

friday knits

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED PATTERN



TOP NO. 6

cloise top

SIZES

XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL)

71-76 (81-86) 91.5-96.5 (101.5-106.5) 111.5-117 (122-127) 132-137,
(142-147) cm / 28-30 (32-34) 36-38 (40-42) 44-46 (48-50) 52-54, (56- 58)
inches.

YARN

Sample 1 (White) made in size XS with Drops Kid Silk Mohair (25% Silk, 75% Mohair, 210 metres/229 yards YARN A), and Drops Baby Merino (100% wool, 174 metres / 191 yards)

YARN A: 2 (2) 2 (3) 3 (3) 4 (4) skeins required or approximately 302 (344) 410 (454) 499 (545) 654 (703) metres / 330 (376) 448 (496) 545 (596) 715 (768) yards of lace weight yarn.

YARN B*: 4 (5) 6 (6) 7 (8) 8 (10) skeins are required, **or** approximately 286 (334) 355 (387) 422 (449) 467 (550) metres / 309 (365) 388 (423) 461.5 (491) 510.5 (601.5) yards of DK weight yarn or sport weight held together with Mohair.

*Note: This is to work the length as shown in 'b.' under measurements.

SUGGESTED NEEDLES

- 3.75 mm [US 5] circular needles 40, 80/100 cm **or** size to obtain gauge.
- 3.5 mm [US 4] circular needles 80/100 cm for the hem.
- 3 mm [US 2.5] circular needles 20 or 40 cm for sleeve i-cord.
- 3.75mm [F] crochet hook for the provisional CO.

NOTIONS

- Yarn Needle
- 6 removable markers
- 1 button (10mm)
- Scrap Yarn for provisional CO.

GAUGE

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Correct gauge is important to get the same finished measurements as listed in the pattern.

YARN A (mohair): 20 sts and 28 rows = 10cm / 4" in stockinette st on 3.75 mm [US 5] needles, blocked.

YARN B: 22 sts and 32 rows = 10 cm / 4" in stockinette st on 3.75 mm [US 5] needles, blocked.



MEASUREMENTS

Size Guide

The Eloise Top is intended to be worn with a negative ease of approximately 0-5 cm / 0-2" built in. The sizes are based on a bust circumference of approx. 71-76 (81-86) 91.5-96.5 (101.5-106.5) 111.5-117 (122-127) 132-137, (142-147) cm / 28-30 (32-34) 36-38 (40-42) 44-46 (48-50) 52-54, (56- 58) inches.

Measure yourself before beginning to ensure that you choose the right size. For example: Your bust circumference is 86 cm / 34 inches, work a size S. If you are in between two sizes, I suggest sticking with your usual size because the negative ease it is built in (refer to finished garment measurements). As the top has ribbing, it is stretchy and will expand with use.

Finished Garment Measurements

a. Bust: 71 (81) 91.5 (101.5) 111.5 (122) 132 (142) cm / 28 (32) 36 (40) 44 (48) 52 (56) inches finished bust measurement; garment is meant to be worn with 0-2" of negative ease.

b. Length (from mid back neck to hem): 44.5 (46) 46 (48) 48 (51) 52 (52) cm / 17.5 (18) 18 (19) 19 (20) 20.5 (20.5) inches.

c. Length of YARN A section from shoulder to top of bust: 16.5 (17) 19 (20) 20 (21.5) 23 (23) cm / 6.5 (6.75) 7.5 (8) 8 (8.5) 9 (9) inches.



ABBREVIATIONS AND TECHNIQUES

k: knit

p: purl

st(s): stitches

RS: right side

WS: wrong side

BOR: Beginning of round

sm: slip marker

CO: cast on

pm: place marker

BO: Bind Off

RHN: Right hand needle

LHN: Left hand needle

***_*:** repeat from * to *

m1L: make one left; insert the left-hand needle from front to back, under the bar between the stitches (thus lifting it onto the left-hand needle). Knit this bar through the back loop (this twists it into a nice little tight loop).

m1R: make one right; Insert the left-hand needle from back to front, under the bar between the stitches (thus lifting it onto the left-hand needle). Knit this bar through the front loop (this twists it into a nice little tight loop).

k2tog: k the next 2 sts together

ssk: slip, slip, knit; slip the first stitch k wise, slip the next st p wise, k both sts together through the back loop.

sl1pwyif: slip 1 st p wise with the working yarn in front.

i-cord bind off: CO 3 sts using the knitted CO, *k2, k2tog-tbl, slip 3 sts back to left needles* to last 3 sts, bind off these sts normally.

double st: after working a short row turn, your sts will look like it has 2 legs.

