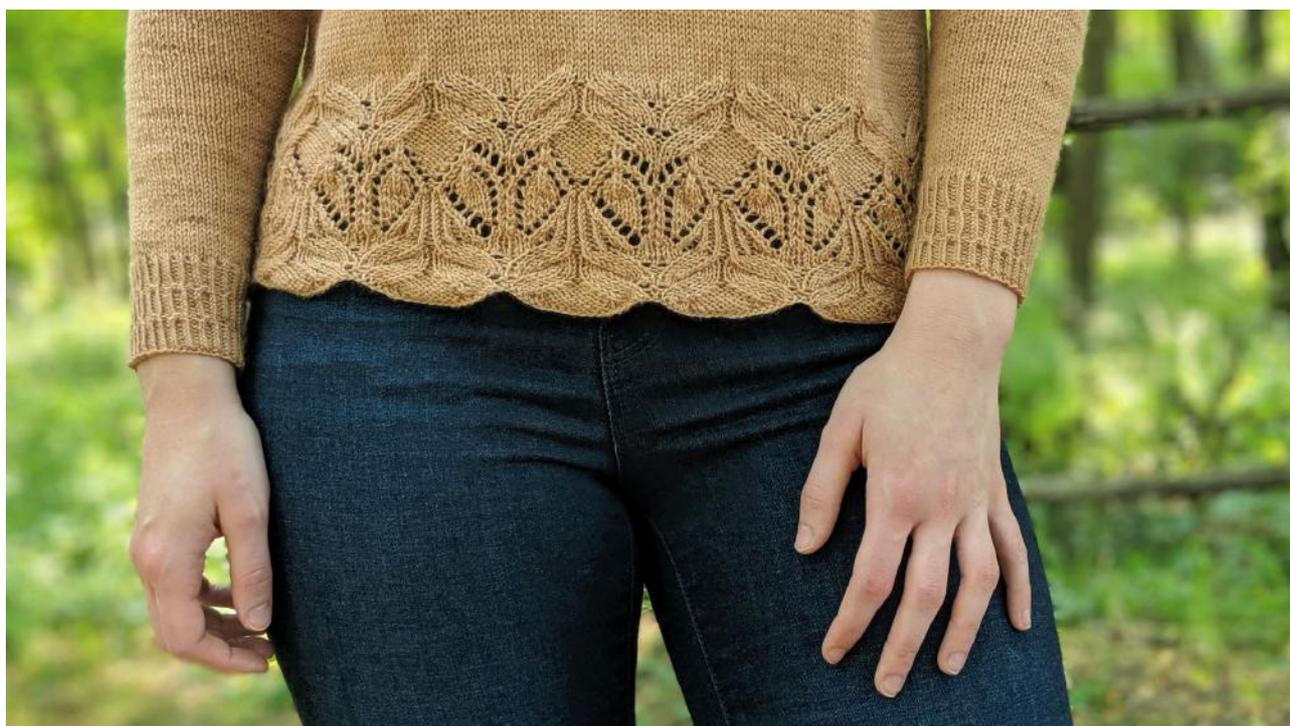
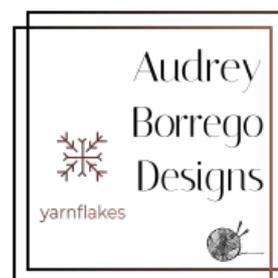


Catechu



Notes

Catechu is a lightweight sweater with a floral lace hem and delicate twisted ribbing details. It is knitted from the bottom up in the round in an A-line shape until the armholes where front and back are separated to be worked flat. The neckline is shaped with short-rows and the shoulders are joined with a three-needle bind-off for stability. The sleeves are then picked up and worked in the round with decreases to make them a close but not too tight fit.

For a flowy look the sweater is intended to be worn with a lot of positive ease but it remains adjustable to any fit preferences. The A-line shaping and the rounded neckline create a versatile garment that can easily be thrown on dresses and jeans alike.

The lace motif and the twisted ribbing are engaging with geometric features that make them intuitive and satisfying to work. The pattern features a chart and written instructions as well as a video tutorial for the special ribbed twist.

Use the hashtag #catechusweater to share your project.

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Yarn :

1000 (1100 / 1200 / 1300 / 1400 / 1500 / 1600 / 1700 / 1800) meters

1094 (1203 / 1312 / 1422 / 1531 / 1640 / 1750 / 1859 / 1968) yards
of fingering weight yarn.

