



FOLK ART LOVER

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KNITTING PATTERN

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SIZES

Finished bust circumference

- 30 (34, 38, 42, 46) (50, 54, 58, 62)"
- 76 (86, 96.5, 107, 117) (127, 137, 147, 157) cm

Recommended ease: choose a size with approx. 2-6" (5-15 cm) of positive ease. See schematics with all finished measurements at the end of the pattern.

YARN

DK weight yarn, approximate amount:

Main Color (MC)

- 900 (920, 950, 1000, 1200) (1300, 1400, 1500, 1600) yards
- 822 (841, 868, 914, 1097) (1188, 1280, 1371, 1463) meters

Contrasting Color (CC)

- 220 (230, 240, 250, 260) (270, 280, 290, 300) yards
- 201 (210, 220, 228, 237) (246, 256, 265, 274) meters

Shown in Malabrigo Yarn Rastita (100% Wool - Merino; 309 yds / 283 m- 100 g): 3 (3, 4, 4, 4) (5, 5, 5, 6) skeins in "Dewberry" for main color and 1 skein for all sizes in "Mostaza" for contrasting color.

NEEDLES

US 5 (3.75 mm) and **US 3 (3.25 mm)** circular needles, 32" (81 cm) long or longer.

NOTIONS

Stitch markers, stitch holders or waste yarn, and tapestry needle.

GAUGE

20 sts and 30 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Stockinette stitch on US 5 (3.75 mm) needles.

Before you measure, please take the time to wash and block your swatch in the same manner that you will wash and block your sweater.

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CONSTRUCTIONS NOTES

- Sweater is knitted seamless from the top down. It is worked in the round, except for a few short-rows.
- Short-rows are used to raise the back neckline for a comfortable fit.
- After working the yoke, sleeves are put on hold to knit the body in Stockinette stitch.
- Notes about color dominance and tension can be found at the end of the pattern.

INSTRUCTIONS

COLLAR

Using smaller needles and MC, cast on 88 (96, 96, 104, 104) (116, 116, 120, 120) sts using a long-tail cast on or your favorite method.

Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist sts and place a marker (PM) to mark the beginning of round (BOR).

Work 0.75" (2 cm) in 2x2-ribbing: [k2, p2] to end.

Change to larger needle.

YOKE

NEXT RND: Knit to end.

SHORT ROWS 1

Short rows are worked back and forth to raise the back neckline for a better fit. Notice that the BOR marker is on the center back.

Note: short-rows are optional in this pattern; if you prefer your sweater without them, just skip this section and go directly to INCREASE ROUND 1 section.

SHORT ROW 1 (RS): Knit 25 (28, 28, 30, 30) (36, 36, 38, 38), W&T.

SHORT ROW 2 (WS): Purl to BOR marker, slm, purl 25 (28, 28, 30, 30) (36, 36, 38, 38), W&T.

SHORT ROW 3 (RS): Knit to BOR marker, slm, knit to wrapped st, knit wrap together with wrapped st, knit 8 (8, 8, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) sts, W&T.

SHORT ROW 4 (WS): Purl to BOR marker, slm, purl to wrapped st, purl wrap together with wrapped st, purl 8 (8, 8, 8, 8) (10, 10, 10, 10) sts, W&T.

Next, knit to BOR.

NEXT ROUND, END OF SHORT ROWS (RS): Knitting to end, knitting wraps together with wrapped sts.

NEXT ROUND: Knit to end.

INCREASE ROUND 1

Follow the instructions according to your size.

SIZE 30" (76 cm): K22, m1, k44, m1, knit to end. – 2 sts increased.

SIZES 34" and 38" (86 and 96.5 cm): K3, *k10, m1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3. – 9 sts increased.

SIZES 42" and 46" (107 and 117 cm): K4, *k6, m1; repeat from * to last 4 sts, k4. – 16 sts increased.

SIZES 50" and 54" (127 and 137 cm): *K6, m1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2. – 19 sts increased.

SIZES 58" and 62" (147 and 157 cm): *K6, m1; repeat from * to end. – 20 sts increased.

You now have **90 (105, 105, 120, 120) (135, 135, 140, 140)** sts on your needles.

ALL SIZES: Knit 1 (1, 1, 1, 1) (2, 2, 3, 3) round(s).

Sizes 30" to 54" (76 to 137 cm):
Continue to Colorwork Pattern.

