

CARDIGAN NO. 3 #CARDIGANNO3



ABOUT CARDIGAN NO. 3

Cardigan No. 3 is a chunky cardigan with feminine details.

The cardigan is knit bottom up, back and forth on circular needles.

It is knit with 1 thread stash yarn, 1 thread merino wool and 1 thread silk mohair (3 threads in total).

The decreases at the yoke shape a pretty v-neck, which can be more or less deep, depending on the buttons' positioning.

SIZES

XS (S) M (L)

MEASUREMENTS

Length: 53 (56) 58 (62) cm

Chest measurement (circumference): 93 (98) 104 (109) cm

RECOMMENDED NEEDLES

Circular needle 6 mm and 7 mm (80 cm)

GAUGE

14 sts x 19 rows in stockinette stitch in needle 7 mm = 10 x 10 cm

MATERIAL

150 (150) 200 (200) g Arwetta, Filcolana 50 g / 210 m (in colour 971)

together with

75 (75) 100 (100) g Soft Silk Mohair, Knitting for Olive 25 g / 225 m (in colour pudder)

together with

1 thread stash yarn* (mixed stash yarn – as many colours as you want)

See **Knitting with stash yarn on the last page for further information about how to achieve the best results.*

Yarn alternative:

300 (300) 350 (400) Snefnug from CamaRose 50 g / 110 m

Knit on needle 6 mm for the correct gauge.

5 buttons (2,4 cm)

ABBREVIATIONS

st(s) = stitch(es)

k = knit

p = purl

tbl = through the back loop

rs = right side

ws = wrong side

stm = stitch marker

d st = double stitch

BEFORE YOU START

Please remember to knit a gauge swatch, before you start knitting your cardigan. Only with a gauge swatch you can make sure, that the proportions turn out correctly.

EDGE STITCHES

Edge sts are knit on every single row at the cardigan's yoke and body. Slip the 1st st purlwise with the yarn *in front* of your work (remember to tighten the yarn properly) and knit the last st.

DECREASES

The decreases are knit along the front edges and at the armhole openings at the yoke. You knit right and left slanting decreases, see explanation below:

Right slanting decrease (k2tog): knit 2 sts together.

Left slanting decrease (ssk): slip the 1st st as if to knit, slip the 2nd st as if to knit. Slide the left needle into the front of both stitches and knit them together through the back loop.

BODY

Cast on 136 (142) 150 (158) sts (including edge sts) on needle 6 mm and knit 4 (4) 5 (5) cm rib *k1, p1*.

Change to needle 7 mm.

Continue knitting in stockinette stitch, until the garment measures 34 (35) 36 (37) cm incl. the ribbed hem.

Front and back are divided now and are finished separately.

TIP! Do you prefer a longer cardigan? Continue knitting in stockinette stitch until you reach your preferred length.

RIGHT FRONT

The right front (right side when wearing the cardigan) is knit with the first 34 (36) 38 (40) sts on the needle.

Place the remaining 102 (106) 112 (118) sts on a cable needle or extra piece of yarn.

Knit as follows:

*RS: edge st, k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, ssk, k until 8 (8) 9 (9) sts left, k2tog, k the remaining sts.

WS: p all sts.*

Continue as explained and repeat *-*, until you have knit 6 (6) 7 (7) decreases in total.

There are 22 (24) 24 (26) sts on the needle.

Continue with the decreases at the front edge further 8 (9) 8 (8) times:

*RS: edge st, k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, ssk, k the remaining sts.

WS: p all sts.*

You have knit 14 (15) 15 (16) decreases at the front edge. There are 14 (15) 16 (18) sts on the needle.

Continue knitting in stockinette stitch further 5 (6) 7 (8) cm.

Leave the remaining sts on a cable needle or extra piece of yarn, while knitting the left front and back.

LEFT FRONT

Let the 68 (70) 74 (78) back- sts rest furthermore and place the last 34 (36) 38 (40) sts on needle 7 mm.

Take the yarn and start under the armhole opening.