Sample was knit with Jardin de Laine Classic Sock in Caramel Mou.

Needles :

Main Fabric : 3 mm (US 2.5) circular needles with appropriate length to knit in the round and magic loop or DPNs.

Ribbing : 2.5 mm (US 1.5) circular needles with appropriate length to knit in the round
or sizes required to get gauge

Gauge :

24.5 st x 29 rnds per 10 cm – 4" with larger needles in stockinette stitch after blocking

Notions :

Stitch markers, tapestry needle and scissors

Row counter recommended

Techniques used :

Bottom-up in the round drop shoulder with A-line shaping on the body and a round neck

German short-rows, three-needle bind-off on the shoulders

Lace knitting with yarn overs, twisted stitches, simple and double decreases

Pattern includes written and charted instructions

Abbreviations :

- st : stitch / rnd : round / BOR : beginning of round
- RS : right side / WS : wrong side
- m : marker / pm : place marker / sm : slip marker
- dec : decrease / inc : increase
- k : knit stitch / p : purl stitch
- ktbl : knit through the back loop
- yo : yarn over
- sl.wp : slipped wrap, pass the 3rd st on the left needle over the first 2 then k1, yo, k1
- k2tog : knit the next two st together (1 dec)
- ssk : slip the next two st separately knitwise and then knit them together through their back loops (1 dec)
- s2kp : slip the next 2 st together knitwise, k1 then pass the slipped st over (2 dec)
- DS : double stitch for German short rows
- *-* : repeat instructions between asterisks

Sizes :

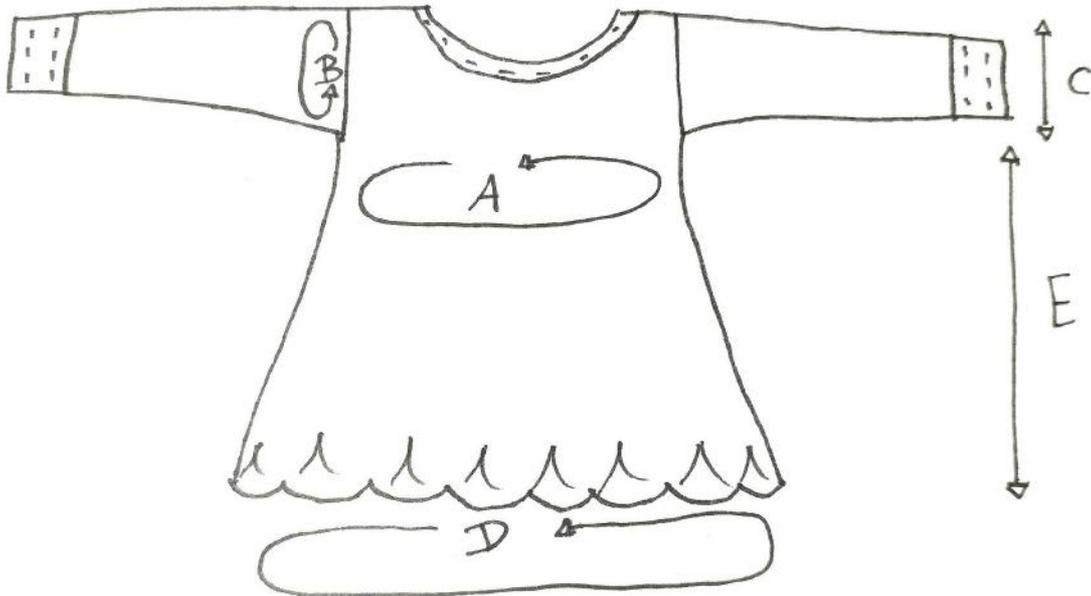
1 (2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9)

Finished bust circumference :

89 (98 / 106 / 114 / 122.5 / 130 / 138.5 / 147 / 155) cm

35 (38 1/2 / 41 3/4 / 44 3/4 / 48 1/4 / 51 1/4 / 54 1/2 / 57 3/4 / 61)"

Choose a size with 15 to 25 cm – 6 to 9 3/4" positive ease. Shown in size 3 on an 84 cm – 33" bust.