German Short Rows: Work the required number of sts, then turn work. Slip 1 stitch purl wise with yarn in front. Bring yarn over to the back and pull your working yarn firmly up and over the right needle. This is referred to as 'pull yarn' in the pattern. The stitch pulled should appear as a 'double stitch' (it will have 2 'legs'). If next working row is a purl, bring the yarn to the front between the needles. If the next working row is a knit, keep yarn as is after pull. 5. Work in pattern as directed to the end of the row. When you encounter a German Short Row stitch on the next row, work the both legs of the 'double stitch' together as one stitch.

VIDEO TUTORIALS

Video tutorials are available as clickable links throughout sections of the pattern. They can be identified as [Video Tutorial: link.](#)

NOTES

Popcorn Pattern

The popcorn pattern is an 8 row pattern with popcorn stitches worked on every 4th row (popcorn row). The pattern count is *k5, popcorn st*. When working in pattern, you will have to keep track of your rows and sts after working increases/decreases. Refer to chart.

Popcorn Stitch

In your next stitch, k1, p1 3 times in the same stitch, k1 through the back loop. Pass the 2nd stitch from the right needle over the first x6.

CONSTRUCTION

The Eloise Top is worked flat, beginning from the mid back and up to the shoulders, stitches are bound off for the neckline and the shoulders continue down the front to above the bust. Stitches are then cast on for the rest of the body, which is worked in the round. Sleeves are picked up and worked in the round with short rows and finished with an i-cord. The neckline is finished with an applied i-cord.

PATTERN

Note: Read each section in full before beginning as some techniques are worked at the same time as other techniques.

BACK

With your scrap yarn and crochet hook, CO 60 (66) 72 (84) 90 (102) 114 (126) sts using a provisional CO. *I suggest using a linen/cotton/bamboo yarn so the fibres don't stick too much to the mohair when picking up sts later.*

Video Tutorial: Provisional CO

Using the single strand of mohair (YARN A), begin decreases as follows:

ROW 1 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 2 (RS): k2, ssk, k to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

Now we will begin the set up for the popcorn stitch pattern:

ROW 3 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 4 (RS): k2, ssk, work a popcorn, *k5, popcorn; repeat to last 5 sts, k1, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased).

SIZE XS: From here, stop decreasing and continue on to the 'POPCORN PATTERN' section.

56 sts total.

ROW 5 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 6 (RS): k2, ssk, k to 4 sts before the end, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

ROW 7 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 8 (RS): k2, ssk, k1, work a popcorn, *K5, popcorn; repeat to last 6 sts, k2, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

Now the 2 popcorn st rows are established, use the chart to count when to work your popcorn sts as you decrease. Refer to your chart from here to count when to work your sts.

SIZE S (M): From here, stop decreasing and continue on to the 'POPCORN PATTERN' section.

58 (64) sts total.

SIZE L (XL) 2XL:

Continue decreasing and maintaining the popcorn stitch rows as below:

ROW 9 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 10 (RS): k2, ssk, k to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

ROW 11 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 12 (RS): k2, ssk, work popcorn st pattern to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

ROW 13 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 14 (RS): k2, ssk, k to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

SIZE L (XL) 2XL: From here, stop decreasing and continue on to the 'POPCORN PATTERN' section.

70 (76) 88 sts total.

SIZE 3XL (4XL):

Continue decreasing and maintaining the popcorn stitch rows as below:

ROW 10 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 11 (RS): k2, ssk, k to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

ROW 12 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 13 (RS): k2, ssk, work popcorn st pattern to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

Repeat rows 10-13 once more.

98 (110) sts total.

POPCORN PATTERN**XS (S) M (3XL) 4XL**

Stop decreases and continue working in pattern where you work the popcorn sts every fourth row (refer to chart).

Continue working in pattern as below:

ROW 1 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 2 (RS): k to the end.

ROW 3 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 4 (RS): work popcorn st row.

L (XL) 2XL

Stop decreases and continue working in pattern where you work the popcorn sts every fourth row (refer to chart).

Continue working in pattern as below:

ROW 1 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 2 (RS): work popcorn st row.

ROW 3 (WS): p to the end.