Sizes 58" and 62" only: Continue to Increase round 2.

INCREASE ROUND 2

SIZES 58" and 62" (147 and 157 cm): *K14, m1; repeat from * to end. – 10 sts increased.

You now have 90 (105, 105, 120, 120) (135, 135, **150, 150**) sts on your needles.

Continue to Colorwork Pattern.

COLORWORK PATTERN

Attach CC and begin the colorwork pattern next. Follow chart on next page. Place markers between pattern repeat if necessary.

NEXT ROUND (RS): Work round 1 of Colorwork Chart A to end for 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) (9, 9, 10, 10) times total.

Continue working as established until all the rows of Chart A are worked. Do not break CC, continue to carry it on the back of the piece.

You should have 114 (133, 133, 152, 152) (171, 171, 190, 190) sts on needle.

NEXT ROUND (RS): With MC, knit to end.

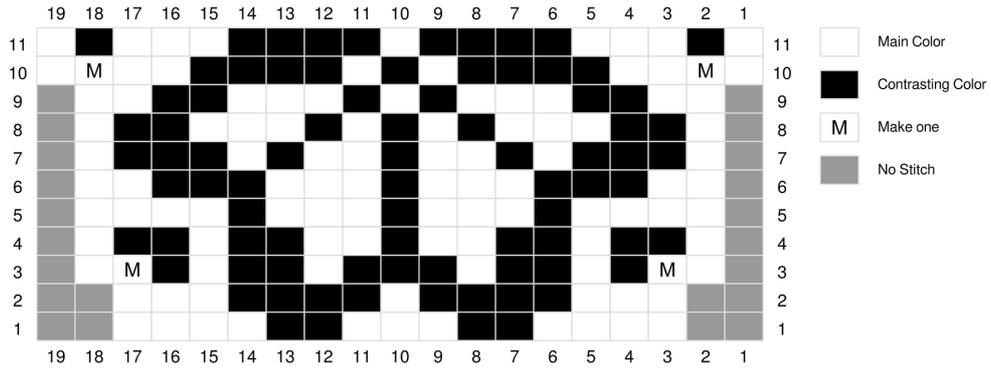
NEXT ROUND (RS): Work round 1 of Colorwork Chart B to end for 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) (9, 9, 10, 10) times total.

Continue working as established until all the rows of Chart B are worked. Break CC. Continue with MC to the end of pattern.