Size	1	2	3	4	5
A Bust circ.	89 cm 35"	98 cm 38 1/2"	106 cm 41 3/4"	114 cm 44 3/4"	122.5 cm 48 1/4"
B Upper arm circ.	34 cm 13 1/2"	34 cm 13 1/2"	35 cm 13 3/4"	36 cm 14 1/4"	37.5 cm 14 3/4"
C Armhole depth	17 cm 6 3/4"	17 cm 6 3/4"	18 cm 7"	18.5 cm 7 1/4"	19 cm 7 1/2"
D Hem circ.	108 cm 42.5"	117 cm 46"	126 cm 49 1/2"	135 cm 53 1/4"	144 cm 56 3/4"
E Body length (adjustable)	33 - 40 cm 13 - 15 3/4"				

Size	6	7	8	9
A Bust circ.	130 cm 51 1/4"	138.5 cm 54 1/2"	147 cm 57 3/4"	155 cm 61"
B Upper arm circ.	38 cm 15"	40 cm 15 3/4"	41 cm 16 1/4"	42.5 cm 16 3/4"
C Armhole depth	20 cm 7 3/4"	21 cm 8 1/4"	23 cm 9"	24.5 cm 9 3/4"
D Hem circ.	153 cm 60 1/4"	162 cm 63 3/4"	171 cm 67 1/4"	180 cm 70 3/4"
E Body length (adjustable)	33 - 40 cm 13 - 15 3/4"			

Lace hem :

With larger needles, cast-on 240 (260 / 280 / 300 / 320 / 340 / 360 / 380 / 400) st with a stretchy cast-on method like the [German Twisted Cast-on](#).

(German Twisted Cast-on tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

As you cast-on, you can place stitch markers every 20 st to help you count. It will then make it easier to keep track of the lace.

Being careful not to twist the st, join to work in the round and PM for BOR (center back).

Knit 1 rnd.

Start working the lace hem motif. You will find a chart page 8 and written instructions page 9.

Work rnds 1 to 32 once then rnds 1 to 13 once more.

Body :

You can remove the lace repeat markers on the next round and only keep the BOR m.

next rnd : k60 (65 / 70 / 75 / 80 / 85 / 90 / 95 / 100), pm for side, k120 (130 / 140 / 150 / 160 / 170 / 180 / 190 / 200), pm for side, knit to end

A-line shaping :

rnds 1 to 11 : knit

rnd 12 : (knit to 3 st before m, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog) x2, knit to end (4 dec)

Work rnds 1 to 12 four more times (20 dec total).

220 (240 / 260 / 280 / 300 / 320 / 340 / 360 / 380) st

Continue in stockinette, knitting every round, until the body measures 33 to 40 cm – 13" to 15 ¾" from cast-on edge (flatten the lace a little when measuring but don't over-stretch it).

Adjust the length to your height and

preference here : the armhole depth will add 17 (17 / 18 / 18.5 / 19 / 20 / 21 / 23 / 24.5) cm – 6 ¾ (6 ¾ / 7 / 7 ¼ / 7 ½ / 7 ¾ / 8 ¼ / 9 / 9 ¾)" from the shoulder.

Separate front and back :

knit to side m, remove side m, turn work, purl to BOR m, remove BOR m, purl to second side m, remove second side m.

These will be the st for the back. Place the remaining half on hold.

Back :

Continue in stockinette, knitting RS rows and purling WS rows, until the back measures 14 (14 / 15 / 15.5 / 16 / 17 / 18 / 20 / 21.5) cm – 5 ½ (5 ½ / 5 ¾ / 6 / 6 ¼ / 6 ¾ / 7 / 7 ¾ / 8 ½)" from the armhole separation. End with a RS row.

Shoulders :

If you have never knit German short rows, here is a [helpful tutorial](#) on how to make Double Stitches.

(German short-rows tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

row 1 (WS) : purl to last 4 st, turn

row 2 (RS) : DS, knit to last 4 st, turn

row 3 : DS, purl to 3 st before DS, turn

row 4 : DS, knit to 3 st before DS, turn

Work rows 3-4 three more times.

row 11 : DS, purl to end, closing all short rows by purling the DS normally

row 12 : k36 (39 / 43 / 47 / 51 / 55 / 58 / 62 / 66), bind-off next 38 (42 / 44 / 46 / 48 / 50 / 54 / 56 / 58) for neck, knit to end, closing all short-rows by knitting the DS normally

You will now work left and right shoulders separately.

Left shoulder :

row 1 (WS) : purl all st

row 2 (RS) : bind-off 4 st, knit to end

Work rows 1-2 one more time.

row 5 : purl all st

row 6 : bind-off 2 st, knit to end

26 (29 / 33 / 37 / 41 / 45 / 48 / 52 / 56) st

row 7 : purl all st

row 8 : knit all st

Work rows 7-8 twice more.

