

Fischers Fritz by Isabell Kraemer



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Yarn

mYak Fior di Lino

50% Tibetan Cloud Wool, 35% Baby Yak, 15% Italian Linen [218 yds (200 m)/50 g] ; *shown in color Baltic Sea (MC) and Glacier (CC)*

approximately

MC:

585 (691, 815, 875, 985) yds

535 (632, 745, 800, 900) m

CC:

54 (71, 85, 86, 95) yds

49 (65, 78, 79, 87) m

Needles

US 2 1/2 (3 mm) 16" (40 cm) and 24" (60 cm) circular needle and preferred needle to work small circumferences in the round, for neck, body and sleeve ribbing.

US 3 (3.25 mm) 16" (40 cm) and 24" (60 cm) circular needle and preferred needle to work small circumferences in the round, for yoke, body and sleeves.

Gauge

24 sts x 35 rows = 4" (10 cm) square in Stockinette stitch on larger needle after blocking
24 sts x 31 rows = 4" (10 cm) square in stranded colorwork on larger needle after blocking

Sizes

2/4 yrs (4/6 yrs, 6/8 yrs, 8/10 yrs, 10/12 yrs)

finished chest circumference:

26.5 (28.5, 30.5, 32.5, 34.5)"

67 (73, 78, 83, 88) cm

see schematic on the last page for more measurements.

Materials

Smooth waste yarn and crochet hook for provisional cast on, stitch holders or waste yarn, stitch markers, tapestry needle, blocking tools.

Fischers Fritz features a fun and beautiful colorwork motif.

It is worked seamlessly from the top down, allowing you to adjust body length and sleeve length on the go, as well as making it easy to lengthen both body and sleeves afterwards in case your loved ones grow faster than you knit ;)

Knitting starts with a provisional cast-on for the neck, this makes it easy to adjust the neck width to match the recipients liking.

The yoke is then worked in the round to sleeve separation.

Increases are worked into the colorwork part of the yoke, followed by some short rows (to raise the back) and some raglan increases for the lower part of the yoke.

Sleeve stitches are placed on hold to work the body top down to the hem.

The sleeves are worked top down in rounds to the cuffs.

Neck ribbing is worked last.

The pattern includes optional instructions for doubled hem, cuffs and neck ribbing. The sample shows all ribbing (neck, hem, cuffs) folded in (doubled).

There are two fish motifs to choose from, one with the fish swimming downwards and one with the fish swimming upwards. You can mix and match these motifs as you like.

Abbreviations

1x1 Rib: (k1, p1) to end

BO: bind off

BOR: beginning of the round

CC: contrast color

circ: circumference

CO: cast on

dec: decrease

DS: double stitch (see German short rows)

inc: increase

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together (right leaning decrease)

kDS: knit double stitch (see German short rows)

m: marker

MC: main color

M1L: make one left (left leaning increase)

lift loop between stitches from front, knit into back loop

M1R: make one right (right leaning increase)

lift loop between stitches from back, knit into front loop

p: purl

pDS: purl double stitch (see German short rows)

pm: place marker

rnd(s): round(s)

RS: right side

sl m: slip marker

st(s): stitch(es)

ssk: slip 2 stitches, one at a time, knitwise to the right hand needle; return stitches to left hand needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (left leaning decrease)

WS: wrong side

(): repeat instructions in brackets

Special techniques and tips

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German short rows:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i_6PjI20zKA

On a RS row: Knit the number of stitches as stated in the pattern, turn work, bring yarn to front, slip the first stitch as if to purl, bring yarn over the needle to the back of your work and pull tight (this creates the double stitch = DS).

On a WS row: Purl the number of stitches as stated in the pattern, turn work, bring yarn to front, slip the first stitch as if to purl, bring yarn over the needle to the back of your work and pull tight (this creates the double stitch = DS).

Resolving double stitches: When working over double stitches treat them as a single stitch by knitting through both legs of the DS on a RS row (kDS) or purling through both legs of the DS on a WS row (pDS).

Long tail cast-on:

<https://www.purlsoho.com/create/long-tail-cast-on/>

Backwards loop cast-on method:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=goOVkdgv_ys

Color dominance:

<https://ysolda.com/blogs/journal/colour-dominance>

Catching floats:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajppfcE_HAA

Provisional crochet cast-on:

<https://stolenstitches.com/blogs/tutorials/provisional-cast-on-crochet-method>

Folding over hems/cuffs, sewing into place:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luq6_xwnwwU

Modification notes

Body and sleeves can be lengthened or shortened by working more or less rounds before starting the ribbing. Size can be adjusted by working more or less raglan increases after the colorwork or by adding stitches to/reducing the number of stitches at the underarm cast-on.