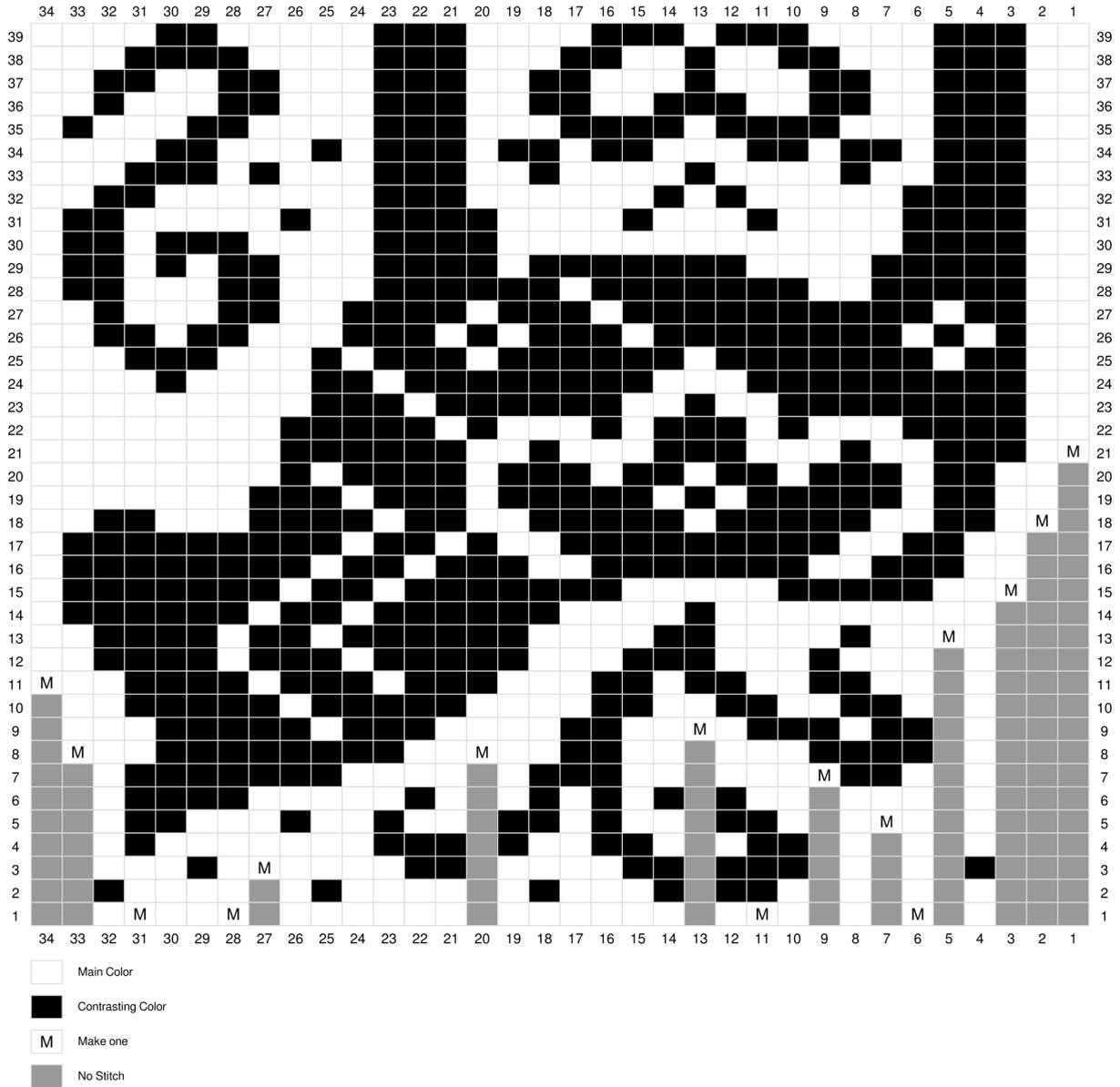
You should have **204 (238, 238, 272, 272) (306, 306, 340, 340)** sts on needle.

NEXT ROUND (RS): Knit to end.

COLORWORK CHART A



COLORWORK CHART B



SHORT ROWS 2

Note: short-rows are optional in this pattern; if you prefer your sweater without them, just skip this section and go directly to INCREASE ROUND 3 section.

SHORT ROW 1 (RS): Knit 55 (65, 65, 75, 75) (85, 85, 95, 95), W&T.

SHORT ROW 2 (WS): Purl to BOR marker, slm, purl 55 (65, 65, 75, 75) (85, 85, 95, 95), W&T.

SHORT ROW 3 (RS): Knit to BOR marker, slm, knit to wrapped st, knit wrap together with wrapped st, knit 8 (9, 10, 10, 10) (10, 10, 10, 10) sts, W&T.

SHORT ROW 4 (WS): Purl to BOR marker, slm, purl to wrapped st, purl wrap together with wrapped st, purl 8 (9, 10, 10, 10) (10, 10, 10, 10) sts, W&T.

Repeat short rows 3 & 4 once more. After all short rows, knit to BOR.

NEXT ROUND, END OF SHORT ROWS (RS): Knitting to end, knitting wraps together with wrapped sts.

NEXT ROUND: Knit to end.

INCREASE ROUND 3

Follow the instructions according to your size.

SIZE 30" (76 CM): K2, *k20, m1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2. – 10 sts increased.

SIZE 34" (86 CM): K2, *k39, m1; repeat from * to last st, k2. – 6 sts increased.

SIZE 38" (96.5 CM): K7, *k14, m1; repeat from * to last 7 sts, k7. – 16 sts increased.

SIZE 42" (107 CM): *K17, m1; repeat from * to end. – 16 sts increased.

SIZE 46" (117 CM): K1, *k15, m1; repeat from * to last st, k1 – 18 sts increased.

SIZE 50" (127 CM): K1, *k19, m1; repeat from * to last st, k1. – 16 sts increased.

SIZE 54" (137 CM): *K8, m1, k9, m1; repeat from * to end. – 36 sts increased.

SIZE 58" (147 CM): *K10, m1; repeat from * to end. – 34 sts increased.

SIZE 62" (157 CM): K9, *k7, m1; repeat from * to last 9 sts, k9. – 46 sts increased.