ROW 4 (RS): k to the end.

Continue working these 4 rows until your piece measures 7.5 (7.5) 9 (9) 9 (9) 10 (10) cm / 3 (3) 3.5 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) inches, measuring from the CO edge and ending on any **RS** row. Take note of where you are in your popcorn pattern.

Sts are now split in half for the BACK LEFT SIDE and BACK RIGHT SIDE (when wearing) to work the keyhole style. The 3 sts along the inner side, are worked for the i-cord. If you have a popcorn st that falls in the i-cord sts, **do not** work it, but still include it in your count when working your popcorn row.

Begin with the BACK LEFT SIDE. You can place the BACK RIGHT SIDE sts on hold or keep them on the needle as you work.

SET UP ROW (WS): Work 28 (29) 32 (35) 38 (44) 49 (55) sts in pattern (BACK LEFT SIDE), place sts for the BACK RIGHT SIDE on hold.

BACK LEFT SIDE

RS: k1, sl1pwyif, k to the end.

WS: p to last 3 sts, sl1pwyif, k1, sl1pwyif.

Continue working the i-cord pattern, as well as working the popcorn pattern every 4th row, until your BACK LEFT SIDE measures 7.5 (7.5) 10 (10) 10 (11.5) 12.5 (12.5) cm / 3.5 (3.5) 4 (4) 4 (4.5) 5 (5) inches, measuring from the split, ending on a **WS**. Place sts on hold and cut yarn.

BACK RIGHT SIDE

Work the same for the other side beginning on the WS as follows:

RS: k to last 3 sts, k1, sl1pwyif, k1.

WS: sl1pwyif, k1, sl1pwyif, p to end.

Continue working until your piece measure the same as the other side, ending on a **WS**. Keep sts on your needle. You will no longer need to work the i-cord sts.

FRONTS

With the sts still on your needle, you will now continue working for the fronts, beginning with the FRONT RIGHT SIDE.

BIND OFF ROW

Sts are bound off for the back neckline, and sts for the shoulder are kept on hold as follows:

FRONT RIGHT SIDE

ROW 1 (RS): k 14 (15) 17 (20) 22 (28) 32 (37) sts, BO 14 (14) 15 (15) 16 (16) 17 (18) sts, cut yarn.

ROW 2 (WS): p to end.

Continue working sts in pattern for 2.5 (2.5) 2.5 (4) 4 (4) 4 (5) cm / 1 (1) 1 (1.5) 1.5 (1.5) 1.5 (2) inches, measuring from the bind off row.

NECKLINE INCREASES

Increases are now worked for the neckline. As your sts increase, take note of continuing to work your popcorn rows and popcorn sts.

ROW 3 (RS): k to 2 sts before the end, m1L, k2.

ROW 4 (WS): p to the end.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 for a total of 7 (7) 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (9) increases ending on a WS. Place sts on hold.

21 (22) 25 (28) 31 (37) 41 (46) sts total.

FRONT LEFT SIDE

Transfer sts for the LEFT SIDE onto your needle. With the RS facing you, bind off the sts for the back neckline first, then work sts for the front as follows:

RS: BO 14 (14) 15 (15) 16 (16) 17 (18) sts, k 14 (15) 17 (20) 22 (28) 32 (37) sts.

WS: p to the end.

Continue working sts in pattern for 2.5 (2.5) 2.5 (4) 4 (4) 4 (5) cm / 1 (1) 1 (1.5) 1.5 (1.5) 1.5 (2) inches, measuring from the bind off row.

NECKLINE INCREASES

Increases are now worked for the neckline. As your sts increase, take note of continuing to work your popcorn rows and popcorn sts.

ROW 3 (RS): k2, m1R, k to end.

ROW 4 (WS): p to the end.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 for a total of 7 (7) 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (9) increases ending on a WS.

21 (22) 25 (28) 31 (37) 41 (46) sts total.

Sts are now joined for the rest of the front.

Turn your work to the RS. With the sts still on the left needle, CO 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 16 (18) sts using the backwards loop method, cut yarn, transfer sts from the FRONT RIGHT SIDE onto your left needle.

56 (58) 64 (70) 76 (88) 98 (110) st total.

With the RS facing, continue working your popcorn pattern. Take note of where you are in your pattern.

RS: k to the end.

WS: p to the end.

RS: work popcorn stitch row.

WS: p to the end.