It is possible to start with a normal cast-on and work the neck ribbing first (see blue box, page 4)

Please note that any change will affect the yardage.

After increase/decrease rounds you will find totals to check your stitch count.



Instructions

Yoke

Using the shorter US 3 (3.25 mm) needle, crochet hook and smooth waste yarn, provisionally cast on 90 (90, 90, 96, 96) sts.

With MC yarn knit through provisional cast-on stitches, pm for BOR and join for working in the round.

BOR is at center of back.

If you prefer to start with the neck ribbing, CO 90 (90, 90, 96, 96) sts with MC yarn using the longtail cast-on and US 2 1/2 (3 mm) needle, place marker for BOR and work 8 (8, 8, 10, 10) rounds in 1x1 Rib. Change to US 3 (3.25 mm) needle.

Rnd 1: Knit to end, sl BOR m.

Continue to instructions for your size.

Size 2/4 yrs

Rnd 2: Knit to end, sl BOR m.

Continue to *All sizes*.

Size 4/6 yrs

Rnd 2 (inc rnd): (K15, M1L) to end, sl BOR m. (6 sts inc'd)

- (96, -, -, -) sts

Continue to *All sizes*.

Size 6/8 yrs

Rnd 2 (inc rnd): (K7, M1L) to 6 sts before end, k6, sl BOR m. (12 sts inc'd)

- (-, 102, -, -) sts

Continue to *All sizes*.

Size 8/10 yrs

Rnd 2 (inc rnd): (K8, M1L) to end, sl BOR m. (12 sts inc'd)

- (-, -, 108, -) sts

Continue to *All sizes*.

Size 10/12 yrs

Rnd 2 (inc rnd): (K5, M1L) to 6 sts before end, k6, sl BOR m. (18 sts inc'd)

- (-, -, -, 114) sts

Continue to *All sizes*.

All sizes

Next rnd: Knit to end, sl BOR m.

Continue to *Colorwork 1 or 2*.

Colorwork 1 (includes 4 inc rounds) MC - light color; CC - dark color

Note: Change to longer US 3 (3.25 mm) circular needle when needed to accommodate the increasing number of stitches.

Work according to the instructions for your size, changing colors and increasing as indicated.

Size 2/4 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 20, skip rnds 21 to 23, work rnds 24 to 42, break CC.

Size 4/6 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 42, break CC.

Size 6/8 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 45, break CC.

Size 8/10 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 49, break CC.

Size 10/12 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 23, then work rnds 21 to 51, break CC.

