

Crocus

Summer Top Designed by Lene Tøsti



This top is worked top down. It has a lace knitted circular yoke, stockinette knitted body and ribbed hemline. There are several alternatives for waist shaping included in this pattern.

Sizes: XXS (XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL)

Finished measurements:

Bust: 69 (76, 84, 91, 99, 107, 114) cm/27.25 (30, 33, 35.75, 39, 42.25, 45)"

Waist:

Very fitted: 50 (57, 65, 72, 80, 88, 95) cm/19.75 (22.5, 25.5, 28.25, 31.5, 34.75, 37.5)"

Medium fitted: 56 (63, 71, 78, 86, 94, 101) cm/22 (24.75, 28, 33.75, 37, 39.75)"

Lightly fitted: 61.5 (68.5, 76.5, 83.5, 91.5, 99.5, 106.5) cm/24.25 (27, 30, 32.75, 36, 39.25, 42)"

Length from underarm: about 35 cm/13.75". Can easily be shortened or lengthened

Ease: 2.5-5 cm/1-2" of negative ease

Gauge: 21 sts in both stockinette stitch and lace pattern using 3.5 mm/US 4 needle measures 10 cm/4" across.

Needles: 3.5 mm/US 4 circular needle, or needle size required to obtain gauge. 3 mm/US 2.5 circular needle for the bands. Note: If you knit lace at a looser gauge than stockinette stitch, work the lace pattern with a smaller needle.

Yarn: Rowan Creative Linen (50% cotton, 50% linen, 100 m/219 yds, 50 g)

or Pt Pelini (50% cotton 50% linen, 102 m/112 yds, 50 g)

or Pt Petunia (100% cotton, 110 m/120 yds, 50 g) or a yarn of a similar weight (DK/8ply).

Yarn amounts: 200 (250) 250 (300) 300 (350) 350 g. For the very shaped version 50 g less might be enough. The top can easily be shortened if you have a smaller yarn amount.

Notions: 5 stitch markers and a yarn needle to weave in ends.



The top featured is worked in PT Petunia color 891.

It is a size S with very fitted body, worn with 2,5 cm/1" of negative ease

Abbreviations

Approx approximately

k knit

p purl

st(s) stitch(es)

rnd(s) round(s)

pm place marker

sm slip marker

k2tog knit 2 stitches together

ssk slip one knitwise, slip one knitwise, knit 2 together through the back loops

tbl through back loop

yo yarn over

kfb knit front and back

wyif with yarn in front

Tegnforklaring til diagrammene

□	Knit
–	Purl
○	Yarn over
/	k2tog
\	Ssk
λ	slip 1 st knitwise, k2tog, pass slipped st over
Δ	slip 2 sts knitwise together, knit 1, pass 2 slipped sts over
■	No stitch, skip this square
■	knit, until last repeat of pattern - move marker in front of this stitch so it becomes first st on next Round



Place markers to divide for raglan increase as follows (beg of rnd is adjusted to make sure there will be one leaf at the front center): Do not work sts, simply slip/count them and place markers. Start at the marker that marks the beg of rnd.

Slip 1 (6, 12, 1, 7, 12) 1 sts, pm for new beg of rnd,
 slip 63 (69, 73, 79, 83, 89, 95) sts for Back, pm,
 slip 33 (35, 39, 41, 45, 47, 49) sts for Right sleeve, pm,
 slip 63 (69, 73, 79, 83, 89, 95) sts for Front, pm,
 slip 32 (29, 27, 40, 38, 35, 48) sts for Left sleeve, remove marker that used to mark beg of rnd and knit remaining 1 (6, 12, 1, 7, 12, 1) sts to new beg of rnd marker.

On the next rnds, work in stockinette stitch on front and back, work in garter stitch on sleeves, and make raglan increases as follows:

Raglan rnd 1: *K1, yo, knit to 1 st before marker, yo, k1, sm; repeat from * to end.

Raglan rnd 2: Back: Knit all sts and knit yo's through back loop. Sleeve: Purl all sts and purl yo's through back loop. Front is worked as back, and second sleeve as first sleeve.

Raglan rnd 3: *K1, yo, k to 1 st before marker, yo, k1, sm; repeat from * to end.

For sizes M, L, XL and XXL, work raglan rnd 2 and 3 once more.

It is time to bind off sleeve stitches and cast on new stitches at the underarms. Before doing that, it might be a good idea to place all sts onto waste yarn or extra circular needle and try on the yoke to check length. Keep in mind that the new underarm stitches will measure approximately 2.5 (3.5, 5, 5, 7, 8, 9) cm / 1 (1.25, 2, 2, 2.75, 3.25, 3.5) ". If the yoke is too short, repeat raglan rnds 2 and 3 once or twice more but WITHOUT the yo's/increases!

Sleeve bind off: First, work back sts: K1, knit yo tbl, knit to next yo, knit yo tbl. 1 sts remains before marker. Sleeve sts will now be bound off purlwise, but in order to get a neat start to bind off, work as follows: Kfb in last st before marker. Remove marker. *P1, bind off 1 by passing 2nd st on right needle over 1st st; repeat from * purling yo's tbl, until next marker. Remove marker. K1, bind off 1 by passing 2nd st on right needle over the 1st st, knit yo tbl, knit to next yo, knit yo tbl. 1 st remains before marker. Bind off second sleeve in the same way.