Work straight in pattern until the front measures the same length as the back (after the decreases), then begin increases along the armhole. (Remember when working up the back, sts were decreasing, now working down the front, they're increases to match the same sts as original CO).

RS: k2, m1R, k to 2 sts before end, m1L, k2.

WS: p to the end.

Continue working these 2 rows, remembering to continue working your popcorn pattern until you have 60 (66) 72 (84) 90 (102) 114 (126) sts on your needle. End on a WS, cut **YARN A**.

Now switch to **YARN B**, where the body will be joined and worked in the round. Markers will also be placed to mark your BOR and to work the short rows.

After working your last WS row for your fronts, you will have the RS facing you with the sts on your left needle. Sts are now cast on to join the body to work in the round. Your BOR will be located at the mid back (between your rib sts).

CO ROUND (RS): With YARN B, CO 4 (10) 14 (14) 18 (18) 16 (16) sts onto your RHN using the backwards loop method or any preferred method (right underarm sts), cut yarn, transfer 60 (66) 72 (84) 90 (102) 114 (126) sts (front sts) to your RHN, CO 4 (10) 14 (14) 18 (18) 16 (16) sts onto your RHN using backwards loop method or any preferred method (left underarm), cut yarn, now transfer 30 (33) 36 (42) 45 (51) 57 (63) sts (back sts) from the provisional CO to your RHN, pm (this is your BOR marker which marks your mid back), transfer the remaining back sts from the provisional CO onto your LHN.

128 (152) 172 (196) 216 (240) 260 (284) sts total.

With YARN B, the body is now worked in the round in pattern, with markers used to determine where to work your short rows. Place markers in your first round as follows:

MARKER ROUND: work in 1x1 rib (k1, p1) for 12 (12) 14 (16) 18 (18) 20 (22) sts, k 20 (26) 29 (33) 36 (42) 45 (49) sts, pm, k 32 (38) 43 (49) 54 (60) 65 (71) sts, pm (mid front), k 32 (38) 43 (49) 54 (60) 65 (71) sts, pm (left side), k 20 (26) 29 (33) 36 (42) 45 (49) sts, work in 1x1 rib (k1, p1) for 12 (12) 14 (16) 18 (18) 20 (22) sts.

Optional: You can also place markers for your ribbing to remember where to work.

ROUND 2

German Short Rows are now worked to shape the front and create the sweetheart neckline.

Video Tutorial: German Short Rows

SHORT ROWS for FRONT RIGHT (top)

STEP 1 (RS): Work to 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 8 sts before mid front marker, turn.

STEP 2 (WS): sl1pwyif, pull, p to 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 8 sts before right side marker, turn.

STEP 3 (RS): sl1pwyif, pull, k to 1 st after the previous double st, working the double st as you go, turn.

STEP 4 (WS): sl1pwyif, pull, p to 1 st after previous double st, working the double st as you go, turn.

Repeat steps 3 and 4 another 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (5) times, ending on a WS. There will be 2 sts remaining before each marker that are **not** worked as short row sts after working Step 5.

Step 5 (RS): sl1pwyif, pull, k to the mid front marker, working double sts together along the way, sm.

Now work **SHORT ROWS for FRONT LEFT (top)**

STEP 1 (RS): Work to 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 8 sts before the left side marker, turn.

STEP 2 (WS) sl1pwyif, pull, purl to 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 8 sts before mid front marker, turn.

STEP 3 (RS): sl1pwyif, pull, knit to 1 st after the previous double st, turn.

STEP 4 (WS): sl1pwyif, pull, purl to 1 sts after the previous double st, turn.

Repeat steps 3 and 4 another 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (5) times, ending on a WS. There will be 2 sts remaining before each marker that are **not** worked as short row sts after working Step 5.

Step 5 (RS): sl1pwyif, pull, work in pattern to the end of the round, working any double sts along the way, sm.

Continue working in pattern, in the round, working double sts together as you come to them (for the first round), for a total of 29 (29) 30 (32) 33 (34) 34 (35.5) cm / 11.5 (11.5) 12 (12.5) 13 (13.5) 13.5 (14) inches, measuring from the top of YARN A (measure from the back neckline). *Note: Work more or less in length to customise to you. Measure from the top of your neckline to the top of where waist begins to curve.*

WAIST SHAPING

Begin decrease shaping for the waist. *Note that if you've placed markers for the ribbing, you may work into the first k st of the rib pattern when you decrease.*

DECREASE ROUND:

Work 12 (12) 14 (16) 18 (18) 20 (22) sts 1x1 rib (k1, p1), k2tog, k to 13 (13) 15 (17) 19 (19) 21 (23) sts before the end of round, ssk, work in 1x1 rib (p1, k1) to the last st, p1.

