cm [approx. 1½ (1¾) 1½ (1¾) 1¾ (1¾) 2 (1¾) 2 (2) 2¼ (2¼) inches] intervals.

There are now a total of 190 (204) 216 (226) 238 (246) 260 (268) 276 (290) 298 (306) stitches on the needles. The next row is a right side row.

*Distribution of stitches:*

28 (30) 32 (33) 35 (36) 38 (39) 40 (42) 43 (44) stitches (left front), 1 stitch (raglan stitch), 40 (43) 45 (48) 50 (52) 55 (57) 59 (62) 64 (66) stitches (left sleeve), 1 stitch (raglan stitch), 50 (54) 58 (60) 64 (66) 70 (72) 74 (78) 80 (82) stitches (back), 1 stitch (raglan stitch), 40 (43) 45 (48) 50 (52) 55 (57) 59 (62) 64 (66) stitches (right sleeve), 1 stitch (raglan stitch), 28 (30) 32 (33) 35 (36) 38 (39) 40 (42) 43 (44) stitches (right front).

## Body

Now the body will be worked while the stitches for the sleeves rest on stitch holders. At the same time, the stitch markers are removed and new stitches are cast on at the underarms, as follows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)):

Knit 28 (30) 32 (33) 35 (36) 38 (39) 40 (42) 43 (44) stitches (left front), remove stitch marker, knit the raglan stitch, remove stitch marker, place the 40 (43) 45 (48) 50 (52) 55 (57) 59 (62) 64 (66) sleeve stitches on a stitch holder, cast on 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (6) 6 (6) 6 (6) stitches using the backward loop method, remove stitch marker, knit the raglan stitch, remove stitch marker, knit 50 (54) 58 (60) 64 (66) 70 (72) 74 (78) 80 (82) stitches (back), remove stitch marker, knit the raglan stitch, remove stitch marker, place the 40 (43) 45 (48) 50 (52) 55 (57) 59 (62) 64 (66) sleeve stitches on a stitch holder, cast on 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (6) 6 (6) 6 (6) stitches using the backward loop method, remove stitch marker, knit the raglan stitch, remove stitch marker, knit 28 (30) 32 (33) 35 (36) 38 (39) 40 (42) 43 (44) stitches (right front).

There are now a total of 118 (126) 134 (138) 146 (150) 158 (166) 170 (178) 182 (186) stitches on the needles for the body.

Work back and forth in garter stitch until the jacket measures approx. 20 (23) 24 (27) 27 (30) 30 (32) 35 (35) 39 (42) cm [ $7\frac{3}{4}$  (9)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  ( $10\frac{3}{4}$ )  $10\frac{3}{4}$  ( $11\frac{3}{4}$ )  $11\frac{3}{4}$  ( $12\frac{1}{2}$ )  $13\frac{3}{4}$  ( $13\frac{3}{4}$ )  $15\frac{1}{4}$  ( $16\frac{1}{2}$ ) inches] or to the desired length, keeping in mind that if you decide to make it longer, the yarn requirements might increase. **Remember to work buttonholes along the way.**

Knit 4 rows after the last buttonhole before binding all stitches off from the wrong side (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)).

## Sleeves

Work one sleeve at a time. The resting sleeve stitches for one sleeve are now placed back on a 4 mm [US4] / 80 cm [32 inches] circular needle and worked back and forth in garter stitch. It can be a bit tricky for the first couple of cm [the first inch or so], but once you are a little distance from the armhole it becomes easier. Begin by casting on 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) new stitches at each end of the first row and work as follows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)):

Cast on 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) new stitches onto the end of the needle without the sleeve stitches on. Now hold the needle with the newly cast on stitches in your right hand and the needle with the sleeve stitches in your left hand and knit the sleeve stitches onto the right needle. Finish the row by casting on 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) new stitches using the backward loop method. You now have new stitches at each end of the sleeve stitches and there are a total of 46 (49) 51 (54) 56 (58) 61 (65) 67 (70) 72 (74) stitches on the needle.

Work back and forth in garter stitch, **while at the same time** working decreases at 2 cm [ $\frac{3}{4}$  inch] intervals so the sleeve narrows towards the wrist. A total of 7 (7) 8 (8) 9 (10) 11 (12) 13 (14) 15 (16) decrease rows are worked as follows (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)):

Knit 1 stitch, knit 2 stitches together, knit to the last 3 stitches on the needle, knit 2 stitches together, knit 1 stitch.

After all the decrease rows have been worked there are 32 (35) 35 (38) 38 (38) 39 (41) 41 (42) 42 (42) stitches left on the needle.

Continue in garter stitch until the sleeve measures 15 (16) 17 (18) 20 (21) 23 (25) 28 (30) 32 (33) cm [ $6$  ( $6\frac{1}{4}$ )  $6\frac{3}{4}$  (7)  $7\frac{3}{4}$  ( $8\frac{1}{4}$ ) 9 ( $9\frac{3}{4}$ ) 11 ( $11\frac{3}{4}$ )  $12\frac{1}{2}$  (13) inches] or to the desired length.

Bind off all stitches from the wrong side. Work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

### **Finishing**

Sew each sleeve together along the underside using mattress stitch (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)). Sew together the armholes (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)).

Weave in all ends and sew buttons along the right front edge across from the buttonholes (see video on [www.petiteknit.com](http://www.petiteknit.com)).

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