Knit as follows:

*RS: k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, ssk, k until 9 (9) 10 (10) sts left, k2tog, k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, edge st.

WS: p all sts.*

Continue as explained and repeat *-*, until you have knit 6 (6) 7 (7) decreases in total.

There are 22 (24) 24 (26) sts on the needle.

Continue with the decreases at the front edge for further 8 (9) 8 (8) times:

*RS: k until 9 (9) 10 (10) sts left, k2tog, k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, edge st.

WS: p all sts.*

You have knit 14 (15) 15 (15) decreases at the front edge.

There are 14 (15) 16 (18) sts left on the needle.

Continue knitting in stockinette stitch for further 5 (6) 7 (8) cm.

Leave the remaining sts on a cable needle or extra piece of yarn, while knitting the back.

BACK

Place the resting 68 (70) 74 (78) back-sts on needle 7 mm.

Take your yarn and start at the garment's rs.

Start by casting off 2 sts.

Now knit the decreases along the back's armhole opening.

k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, ssk, k until 10 (10) 11 (11) sts left, k2tog, k 8 (8) 9 (9) sts.

Cast off the first 2 sts at the garment's ws. p the rest of the row.

There are 62 (64) 68 (72) sts on the needle.

*RS: k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts, ssk, k until 8 (8) 9 (9) sts left, k2tog, k 6 (6) 7 (7) sts.

WS: p all sts.*

Repeat *-*, until you have knit 11 (11) 11 (11) increases in total.

There are 40 (42) 46 (50) sts on the needle.

Continue knitting in stockinette stitch further 10 (11) 12 (13) cm. You will now cast off sts for the neckline. The sts at the neck are knit as an I-cord finish as follows:

k 14 (15) 16 (18) sts.



Cast on 3 new sts at the left needle with the knitted cast on.
k2, k2tog tbl, place these 3 sts back on the left needle.
Repeat *-*, until you have 16 (17) 18 (20) sts left. Slip 1 st knitwise, k2tog,
pass the slipped st over.

k 14 (15) 16 (18).

TIP! If you are not familiar with the I-cord method, watch this video for further instruction: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lj8aSPnAcjs>

You have now 14 (15) 16 (18) "open" sts on both sides of the back and each shoulder is now shaped by sewing back and front together with the Kitchener stitch.

SHOULDERS

Front and back will be sewn together with the Kitchener stitch now.

TIP! If you are not familiar with the Kitchener stitch, watch this video for further instruction: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7i5JwEReW0>

Place the right front- sts and the right back- sts on a needle each.
Pull the thread through the tapestry needle and sew with the Kitchener stitch.
Start at the neckline and work towards the armhole opening.

SLEEVES

The sleeves are knit with short row shaping.
Start by picking up 80 (84) 88 (94) sts along the armhole opening's edge with needle 7 mm. Watch out to pick up the same amount of sts on both front and back.
Start the round down at the armhole opening, i.e. centre under the sleeve and place a stm at the round's beginning. Cut the yarn.

TIP! This round of sts is describes as 'pick up round' when knitting your sleeve cap.

Slip 24 (26) 28 (27) sts onto the right needle.
Take a new piece of yarn and k 8 sts, cast on 4 new sts.

k 4 (4) 4 (6) sts, cast on 6 sts, repeat *-* in total 3 times.

k 4 (4) 4 (6) sts, cast on 4 sts, k8.

You have now cast on 26 new sts and there are 5 holes along the shoulder.
Those holes will be closed, once the garment is finished.

There are 106 (110) 114 (120) sts on the needle.

You will now shape the sleeve cap with short rows.

At each short row you will include 1 st from your pick up round, while reducing the amount of sts at the sleeves by decreasing.

These decreases are done by **k2tog*** (1 t st from the previous row and the st right before your t st) when working on the garment's rs.
When working on the ws, **p2tog tbl**** (1 t sts from the previous row and the st right before the t st).

See explanations below on *turning stitches, k2tog* and *p2tog tbl*.