Next rnd: Knit to bound off sts. Turn work so WS is facing you. To make a neat start on cable cast on work as follows: Slip 1 purlwise wyif, move yarn to the back between the needles, slip the st on right needle back to left needle. Cast on new sts using cable cast on: *Insert right needle between first two sts on left needle, wrap yarn around right needle knitwise, and pull the loop back through to the front, and slip the loop onto the left needle; repeat from * until you have cast on 6 (8, 12, 12, 16, 18, 20) new sts. Make sure the cast on is not too tight. Turn work. Slip 1st st on right needle to left needle and knit 2 together (last CO st and first front st are knitted together to make a neat end of cast on). Now, you have 5 (7, 11, 11, 15, 17, 19) new sts at underarm. Knit all front sts and CO new sts at the second underarm in the same way, placing a marker on both sides of the center st of second underarm to mark new beginning of rnd.

Now, you have 144 (160, 176, 192, 208, 224, 240) sts on needle.

Body

Continue in stockinette stitch. After a few rounds on the body, it might be a good idea to transfer the stitches onto a length of waste yarn or several circular needles so that you can try it on to check the fit around the arms. If the sleeves stitches are bound off too tightly, or the new stitches under the arm are cast on too tightly, the fit might be too tight. It is easier to unravel and correct now instead of when the top is finished.

Now it is time to decide what silhouette you want on the body.

Straight body

Continue in stockinette stitch until top measures 4 cm/1.5" less than preferred length, change to smaller needles and work band pattern.

If you have a limited yarn amount and want to work until you are out of yarn, you can calculate when you change for the band pattern in one of these ways:

If you are using 50 g balls, count how many rounds on the body you have worked with the previous 50 g ball. The band pattern has 13 rounds and you need to calculate yarn for the bind off. Therefore you should start the band pattern when you have worked approx 15 rounds less than you did with the previous ball.

If you are working with two 100 g balls, this first method will not work. But what you can do is weigh the ball, work 15 rounds and weigh the ball again, and then calculate how many grams you have used. The result is the yarn amount you will need for the band and bind off. Weigh the ball as you work and begin the band when you have the required yarn amount you need for the band pattern and bind off left.

Fitted body

The fitted body is shaped by decreasing on back and front and then increasing again. You will find three suggestions for shaping the body which will make the body respectively 19 cm/7.5", 13 cm/5" and 7.5 cm/3" narrower at waist. You can also adjust the number of decreases to fit your own body shape. You decrease 4 sts per decreasing rnd, every decrease rnd makes the body approx 1.9 cm/0.75" narrower.

The decreasing begins 5 cm/2" after the body sleeve divide. Continue to decrease until there is 14 cm/5.5" from body sleeve divide. Then work 5 cm/2" even without decreasing and then increase over 9 cm/3.5" again. If you have a shorter or longer torso, adjust the length measurements so that the body will fit you.

Place marker as follows: Begin by working stitch with marker at side.

Then knit 19 (21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31) sts, pm,

knit 33 (37, 41, 45, 49, 53, 57) sts, pm,

knit 39 (43, 47, 51, 55, 59, 63) sts, pm,

knit 33 (37, 41, 45, 49, 53, 57) sts, pm,

knit 19 (21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31) sts.

Now, you have two markers at back and two markers at front.

Work decreases outside of markers as follows: *Knit to 2 sts before marker, ssk, sm, knit to next marker, sm, k2tog; rep from *. 4 sts dec'd.

Work increases outside of markers as follows: *Knit to marker, yo, sm, knit to next marker, sm, yo; rep from *.

Work next round as follows: *Knit to first yo, work yo knit through back loop, knit to next yo, twist yo towards right hand (turn yarn over and knit it through front loop); repeat from *. 4 sts inc'd.

Very fitted body

The decreases begin when the body measures approx 5 cm/2" from body sleeve divide. (Note: If you have a larger bust, you should work until you have passed the fuller part of the bust with approx 1 cm/0.5" before you begin decreasing on the fronts and place the decreases at the front closer down towards the waist.) Repeat decreasing round every 1 cm/0.5" until you have decreased a total of 10 times. Now, you have 104 (120, 136, 152, 168, 184, 200) sts. Then work approx 5 cm/2" evenly without decreases. Work 1 increasing rnd. Rep increasing rnd every 1 cm/0.5" until you have increased a total of 10 times. Work 1 cm/0.5" in stockinette st or until top is approx. 4 cm/1.5" shorter than preferred length. Change to smaller needles and work band pattern.

Medium fitted body

The decreases begin when the body measures approx 5 cm/2" from body sleeve divide. (Note: If you have a larger bust, you should work until you have passed the fuller part of the bust with approx 1 cm/0.5" before you begin decreasing on the fronts and place the decreases at the front closer down towards the waist.)

Rep decreasing rnd every 1.5 cm/0.5" until you have decreased a total of 7 times. Now, you have 116 (132, 148, 164, 180, 196, 212) sts. Then work approx 5 cm/2" evenly without decreases. Work 1 increasing rnd. Rep increasing rnd every 1.5 cm/0.5" until you have increased a total of 7 times. Work 1 cm/0.5" in stockinette st or until top is approx. 4 cm/1.5" shorter than preferred length. Change to smaller needles and work band pattern.

Lightly fitted body

The decreases begin when the body measures approx 5 cm/2" from body sleeve divide. (Note: If you have a larger bust, you should work until you have passed the fuller part of the bust with approx 1 cm/0.5" before you begin decreasing on the fronts and place the decreases at the front closer down towards the waist.)

Rep decreasing rnd every 3 cm/1.25" until you have decreased a total of 4 times. Now, you have 128 (144, 160, 176, 192, 208, 224) sts. Then work approx 5 cm/2" evenly without decreases. Work 1 increasing rnd. Rep increasing rnd every 3. cm/1.25" until you have increased a total of 4 times. Work 1 cm/0.5" in stockinette st or until top is approx. 4 cm/1.5" shorter than preferred length. Change to smaller needles and work band pattern.

Band pattern

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Bottom rib edge (rnds 4-13) can be worked shorter or longer according to your preference.

Bind off in rib; k1, p1.