NEXT ROUNDS: Work for 8 rounds **or** 2.5 cm / 1 inch in stockinette st. Repeat this decrease every 9th round two more time for a total of 3 decrease rounds.

Continue working in pattern until your piece measures a total of 44.5 (46) 46 (48) 48 (51) 52 (52) cm / 17.5 (18) 18 (19) 19 (20) 20.5 (20.5) inches, or desired length. *Tip: measure from the top of the back neck (YARN A)*

CUSTOMISE LENGTH

This measurements above will create a more cropped look for your piece (sitting at just below your belly button). If you will to work further and make a longer top, make sure to increase again to accomodate the shaping below the waist. I suggest trying on to see where you prefer i.e. I have a long torso so I tend to work more length before increasing.

HEM

When you have reached your desired length, the next round will bind off the 1x1 rib sts only. This round will also set up your p row to use as a guide to fold your hem up when seaming later.

BIND OFF ROUND:

Bind off 12 (12) 14 (16) 18 (18) 20 (22) sts in 1x1 rib (I use Jeny's Surprisingly stretchy bind off), **p** to the last 12 (12) 14 (16) 18 (18) 20 (22) sts, bind off in 1x1 rib. Cut yarn.

Now switch to you 3.5mm needles, turn work and continue working back and forth in stockinette st for another 2.5 cm / 1 inch as follows:

(WS): p to the end of the row.

(RS): k to the end of the row.

End on a WS.

Cut off a long tail for seaming. Fold the hem (along the p row) with the WS facing the WS, and with your yarn needle, pick up the first live st on the needle k wise, then seam into a p st on the wrong side.

Video Tutorial: Hem Seaming

SLEEVES

Popcorn rounds for the sleeve are worked the same as on the back and front. When you work your first popcorn on a short row, count in a pattern of 6 sts beginning from the BOR. Both sleeves are worked the same and the front/back will change depending on which sleeve you are working. Sleeves are worked with **YARN A**.

ROUND 1 (RS): Beginning at the mid underarm, pick up and knit 2 (4) 4 (7) 7 (7) 8 (8) sts from the CO, 28 (29) 32 (32) 32 (38) 40 (44) sts up the front/back, pm (top marker), 28 (29) 32 (32) 32 (38) 40 (44) sts down the front/back, 2 (4) 4 (7) 7 (7) 8 (8) sts along underarm CO, pm (BOR marker).

SHORT ROW MARKERS

Place markers 10 (10) 12 (13) 13 (14) 14 (15) sts away from the top marker on the front and back (make sure they are removable markers). These markers will be where you work your short rows.

60 (66) 72 (78) 78 (90) 96 (104) sts total.

SHORT ROWS

STEP 1 (RS): k to your second short row marker, sm, k1, turn.

STEP 2 (WS): sl1wyif, pull yarn, bring yarn to the front and p to the next short row marker, sm, p1, turn.

STEP 3 (RS): sl1wyif, pull yarn, k to the next short row marker, sm, k2, turn.

STEP 4 (WS): sl1wyif, pull yarn, bring yarn to the front and p to the next short row marker, sm, p2, turn.

STEP 5 (RS and popcorn row): sl1wyif, pull yarn, work in popcorn pattern to the next short row marker, sm, k3, turn.

Continue in this manner, working 1 st after each double st until you have 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 (4) 5 (5) sts remaining before the BOR marker, ending on a WS. REMEMBER to work the popcorn st pattern on your popcorn row.

(RS): sl1wyif, pull yarn, knit to the end of round.

Work in pattern in the round for approx 7.5 cm / 3 inches, measuring from the underarm, or desired length.

I-CORD BIND OFF

Switch to 3mm needles, work an i-cord bind off.

Video Tutorial: i-cord bind off

Work the same for the other sleeve.

NECKLINE

Sts are picked up along the neckline to create a 3 stitch i-cord finish. Using YARN A (mohair) and your larger needles, begin at the BACK LEFT SIDE as follows:

APPLIED I-CORD: With your larger needles, CO 3 sts onto your needle using a provisional CO, *pick up and k 1 st from the edge, transfer the 4 sts from your right needle to your left needle, k2, k2tog-tbl*. Repeat from * to * until you reach around the neckline to your BACK RIGHT SIDE. **Do not** bind off yet.