Cut yarn and place st on hold.

Right shoulder :

Join yarn on the WS at the neckline edge.

row 1 (WS) : purl all st

row 2 (RS) : knit all st

row 3 : bind-off 4 st, purl to end

Work rows 2-3 one more time.

row 6 : knit all st

row 7 : bind-off 2 st, purl to end

26 (29 / 33 / 37 / 41 / 45 / 48 / 52 / 56) st

row 8 : knit all st

row 9 : purl all st

Work rows 8-9 one more time, then work row 8 once more.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for the shoulder seam.

Place st on hold.

Front :

Join yarn on the RS at the left armhole.

Work in stockinette, knitting RS rows and purling WS rows, until the front measures 9 (9 / 10 / 10 / 11 / 12 / 13 / 15 / 16.5) cm – 3 ½ (3 ½ / 4 / 4 / 4 ¼ / 4 ¾ / 5 ¼ / 6 / 6 ½)" from the armhole separation.

End with a WS row.

Neck shaping :

next row (RS) : k34 (37 / 41 / 45 / 49 / 53 / 56 / 60 / 64), bind-off next 42 (46 / 48 / 50 / 52 / 54 / 58 / 60 / 62) for neck, knit to end

You will now work right and left front separately.

Right front :

row 1 (WS) : purl all st

row 2 (RS) : k2, ssk, knit to end (1 dec)

Work rows 1-2 seven more times (8 dec total).

26 (29 / 33 / 37 / 41 / 45 / 48 / 52 / 56) st

Shoulder shaping :

row 1 (WS) : purl all st

row 2 (RS) : knit to last 4 st, turn

row 3 : DS, purl to end

row 4 : knit to 3 st before DS, turn

Work rows 3-4 two more times.

row 9 : DS, purl to end

row 10 : knit all st, closing all short-rows by knitting the DS normally

Continue in stockinette, knitting RS rows and purling WS rows, until the front and back shoulder lengths match. It's helpful to count those rows so you will be able to replicate them for the left shoulder.

End with a RS row.

Cut yarn and place st on hold.

Left front :

Join yarn on the WS at the neckline.

row 1 (WS) : purl all st

row 2 (RS) : knit to last 4 st, k2tog, k2 (1 dec)

Work rows 1-2 seven more times (8 dec total).

26 (29 / 33 / 37 / 41 / 45 / 48 / 52 / 56) st

Shoulder shaping :

row 1 (WS) : purl to last 4 st, turn
row 2 (RS) : DS, knit to end
row 3 : purl to 3 st before DS, turn

Work rows 2-3 two more times.

row 8 : DS, knit to end
row 9 : purl all st, closing all short-rows by purling the DS normally
row 10 : knit all st

Continue in stockinette, knitting RS rows and purling WS rows, until the front and back shoulder lengths match (same number of rows than for the right shoulder).
End with a RS row.

Do not cut your yarn.

Join shoulders :

Flip the sweater inside out so you are looking at the WS.

With the yarn still attached to the front left shoulder, place the corresponding back shoulder st on another needle. Using the [three-needle bind-off method](#), join front and back shoulders together.

(3-needle bind-off tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

When you have 1 st left, thread working yarn through it and fasten off.

Place the st from the right shoulders back on two needles. With the long tail you left attached to the back right shoulder, repeat the three-needle bind-off method for this side.

Neckline :

From the RS of the top, using smaller needles and beginning at right shoulder seam, pick up and knit
13 st from right back curve,
32 (34 / 34 / 36 / 36 / 38 / 40 / 42 / 44) st from back neckline,
13 st from left back curve,

20 st along left front,
34 (36 / 36 / 38 / 38 / 40 / 42 / 44 / 46) from front neckline
and 20 st along right front.

Join to work in the round and pm for BOR.

132 (136 / 136 / 140 / 140 / 144 / 148 / 152 / 156) st

note : if you pick up a different number of st, make sure you have a multiple of 4.

Here is a [video tutorial](#) showing you how to work the slipped wrap used in the ribbing.
<https://youtu.be/3spjGrEe5R8>

rnds 1 to 5 : *k1tbl, p1* to end

rnd 6 : *sl.wp, p1* to end

rnds 7 to 9 : *k1tbl, p1* to end

Loosely bind-off all st in pattern.

Sleeves :

From the RS, using larger needles and starting at the underarm, pick up and knit 84 (84 / 86 / 88 / 92 / 94 / 98 / 100 / 104) st.