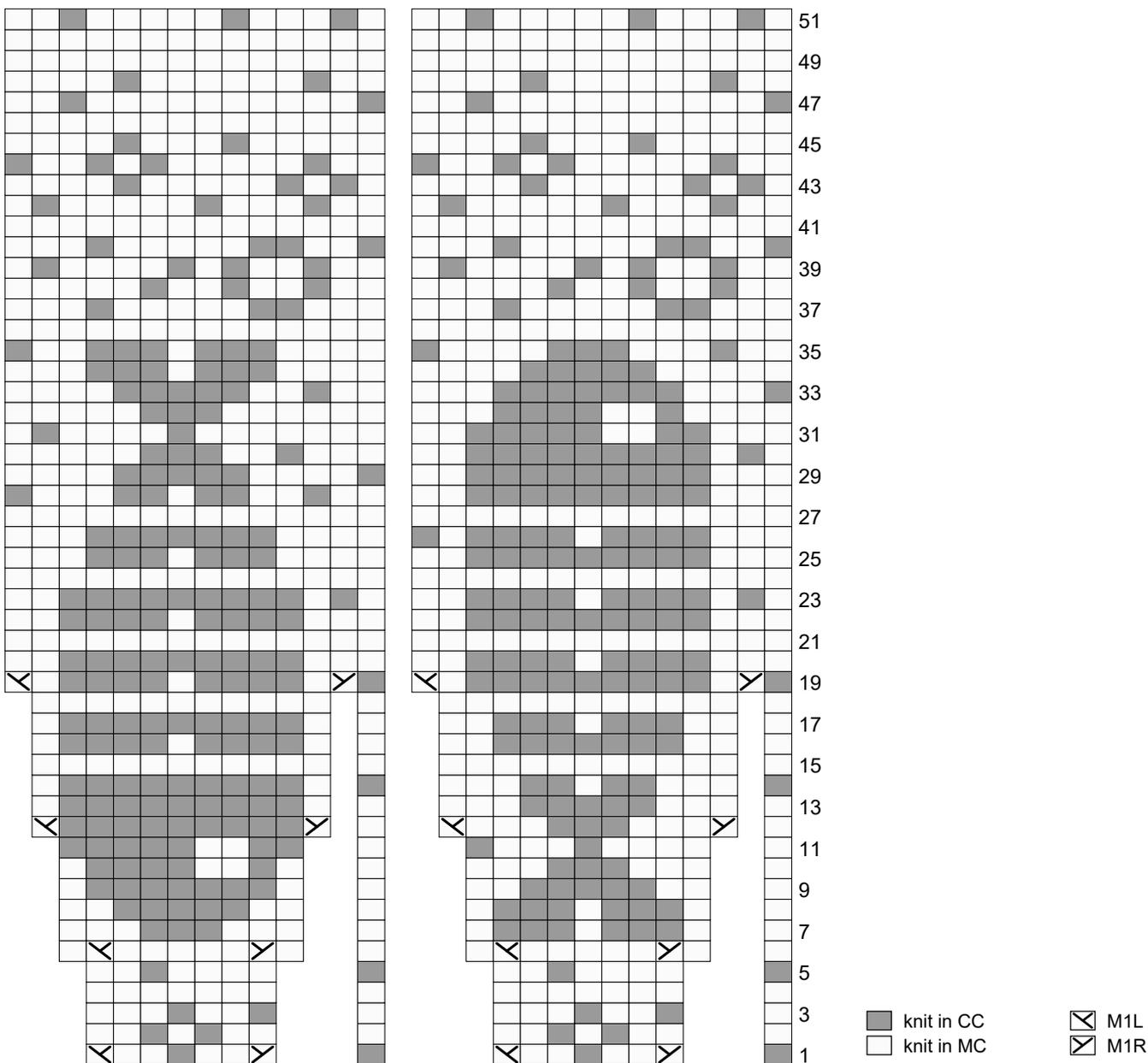


Chart is to be read from bottom to top and from right to left. The chart on the right is for fishes “swimming down” (towards the hem), the chart on the left is for fishes “swimming up” (towards the neck).

For each round you will work a total of 15 (16, 17, 18, 19) fishes. You can mix and match the fishes as you like – for the sample the “odd” fish has been worked one time, slightly off centered on the front.

You may find it helpful to place a marker before and after the “odd” motif(s).

Stitch count after rnd 1: 120 (128, 136, 144, 152) sts

Stitch count after rnd 6: 150 (160, 170, 180, 190) sts

Stitch count after rnd 12: 180 (192, 204, 216, 228) sts

Stitch count after rnd 19: 210 (224, 238, 252, 266) sts

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Colorwork 2 (includes 4 inc rounds) MC - dark color; CC - light color

Note: Change to longer US 3 (3.25 mm) circular needle when needed to accommodate the increasing number of stitches.

Work according to the instructions for your size, changing colors and increasing as indicated.

Size 2/4 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 20, skip rnds 21 to 23, work rnds 24 to 42, break CC.

Size 4/6 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 42, break CC.

Size 6/8 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 45, break CC.

Size 8/10 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 48, break CC.

Size 10/12 yrs: Work rnds 1 to 23, then work rnds 21 to 51, break CC.