Video Tutorial: Applied i-cord.

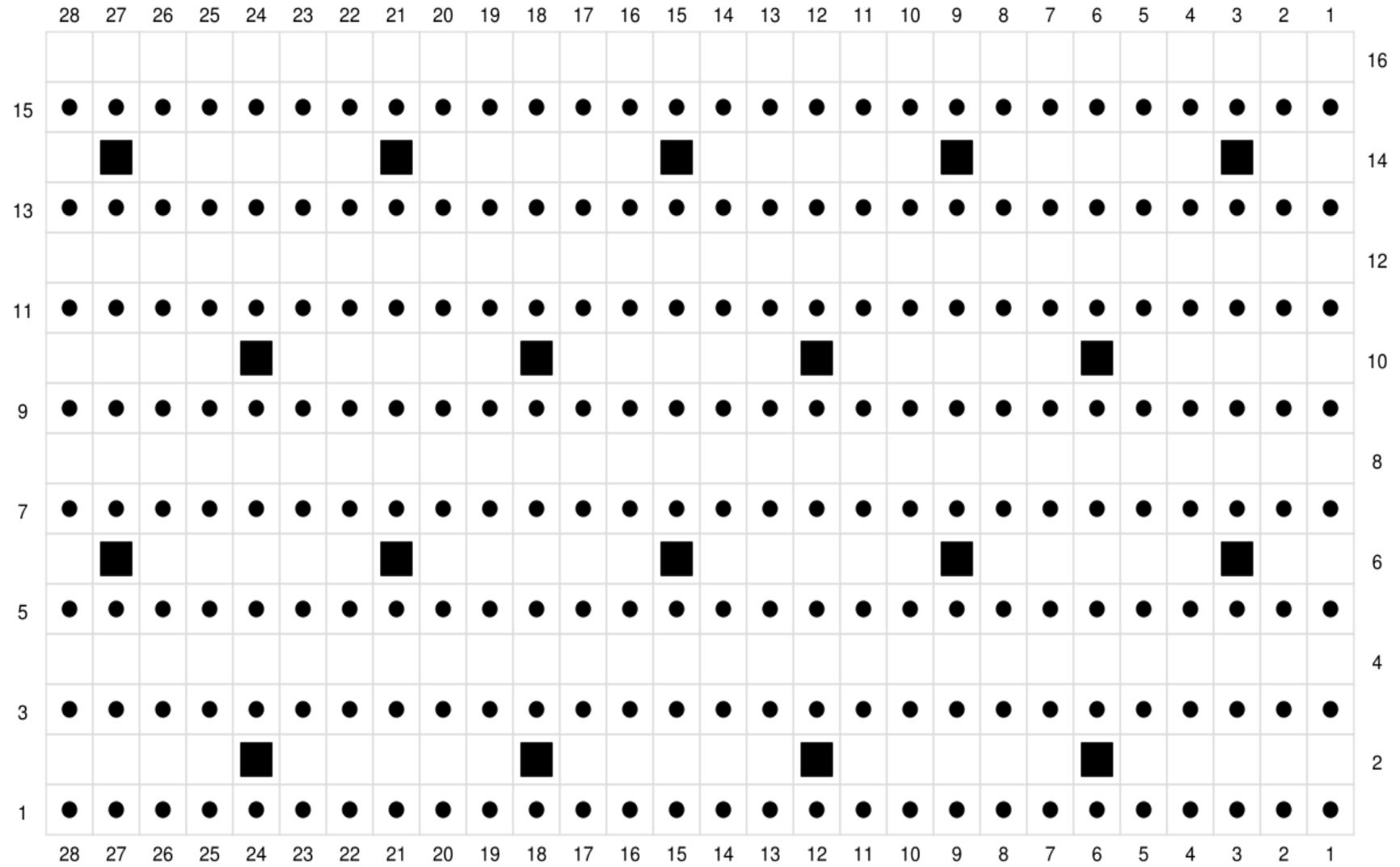
Now work an i-cord for another 1 cm / 0.5 inches as follows:

Transfer the 3 sts from your right needles to your left needle, k3. BO sts as normal.