Continue in stockinette, knitting every round, until sleeve measures 8 cm – 3".

decrease rnd : k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 st, ssk, k1 (2 dec)

Continue in stockinette, repeating the decrease rnd every 1.5 cm – 1/2" 15 (15 / 14 / 15 / 15 / 16 / 18 / 17 / 19) more times.

52 (52 / 56 / 56 / 60 / 60 / 60 / 64 / 64) st

Continue in stockinette, knitting every round, until sleeve measures 39 cm – 15 1/4" or 6 cm – 2 1/4" less than desired length.

If you wish to modify the sleeve shaping, make sure to get a multiple of 4 st for the cuff.

Cuff :

Change to smaller needles.

rnds 1 to 8 : *k1tbl, p1* to end

rnd 9 : *sl.wp, p1* to end

rnds 10 to 16 : *k1tbl, p1* to end

rnd 17 : *sl.wp, p1* to end

rnds 18 to 22 : *k1tbl, p1* to end

Loosely bind-off all st in pattern.

Repeat for second sleeve.

Finishing :

Weave in all ends and block the sweater.

Open the body in width to accentuate the A-line shape.

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rnd 1 : *k5, p9, k5, p1* to end

rnd 2 : *yo, k2, ssk, k1, p9, k1, k2tog, k2, yo, p1* to end

rnd 3 : *k1, yo, k2, ssk, p9, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, p1* to end

rnd 4 : *k2, yo, k2, ssk, p7, k2tog, k2, yo, k2, p1* to end

rnd 5 : *k3, yo, k2, ssk, p5, k2tog, k2, yo, k3, p1* to end

rnd 6 : *k4, yo, k2, ssk, p3, k2tog, k2, yo, k4, p1* to end

rnd 7 : *k5, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k5, p1* to end

rnd 8 : *yo, k2, ssk, k5, p1, k5, k2tog, k2, yo, p1* to end

rnd 9 : *k1, yo, k2, ssk, k4, p1, k4, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, p1* to end

rnd 10 : *k2, yo, k2, ssk, k3, p1, k3, k2tog, k2, yo, k2, p1* to end

rnd 11 : *k3, yo, k2, ssk, k2, p1, k2, k2tog, k2, yo, k3, p1* to end

rnd 12 : *k4, yo, k2, ssk, k1, p1, k1, k2tog, k2, yo, k4, p1* to end

rnd 13 : repeat rnd 7

rnd 14 : *k2, yo, ssk, (k1tbl, p1) x5, k1tbl, k2tog, yo, k2, p1* to end

rnd 15 : *k4, (k1tbl, p1) x5, k1tbl, k4, p1* to end

rnd 16 : *ssk, yo, k1, yo, ssk, (p1, k1tbl) x4, p1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, k2tog, p1* to end

rnd 17 : *k5, (p1, k1tbl) x4, p1, k5, p1* to end

rnd 18 : *ssk, yo, k2, yo, ssk, (k1tbl, p1) x3, k1tbl, k2tog, yo, k2, yo, k2tog, p1* to end

rnd 19 : *k6, (k1tbl, p1) x3, k1tbl, k6, p1* to end

rnd 20 : *ssk, yo, k3, yo, ssk, (p1, k1tbl) x2, p1, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, k2tog, p1* to end

rnd 21 : *k7, (p1, k1tbl) x2, p1, k7, p1* to end

rnd 22 : *ssk, yo, k4, yo, ssk, k1tbl, p1, k1tbl, k2tog, yo, k4, yo, k2tog, p1* to end

rnd 23 : *k8, k1tbl, p1, k1tbl, k8, p1* to end

rnd 24 : *ssk, yo, k5, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, k2tog, p1* to end

rnd 25 : *k9, p1, k9, p1* to end

rnd 26 : *yo, ssk, yo, k1, s2kp, k1, yo, k2tog, yo, p1, yo, ssk, yo, k1, s2kp, k1, yo, k2tog, yo, p1* to end

rnd 27 : *k8, p3, k8, p1* to end

rnd 28 : *k1, yo, ssk, yo, s2kp, yo, k2tog, yo, p3, yo, ssk, yo, s2kp, yo, k2tog, yo, k1, p1* to end

rnd 29 : *k7, p5, k7, p1* to end

rnd 30 : *k2, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, p5, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k2, p1* to end

rnd 31 : *k6, p7, k6, p1* to end

rnd 32 : *k3, yo, s2kp, yo, p7, yo, s2kp, yo, k3, p1* to end

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