You now have 214 (244, 254, 288, 290) (322, 342, 374, 386) sts on your needles.

Work St st in the round until yoke measures approximately 9 (9, 9, 9.5, 9.5) (9.5, 10, 10, 10.5)" [23 (23, 23, 24, 24) (24, 25.5, 25.5, 27) cm], measured straight down from the front of the piece (including ribbing). To increase the length of the yoke, continue to work in St st until desired. Continue to Separate Body and Sleeves.

SEPARATE BODY AND SLEEVES

Knit 33 (38, 41, 46, 48) (53, 56, 61, 63) sts for right back, place next 42 (46, 46, 52, 50) (56, 60, 66, 68) sts on holder or waste yarn for right sleeve, cast on 10 (10, 14, 14, 20) (20, 24, 24, 30) sts for underarm, knit 66 (76, 82, 92, 96) (106, 112, 122, 126) sts for front, place next 42 (46, 46, 52, 50) (56, 60, 66, 68) sts on holder or waste yarn for left sleeve, cast on 10 (10, 14, 14, 20) (20, 24, 24, 30) sts for underarm, knit 33 (38, 41, 46, 48) (53, 56, 61, 63) for left back.

Total of **152 (172, 192, 212, 232) (252, 272, 292, 312)** body sts.

Next, continue to Body.

BODY

Continue to work in St st until piece measures 13 (13, 13.5, 14, 14) (14, 14.5, 14.5, 15)" [33 (33, 34, 35.5, 35.5) (35.5, 37, 37, 38) cm] from underarm or 1" (2.5 cm) shorter than desired length.

Switch to smaller circular needles.

Work 1" (2.5 cm) in 2x2-ribbing: [k2, p2] to end. Bind off all sts using your favorite method.

SLEEVES

Place 42 (46, 46, 52, 50) (56, 60, 66, 68) held sleeve sts on larger needles ready to be worked.

Beginning at center of underarm, pick up and knit 5 (5, 7, 7, 10) (10, 12, 12, 15) sts from the CO underarm sts, m1R in the corner between CO sts and held sts, knit to end of held sts, M1L in the corner between CO sts and held sts, pick up and knit 5 (5, 7, 7, 10) (10, 12, 12, 15) sts from the other half of the underarm, PM for BOR and join to work in the round – 2 sts increased.

NEXT ROUND: knit 4 (4, 6, 6, 9) (9, 11, 11, 14) sts, k2tog, knit to 6 (6, 8, 8, 11) (11, 13, 13, 16) sts before BOR marker, ssk, knit to end – 2 sts decreased.

Total of 52 (56, 60, 66, 70) (76, 84, 90, 98) sts on needles.

Continue to work in St st for 6 rounds.

SLEEVE SHAPING

DECREASE ROUND: Ssk, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog – 2 sts decreased.

NEXT: Knit 19 (15, 11, 10, 8) (6, 5, 4, 3) rounds.

Repeat the last 20 (16, 12, 11, 9) (7, 6, 5, 4) rounds for 3 (5, 7, 8, 10) (13, 15, 18, 22) more times.

Total of 44 (44, 44, 48, 48) (48, 52, 52, 52) sts on needles.

Continue in Stockinette Stitch until sleeve measures 17" (43 cm) from underarm.

Switch to smaller circular needles.

Work 1" (2.5 cm) in 2x2-ribbing: [k2, p2] to end. Bind off all sts using your favorite method.

FINISHING

Weave in ends and block top to measurements using your preferred method.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Measurements in inches

A - Bust circumference: 30 (34, 38, 42, 46) (50, 54, 58, 62)

B - Yoke depth: 9 (9, 9, 9.5, 9.5) (9.5, 10, 10, 10.5)

C - Upper sleeve circumference: 10.5 (11, 12, 13, 14) (15, 16.5, 18, 19)

D - Body length: 13 (13, 13.5, 14, 14) (14, 14.5, 14.5, 15)