Make a small loop and seam down the end of the i-cord edge. Seam the button onto the other side.

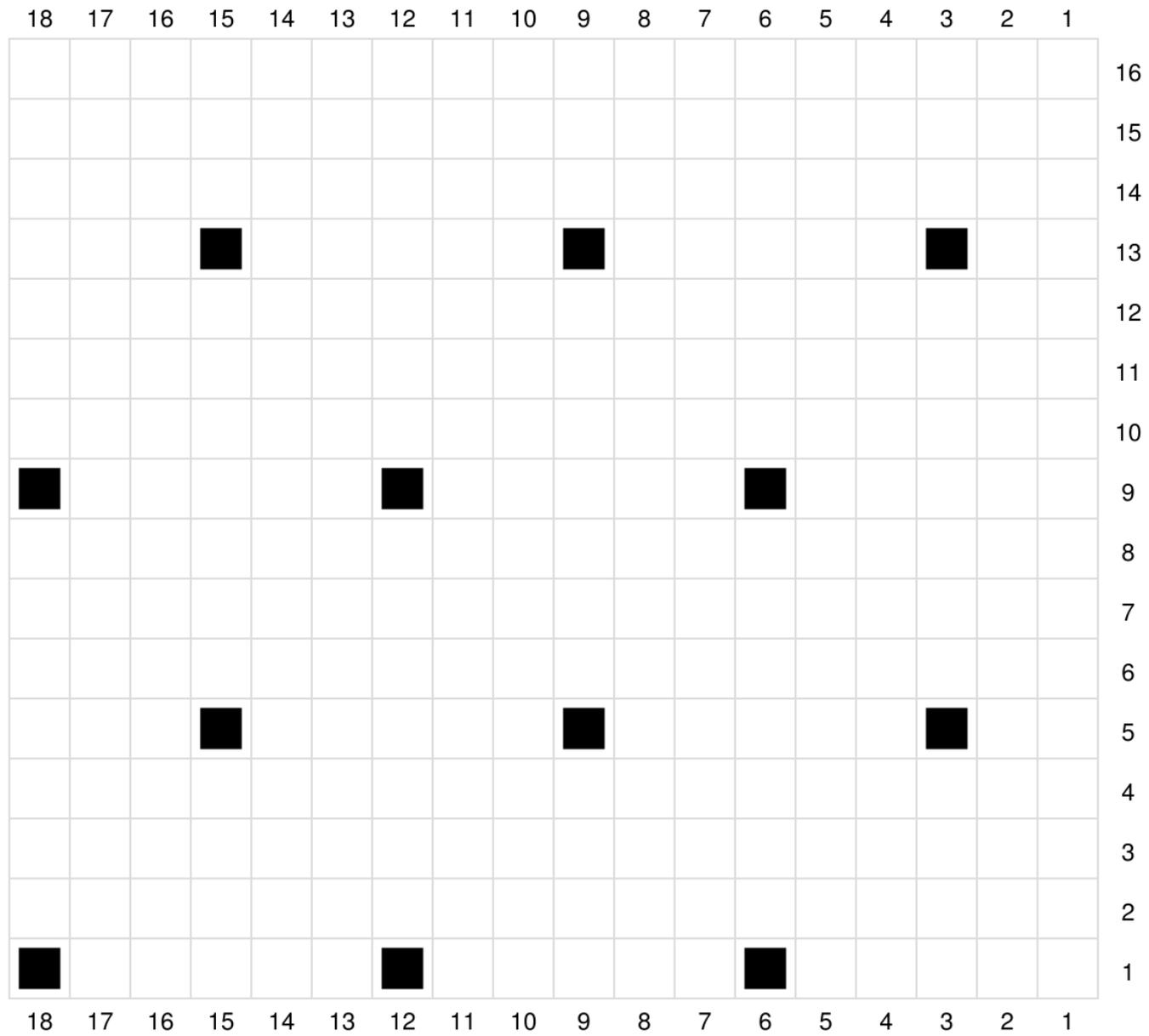
FINISHING

Weave in any loose ends, wash and block. Most testers wet blocked without issues. However if you get anxious about wetting mohair, I used a spray bottle for the top half and only dunked the bottom half to wet block.



- RS: Knit
WS: Purl
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WS: Knit
- Popcorn stitch

Popcorn stitch worked flat (front and back)



 Knit

 Popcorn Stitch

Popcorn stitch worked in the round (sleeves)



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