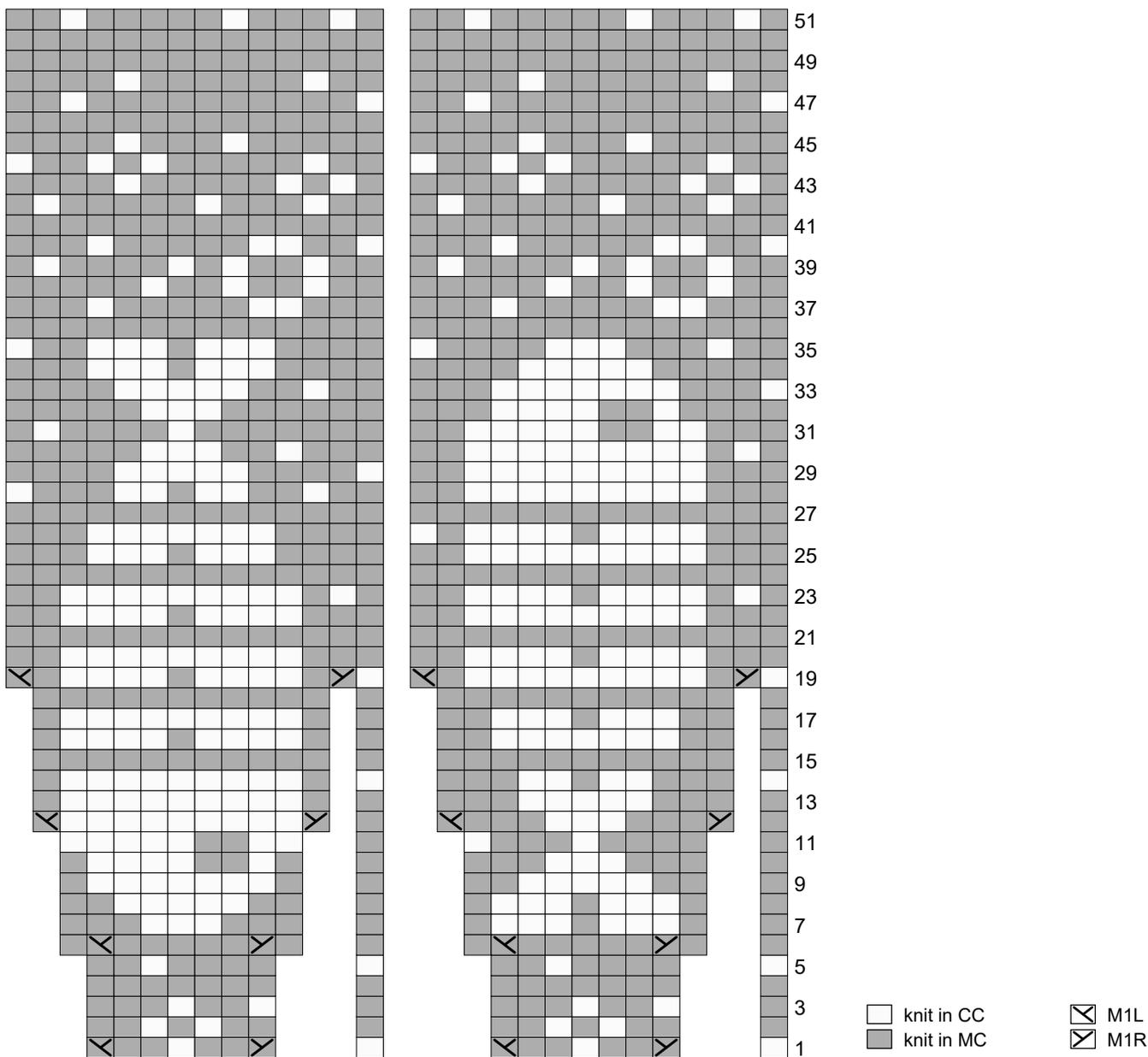


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Next rnd: K31 (34, 36, 39, 41), pm, k44 (45, 48, 49, 52), pm, k61 (67, 71, 77, 81), pm, k44, (45, 48, 49, 52), pm, k30 (33, 35, 38, 40), sl BOR m.

Short row 1: (RS) Knit to m, sl m, knit to m, sl m, k7 (8, 8, 9, 10), turn; **(WS)** DS, purl to BOR m (slipping markers as you go), sl BOR m, purl to m, sl m, purl to m, sl m, p7 (8, 8, 9, 10), turn.

Short row 2: (RS) DS, knit to BOR m (slipping markers as you go), sl BOR m, knit to m, sl m, knit to m, sl m, knit to DS, kDS, k7 (8, 8, 8, 8), turn; **(WS)** DS, purl to BOR m (slipping markers as you go), sl BOR m, purl to m, sl m, purl to m, sl m, purl to DS, pDS, p7 (8, 8, 8, 8), turn.

Next row (RS): DS, knit to BOR m (slipping markers as you go), sl BOR m.

Next rnd: Knit to end (kDS when you reach them), sl BOR m.

Raglan increases

Rnd 1 (inc rnd): (Knit to 1 stitch before m, M1R, k1, sl m, M1L, knit to m, M1R, sl m, k1, M1L) 2 times, knit to end, sl BOR m. (8 sts inc'd)

63 (69, 73, 79, 83) sts each for front and back
46 (47, 50, 51, 54) sts for each sleeve

Rnd 2: Knit to end (slipping markers as you go), sl BOR m.