Measurements in centimeters

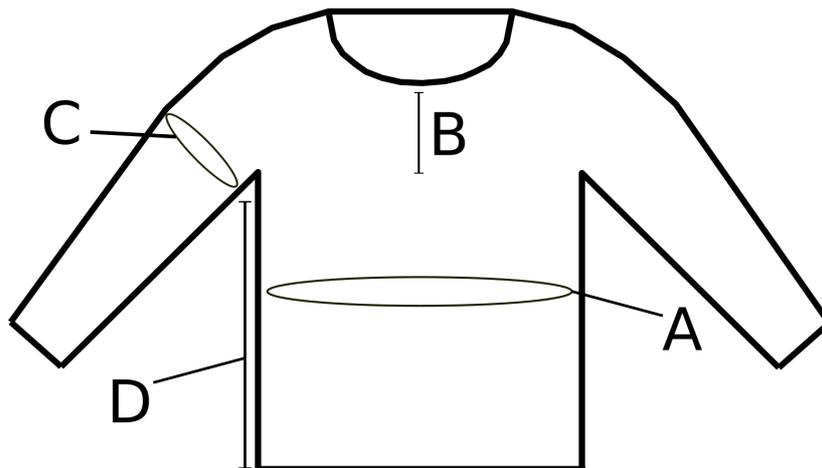
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B - Yoke depth: 23 (23, 23, 24, 24) (24, 25.5, 25.5, 27)

C - Upper sleeve circumference: 26.5 (28, 30.5, 33, 35.5) (38, 42, 46, 48)

D - Body length: 33 (33, 34, 35.5, 35.5) (35.5, 37, 37, 38)

SCHEMATICS



SHORT ROWS

WRAP AND TURN - KNIT SIDE

- 1 - Keeping the yarn in back, slip the next stitch purlwise from the left needle to the right needle.
- 2 - Bring the yarn forward as if to purl.
- 3 - Slip the stitch from the right needle back to the left needle.
- 4 - Bring the yarn to the back of the work as if to knit.
- 5 - Turn the work so the purl side is facing you, ready to purl.

WRAP AND TURN - PURL SIDE

- 1 - Keeping the yarn in front, slip the next stitch purlwise from the left needle to the right needle.
- 2 - Bring the yarn back as if to knit.
- 3 - Slip the stitch from the right needle back to the left needle.
- 4 - Bring the yarn to the front of the work as if to purl.
- 5 - Turn the work so the knit side is facing you, ready to knit.

Once you've completed your Short Rows, you'll notice gaps in the knitting where you wrapped the stitches. To rectify this, you work across the entire row, closing the gaps by "picking up the wrapped stitches".

PICKING UP THE WRAPPED STITCH - KNIT SIDE

- 1 - Pick up the wrap with the right needle from front to back.
- 2 - Then insert the right needle into the stitch that is wrapped.
- 3 - Knit the wrap and the stitch together.

PICKING UP THE WRAPPED STITCH - PURL SIDE

- 1 - Pick up the wrap with the right needle from back to front.
- 2 - Place the wrap onto the left needle, over and behind the stitch it was wrapping.
- 3 - Purl the wrap and the stitch together.

HOW TO PICK UP A PURL WRAP - KNIT SIDE

When working in the round, you are going to encounter a stitch that was wrapped on the purl (or wrong) side and needs to be picked up on the knit (or right) side. Here's how to pick up a purl wrap on the knit side:

- 1 - Work up to the wrapped stitch.
- 2 - Use the tip of the right needle to pick up the wrap, inserting the needle from front to back. Place the wrap onto the left needle. Note: If necessary, nudge the wrap so it is after the next stitch on the needle.
- 3 - Next, slip the first stitch knitwise, then slip the wrap purlwise. Insert the tip of the left needle into the front legs of those two slipped stitches. Wrap your working yarn around the right needle to knit the two together. The wrap will fall to the wrong side of your fabric.

<https://www.purlsoho.com/create/short-rows-wrap-turn/>

COLOR DOMINANCE AND TENSION

The dominant color (contrasting color) should be held to the left, while the background color (main color) should be held to the right, no matter how you work your stranded knitting (continental/English or one color in each hand/both colors in one hand). To make sure that you keep the tension of your knitting and your floats as even as possible, you can help this by stretching out the stitches you've just worked on your right needle every now and then.

ABBREVIATIONS

BOR: beginning of round

CO: cast on

dec: decrease

inc: increase

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together

m1: make one left or right

m1L: make one left

m1R: make one right

p: purl

pm: place marker

RND(S): round, rounds

RS: right side

sl: slip

slm: slip marker

ssk: slip, slip, knit slipped sts tbl

st(s): stitch (stitches)

St st: Stockinette stitch

WS: wrong side

W&T: wrap and turn

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