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GERDA SWEATER

The Gerda sweater is inspired by Åse Lund Jensen's classic pattern, which is characterized by its structure and beautiful cables. The Gerda Sweater reinterprets this classic into a soft and airy contemporary style, with modern top-down and raglan construction while staying true to the original features. The Gerda sweater matches Gerda skirt, both are featured in the Isager Archives collection 2024.

SIZE GUIDE

1 (2) 3 (4) 5 (6) 7 (8)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest circumference 106 (115) 123 (130) 136 (142) 146 (160) cm

To fit approx. chest circumference: 70-82 (80-92) 90-102 (100-118) 110-120 (120-136) 136-145 (145-151) cm

Length (excluding neckband): approx. 52 (52) 53 (54) 56 (60) 66 (69)

YARN

Gerda is made with 2 strands of Spinni and 1 strand of Silk mohair, a total of 3 strands of yarn held together

Isager Garn:

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Spinni (50g/300 m, 100% wool) 400 (400) 500 (550) (650) 650 (700) g

Silk mohair (25g/212 m, 25% super kid mohair and 25% silk)

150 (150) 175 (175) 200 (200) 225 g

GAUGE

With a 4 mm/US 6 in pattern,

20 sts x 30 rows = 10 x 10 cm before blocking

19 sts x 31 rows = 10 x 10 cm after blocking

Due to the overall texture of the sweater, it is important to gauge properly. Please see "preparation of samples for gauge" below.

NEEDLES

4 mm/US 6 Circular needle (40, 60 and 80 cm)

3 mm/ US 4 Circular needle (40, 60 and 80 cm)

Cable needle 4 mm (optional)

INTRODUCTION AND ABBREVIATIONS

Always read the pattern through before you start

ABBREVIATIONS

BOR	Beginning Of Round
cbn	able needle
CO	Cast On
dec(s)/, ing	decrease(s)/,ing
inc(s)/, ing	increase(s)/,ing
K, k	knit
LHN/RHN	left-hand needle/right-hand needle
m	stitch marker
P, p	purl
pm	place marker
Pwise/Kwise	Purlwise/Knitwise, in the direction of p st/in the direction of k st
Rnd	round
sl	slip st(s) purlwise, unless noted differently
sm	slip marker
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through the back loop
tog	together
Edge stitch	ES, always knit, both RS & WS
M1L	left-leaning increase insert the LHN from front to back, pick up the yarn between 2 sts, knit tbl
M1R	right-leaning increase, insert the LHN fro back to front, pick up the yarn between 2 sts, knit.

PREPARATION FOR A SAMPLE FOR GAUGE

With 4 mm needle, cast on 32 sts and prepare a sample in the pattern:

Row 1 - 4: *K4, P4*, ** repeat to end

Row 5 - 8: *P4, K4*, ** repeat to end

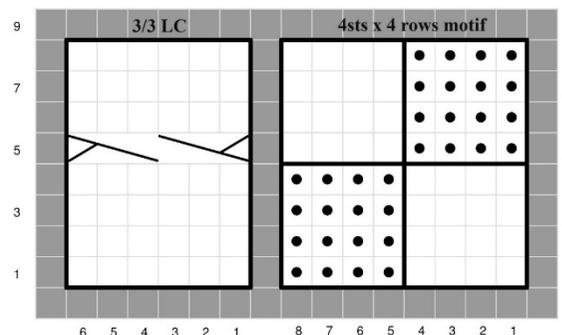
Continue to work in an established pattern until your sample is large enough to measure the gauge, bind off, and block to establish an accurate gauge.

CONSTRUCTION NOTE

Charts are provided at the end of this pattern as a reference to help establish stitches for the body, sleeve, and ‘raglan 12 sts’.

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STITCH GUIDE



Rnd 1-8 make up the repeat motif. These are what is referred to as **Rnd 1- 8** for the rest of the pattern.

3/3LC cable

Rnd 1-4, 6-8: k all

Rnd 5: 3/3 LC, place 3sts on a cbn and leave in the front, knit 3 sts from LHN then knit 3sts from cbn

4sts x 4 rows motif

Rnd 1-4: k4, p4

Rnd 5-8: p4, k4

THE PATTERN BEGINS HERE

Gerda is constructed top-down and can begin with 2 different options for the neckband.

Option 1: FOLDED OVER TURTLENECK

With 3 mm needle, CO 120 (120) 120 (120) 128 (128) 128 (136) sts with Italian cast-on. Work 2 rows to set up 1x1 rib flat: *sl 1 wyif, k1, repeat from * to end.