Repeat **rnds 1 + 2** 2 more times.

67 (73, 77, 83, 87) sts each for front and back
50 (51, 54, 55, 58) sts for each sleeve

Separate sleeves and body

Next rnd: Knit to m, remove m, place following 50 (51, 54, 55, 58) sleeve stitches on a holder or waste yarn, remove m, using the backward loop cast-on, CO 7 (8, 9, 9, 10) sts, **pm (new BOR)**, CO 6 (7, 8, 8, 9) sts, knit to m, remove m, place following 50 (51, 54, 55, 58) sleeve stitches on a holder or waste yarn, using the backward loop cast-on, CO 13 (15, 17, 17, 19) sts, knit to old BOR m (at center of back), remove old BOR m, knit to new BOR m (at center of right underarm), sl BOR m.

160 (176, 188, 200, 212) sts for body

Body

Work in Stockinette stitch in rounds until body measures approximately 7.75 (8.5, 9.5, 10.25, 10.75)" [20 (21.5, 24.5, 26, 27.5) cm] or 1" (2.5 cm) less than desired length from underarm.

Ribbing

Change to US 2 1/2 (3 mm) needle.

Rnd 1: (K1, p1) to end, sl BOR m.
Repeat **rnd 1** until ribbing measures approximately 1" (2.5 cm).

If you would like to double the ribbing (the sample shows all ribbing doubled), work the ribbing to a total length of 2.25" (6 cm).

BO all stitches in pattern.

Sleeves (both alike)

Place held sleeve stitches on US 3 (3.25 mm) DPNs (or preferred needle to work small circumferences in the round), beginning at the center of underarm, pick up and knit 7 (8, 9, 9, 10) sts from underarm CO, knit across sleeve stitches, pick up and knit 6 (7, 8, 8, 9) sts from underarm CO, place marker for BOR.

Note: You may want to pick up one more stitch at each edge of the underarm CO to avoid holes at these points. Please decrease these stitches in the next round to achieve the correct stitch count for your sleeve.

63 (66, 71, 72, 77) sts

Sizes 2/4 yrs, 6/8 yrs, 10/12 yrs

Dec rnd: K1, k2tog, knit to end, sl BOR m. (1 stitch dec'd)

62 (-, 70, -, 76) sts

Continue to *All sizes*.

Sizes 4/6 yrs, 8/10 yrs

Continue to *All sizes*.

All sizes

Work in Stockinette stitch in rounds until sleeve measures 1" (2.5 cm) from underarm.

Dec rnd: K1, k2tog, knit to last 2 sts, ssk, sl BOR m. (2 sts dec'd)

60 (64, 68, 70, 74) sts

Repeat **dec rnd** every
14 rounds
(*this means you will work 13 rounds in Stockinette
stitch, then work dec rnd*)
4 (5, 5, 6, 6) more times.

52 (54, 58, 58, 62) sts

Continue in Stockinette stitch in rounds until
sleeve measures approximately 8.75 (10.25,
11.25, 12.25, 13.25)" [22.5 (26, 29, 31, 33.5) cm]
or 1.25" (3 cm) less than desired length from
underarm.

Size 2/4 yrs

Dec rnd: (K4, k2tog, k5, k2tog) to end. (8 sts
dec'd)

44 (-, -, -, -) sts

Size 4/6 yrs

Dec rnd: K3, k2tog, (k5, k2tog) to end. (8 sts
dec'd)

- (46, -, -, -) sts

Size 6/8 yrs

Dec rnd: K3, k2tog, (k4, k2tog) to 5 sts before
end, k3, k2tog. (10 sts dec'd)

- (-, 48, -, -) sts

Size 8 /10 yrs

Dec rnd: K7, k2tog, (k5, k2tog) to end. (8 sts
dec'd)

- (-, -, 50, -) sts

Size 10/12 yrs

Dec rnd: K4, k2tog, (k3, k2tog) to 6 sts before
end, k4, k2tog. (12 sts dec'd)

- (-, -, -, 50) sts

Ribbing

Change to US 2 1/2 (3 mm) needle.

Rnd 1: (K1, p1) to end, sl BOR m.
Repeat **rnd 1** until ribbing measures
approximately 1" (2.5 cm).

If you would like to double the ribbing (the sample
shows all ribbing doubled), work the ribbing to a
total length of 2.25" (6 cm).