Turning stitches (t sts): k1 or p1 (this k or p st is always from your pick up round), turn and place yarn in front of your garment. Slip the t st from left to right needle and pull the yarn tightly to the back. The actual st will disappear and the 2 "legs" are now on the needle = t st.

TIP! The turning stitches are knit with the German short row method. If you are not familiar with this method, watch this video for further information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-E3YSHPOQs>

***knit 2 sts together (k2tog):** k 2 sts together – 1 'regular st' and the t st from the previous row.

****purl 2 sts together through the back loop (p2tog tbl):** Slip 2 sts (1 'regular p st' and 1 t st from the previous row) from the left to right needle and *turn both sts*, while slipping them back onto left needle.

Purl the 2 sts together *through the back loop*.

Continue knitting as follows:

k the first 58 (58) 58 (66) sts and include 1 st from your pick up round.

Work 1 t st. You are now at the ws. P all sts through to your 1st st with the new yarn, work 1 t st.

*k until 2 sts left (1 regular st and 1 t st from the previous row), k2tog, work 1 t st.

p until 2 sts left (1 regular st and 1 t st from the previous row), p2tog tbl, work 1 t st.*

Continue knitting the short rows, repeat *-*, until you have 6 (7) 9 (8) sts left *before* the stm.

You have now 72 (74) 78 (84) sts on the needle.

Knit 10 (11) 11 (12) cm in stockinette stitch.

K1, k2tog the complete round.

K 0 (2) 2 (2) sts and thereafter *k2tog, k1* the complete round.

You have now 32 (34) 36 (38) sts on the needle.

Change to needle 6 mm and knit 4 (4) 5 (5) cm in rib *k1, p1*.

Cast off all sts in rib.

TIP! You might as well use the Italian cast off method. If you are not familiar with this method, watch this video for further information:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TPnmkWOUbFs>

Knit the 2nd sleeve the same way.

BUTTONHOLES

You will work in total 5 buttonholes along the right front (the right front piece when wearing the cardigan). Place 5 stm evenly spread along the right front for marking the buttonholes' placement. The bottom buttonhole is placed at the ribbed hem.

The buttonhole is knit into the 5th st next to the edge, excl. the edge st. Please double check the placement, before you start sewing. You might even want to try on the cardigan.

TIP! If you are not familiar with the buttonhole stitch and need further instruction:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2x3Te7Cnbl>



You will now stretch the hole in the stitch, so that it will be large enough for the button. With double thread silk/mohair, sew around the stretched stitch with the buttonhole stitch.

You can adjust the hole's size with your finger, while sewing. Watch out that the button fits the hole and that the buttonholes stretch slightly when used.

FINISHING

You will now shape the puff sleeves.

WATCH OUT! The following step is very important for the final result, as the puff sleeves are one of the most visible details. Please try on your cardigan, before you start sewing.

The 5 holes at the shoulder are now closed one after the other. Fold them, so that they drape nicely and stitch each of them with a new piece of yarn.

Try on the cardigan again to check the folded layers' positions and adjust them, if necessary.

Weave in the ends with the Kitchener stitch.

Sew 5 buttons onto the left front band, the same height as the buttonholes.

Wash and block the cardigan. Let it dry flat. Watch the instructions on the label.

KNITTING WITH STASH YARN

Knitting with yarn from your stash is a perfect opportunity to reduce the piles of yarn. To tighten the different odds and ends, use the magic knot method.

TIP! If you are not familiar with this method, watch this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7pr6n4kEFgY>

Choose those colours which blend harmonically and with which you can still obtain the given gauge.

Watch out that you should change colours more often when knitting the sleeves and both front pieces, as the repeats are shorter than when knitting the back or the body. You want to create an even stripe effect through the complete cardigan.

Here, I chose stash yarn with a meterage of 110 and 160 m, though with small variations.

Change yarn after having wrapped around the ball of yarn 15 and 22 times (body) and after 8-10 times at the yoke and sleeves.