Repeat another row.

Join in the round carefully without twisting the work and place a marker (m) for BOR.

Work 1x1 rub: *k1, p1, repeat from * to BOR until rib measures approx.

20cm.

Option 2: ROUND NECKBAND

With 3 mm needle, CO 120 (120) 120 (120) 128 (128) 128 (136) sts with the Italian CO, work 1x1 rib for approx. 8 cm. Fold down the neckband and knit with the st on the cast-on row to create a double neckband.

BOTH NECKBAND STYLES:

Rnd 1: with 4 mm needle, purl all.

Set up Rnd for raglan:

Size 1 (2) 3 (4):

From BOR, sl BOR-m, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2 (right sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k4, p2, k1, p4, k4, p4, k1, p2, k4 (front), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2 (left sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k4, p2, k1, p4, k4, p4, k1, p2, k4 (back), back to BOR.

Size 5 (6) 7:

From BOR, sl BOR-m, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2

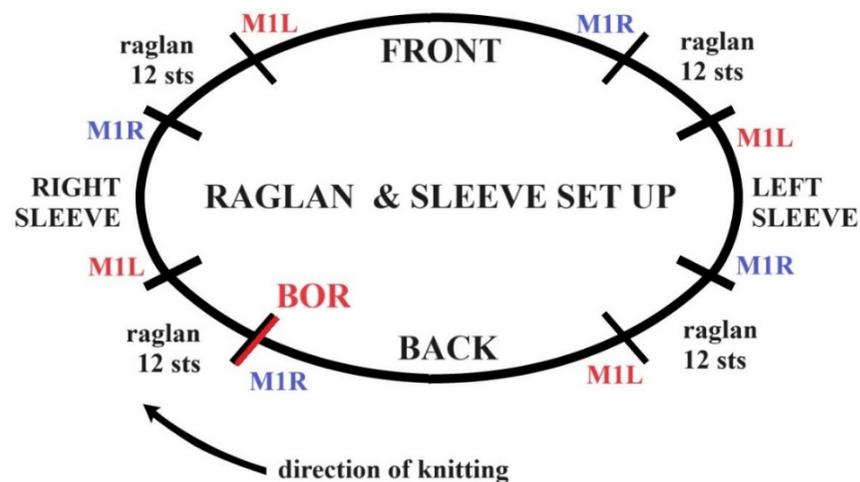
(right sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k6, p2, k1, p4, k4, p4, k1, p2, k6 (front), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2 (left sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k6, p2, k1, p4, k4, p4, k1, p2, k6, (back), back to BOR.

Size (8):

From BOR, sl BOR-m, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2 (right sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k4, p2, k1, k4, p4, k4, p4, k4, k1, p2, k4 (front), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, p2, k6, p2 (left sleeve), pm, k1, p2, k6, p2, k1 ('raglan 12 sts'), pm, k4, p2, k1, k4, p4, k4, p4, k4, k1, p2, k4, back to BOR.

FOR ALL SIZES

Rnd 1: Work 1 round as established.



Begin increasing around the body and sleeves: please read the description below for the 'Raglan increase round' and the 'Body only increase round' to follow instructions for different sizes.

Raglan increase round: From BOR, sl BOR-m, work ‘raglan 12 sts’ as established to the next m, sm, MIL, work the right sleeve as established to the next m, M1R, sm, work the ‘raglan 12 sts’ as established, sm, MIL, work the front as established to the next m, M1R, sm, work ‘‘raglan 12 sts’’ as established to next m, sm, MIL, work the left sleeve as established to the next m, M1R, sm, work the raglan 12 st as established, sm, MIL, work the back as established to the next m, M1R, back to BOR. A total of 8 sts increased.

Body only increase round, without increase on sleeves: From BOR, sl BOR-m, work ‘raglan 12 sts’ as established to the next m, sm, work the right sleeve as established to the next m, sm, work the raglan 12 st as established, sm, MIL, work the front as established to the next m, M1R, sm, work ‘raglan 12 sts’ as established to the next m, sm, work the left sleeve as established to the next m, sm, work the raglan 12 st as established, sm, MIL, work the back as established to the next m, M1R, back to BOR. A total of 4 sts increased.

