

DEIMA'S V-CARDI

Yarn: 2 strands Lurex from Lammy yarns (shown in color 01) or

1 strand Luxury Silk from Laines du nord (shown in color 14)

Gauge: 18 sts x 23 rows = 10 x 10 cm in stockinette stitch

Recommended needles: circular needle 5,5 mm (80 cm)

Sizes: 1 (2) 3 (4)

Yarn total: 5 (6) 6 (7) skeins Lurex or 350 (350) 400 (450) gr

Luxury Silk

Width: 48 cm (52 cm) 55 cm measured flat from pit to pit

Materials: 5 x hooks and eyes from Prym

TIP: Remember to make a gauge swatch to ensure you end up with a cardigan in the right size.

This cardigan is knitted from the top down, starting from the neckline on the back. From here you knit down to the armhole, and then you pick up stitches on each side of the back piece and create the front pieces of the cardigan. The v-cut is formed on the front pieces and finally the body of the cardigan is knit together.

Stitches are picked up on along the arm opening, and each sleeve is created with short rows and finished with a simple i-cord, like the remaining edges of the cardigan.



Start

Cast on 68 (68) 70 (72) stitches, with 2 strands Lurex/1 strand Luxury Silk on needle 5.5 mm (80 cm). Knit stockinette stitch back and forth (knit on the right side, purl on the wrong side) until your work measures 11 (12) 13 (14) cm.

From the next row on the right side, you will need to make increases to create the armholes on each side of your back piece: *knit 1, M1L, knit until there is 1 stitch left, M1R, knit 1. Purl the next row*.

Repeat *-* 6 times, so that a total of 12 stitches have been added and you now have 80 (80) 82 (84) stitches on the needle. Put the stitches on hold.

Front piece - right side

Pick up 14 (14) 16 (17) stitches along the cast-on edge on the right side of the back piece (this will create the right shoulder seam, when wearing the cardigan)

Knit back and forth in stockinette stitch, until the front piece measures 7 (7) 8 (8) cm. Now you will begin to create the v-neckline by knitting increases.

Knit until there are 2 stitches left on the needle, M1R, knit the last two stitches. Purl 1 row. Repeat *-* a total of 16 times, until you have 30 (30) 32 (33) stitches on the needles.

You are now finished with increases for the v-neck. Now you need to make increases on the other side of the front piece for the armholes.

Knit 1, M1L, knit the rest of the row. Purl 1 row. Repeat *-* a total of 6 (6) 6 (7) times, until you have 36 (36) 38 (40) stitches on your needle. Put the stitches on hold.

Front piece - left side

Pick up 14 (14) 16 (17) stitches at the opposite end of the cast-on edge of the back piece. Knit back and forth in stockinette until the front piece measures 7 (7) 8 (8) cm, knit increases for v-neck on the next row from the right side.

Knit 2 stitches, M1L, knit the rest of the row. Purl 1 row.

Repeat * - * a total of 16 times, until you have 30 (30) 32 (33) stitches on your needle.

Now you need to make increases on the other side of the front piece for the armholes.

Knit until there is 1 stitch left on the needle, M1R, knit 1. Purl 1 row. Repeat *-* a total of 6 (6) 6 (7) times, until you have 36 (36) 38 (40) stitches on your needle.



Note; that it is deliberate that the front pieces are longer than the back piece, this is to avoid the back piece coming up too far to sit on the neck.

Put all the stitches for the front pieces and the back piece on the same circular needles in the right order.

Body

On the next row from the right side, knit over all the stitches on the left front piece, make 4 (4) 5 (5) additional stitches, by using the backward loop cast on method, knit the 80 (80) 82 (84) stitches of the back piece, make 4 (4) 5 (5) backward loop stitches, knit the last 36 (36) 38 (40) stitches, the right front piece. From here, the body is knitted back and forth.

Knit until the body measures 29 (30) 31 (31) cm, from the backward loop stitches under the sleeves to the stitches on your needles. Put the stitches on hold until the i-cord finish is to be made at the end.

Sleeves

Pick up 48 (50) 52 (54) stitches along the armhole opening starting between the 4 (4) 5 (5) backward loop stitches. Place a

stitch marker on your needle, right by the shoulder seam (where the stitches for the front piece was picked up).

Knit to the stitch marker, and from here the sleeve is knitted back and forth, adding a new stitch from each side on every row.

Knit the first 6 (6) 8 (8) stitches after the stitch marker, turn the work and purl over 7 (7) 9 (9) stitches (the stitch marker can be removed from here), turn and knit over 8 (8) 10 (10) stitches. Repeat this, adding 1 stitch more than the previous row until there are 6 (6) 8 (8) stitches left on the needles, that have yet to be included in the sleeve.

From here the sleeve is knitted in the round.

Knit until the sleeve measures 66 (68) 69 (70) cm from the vshoulder edge to the stitches on the needle.

The stitches on the sleeve are finished with an i-cord edge: Cast on 2 stitches (on your right needles). * knit 1, knit 2 together through the back loop, slip 2 stitches back on left needle*. Repeat * - * until all the stitches have been knitted.

There are now 2 stitches on the left needle, lift the first stitch over the second, break the yarn and pull it through.

Pick up stitches for the opposite sleeve in the same way, and place a stitch marker at the shoulder seam, between the front



and back pieces. Knit until the marker, turn the work and purl the first 6 (6) 8 (8) stitches, turn the work and from here follow the instructions for the first sleeve to finish the second one.



I-cord edges

Starting at the bottom of the left side of the cardigan (when it is lying flat in front of you), knit up stitches along the entire left side, over the back piece, and down the right side and gather together with the stitches resting at the bottom of the cardigan. Knit up 1 stitch in each row, skipping every third row. From here, knit the i-cord edge all the way around along the opening and the bottom of the cardigan.

Finally, 5 hooks and eyes are sewn in, the first one just after the last increase stitch on each side in the v-neck and the last 4 evenly distributed down the length of the cardigan.

TIP: this style can also be made as a top if you do not knit the sleeves.

Happy knitting!

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