BO all stitches in pattern.

Neck finishing

Undo provisional cast-on and place live stitches
on a US 2 1/2 (3 mm) needle, pm for BOR.

*Note: Please adjust the stitch count to your needs
(or the recipients liking) in **Rnd 1** by decreasing
an even number of stitches for a tighter neck
finishing.*

Rnd 1: Knit to end, sl BOR m.

Rnd 2: (K1, p1) to end, sl BOR m.
Repeat **rnd 2** 7 (7, 7, 9, 9) more times or to
desired length.

If you would like to double the ribbing (the sample
shows all ribbing doubled), work **rnd 2** a total of
17 (17, 17, 21, 21) times.

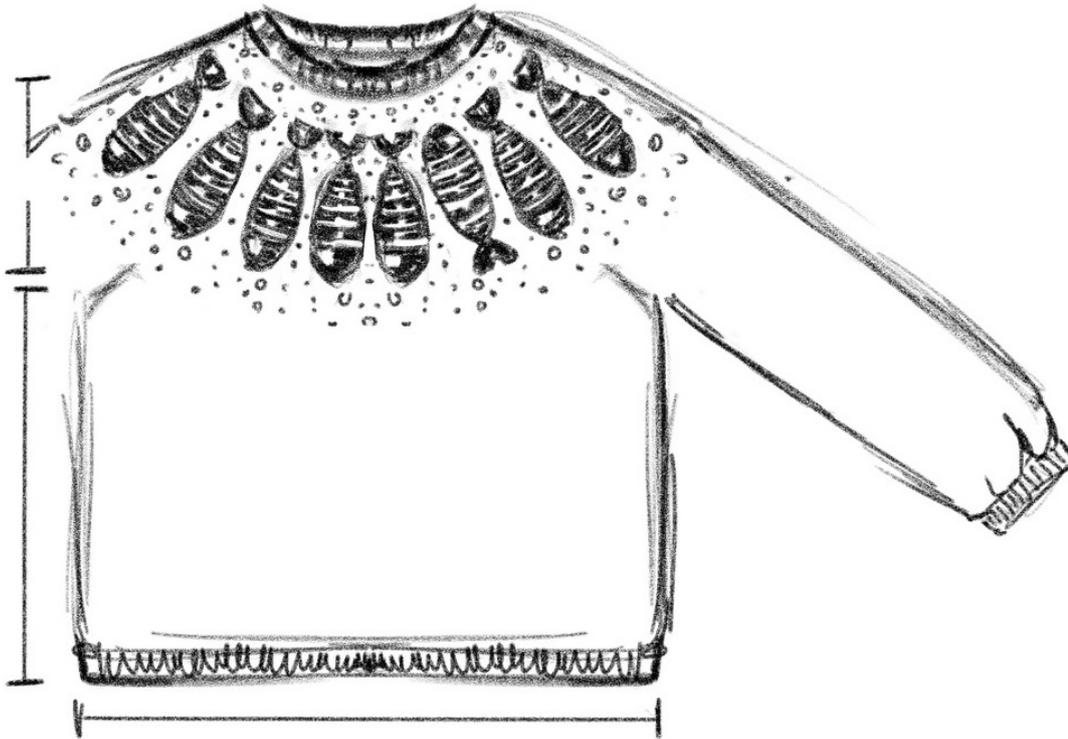
Finishing

Weave in all ends and wet block to
measurements.

If you opted for the doubled ribbing,
fold ribbing in half and loosely sew the bind off
edge of the hem/cuffs/neck to the WS of the
pullover.



Schematic



Measurements in inches

Chest circ: 26.5 (28.5, 30.5, 32.5, 34.5)
Upper arm circ: 10.5 (11, 11.5, 12, 12.5)
Yoke depth (center front): 6 (6.25, 6.75, 7, 7.75)
Body length from underarm (adjustable):
8.75 (9.5, 10.5, 11.25, 11.75)
Sleeve length from underarm (adjustable):
10 (11.5, 12.5, 13.5, 14.5)

Measurements in cm

Chest circ: 67 (73, 78, 83, 88)
Upper arm circ: 26 (27.5, 29, 30, 31.5)
Yoke depth (center front): 15 (16, 17, 18, 19.5)
Body length from underarm (adjustable):
22.5 (24, 27, 28.5, 30)
Sleeve length from underarm (adjustable):
25.5 (29, 32, 34, 36.5)