The first ‘**raglan increase round**’ for all sizes starts on **Rnd 2** of the stitch motif on pages 2 or 7-9. Don’t forget to switch the stitch pattern for 4x4 sts motif on every 5th rnd and twist cables. Please use charts at the end of this pattern as a reference for placement and cables as you add new sts:

Size 1 (2): Repeat the ‘**raglan increase round**’ 29 times on every other rnd. Total of 232 sts increased (8sts x 29 increase = 232 sts). Total of 352 (352) sts.

Size 3 (4): Repeat the ‘**raglan increase round**’ 29 times on every other rnd, then ‘**body only increase round**’ for another 4 times. There is a total of 29 increases on the sleeves and 33 increases on the body on every other row. Total of 248 sts increased (8sts x 29 increases = 232 sts, plus 4 sts x 4 increases = 16 sts). Total of 368 (368) sts.

Size 5 (6) 7: Repeat the ‘**raglan increase round**’ 33 (33) 37 times on every other rnd, then ‘**body only increase round**’ for another 4 (4) 2 times. There is a total of 33 (33) 37 increases on the sleeves and 37 (37) 39 increases on the body on every other rnd. Total of 280 (280) 304 sts increased (8sts x 33 (33) 37 increases

= 264 (264) 296 sts, plus 4 sts x 4 (4) 2 increases = 16 (16) 8 sts). Total of 408 (424) 440 sts.

Size (8): Repeat the ‘**raglan increase round**’ 37 times on every other rnd, then ‘**body only increase round**’ for another 4 times. Total of 312 sts increased (8sts x 37 increases = 296 sts, plus 4 sts x 4 increases = 16 sts). Total of 448 sts.

DIVIDE BODY & SLEEVES

A total of 216 (216) 232 (232) 248 (264) 264 (280) sts on the body and 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 80 (84) sts on each sleeve on the needle.

Divide the stitches as follows:

From BOR, work the raglan as established to the first m, rm, transfer the next 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 80 (84) sts onto a stitch holder or scrap yarn, then cast on 4 (12) 12 (16) 16 (16) 24 (24) sts with backward loop CO (these will be incorporated into established ‘k4, p4’ pattern on the next rnd), rm, work the raglan, front piece, and the next raglan, rm, transfer the next 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 80 (84) sts onto a stitch holder or scrap yarn, then cast on 4 (12) 12 (16) 16 (16) 24 (24) sts with backward loop CO, rm, work as established to BOR. Slip markers as you pass.

A total of 224 (240) 256 (264) 280 (296) 312 (328) sts on the body.

Continue to work the body in the round as established while incorporating the newly CO 4 (12) 12 (16) 16 (16) 24 (24) sts from the underarm into the established ‘k4, p4’ motif.

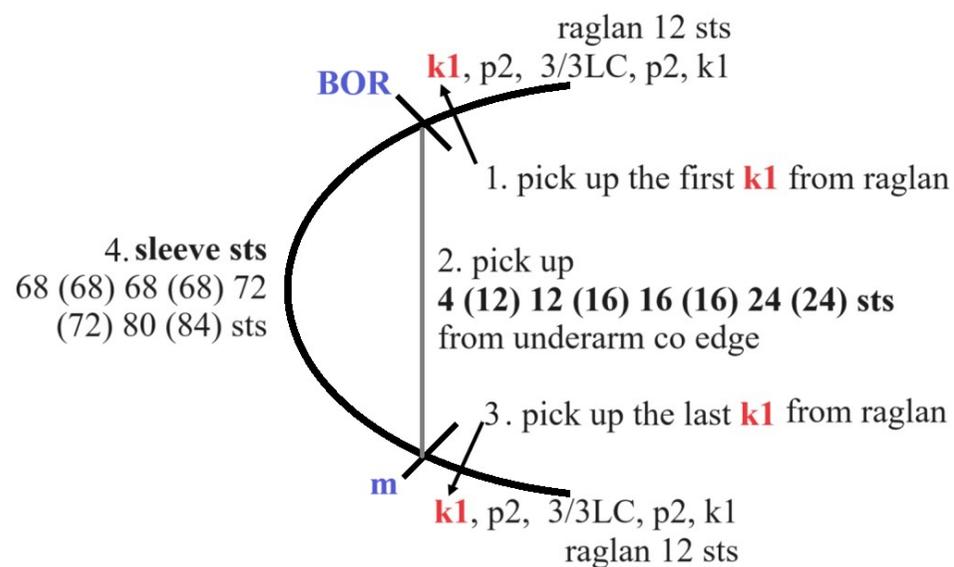
Continue knitting in the round until the body measures approx. 26 (27) 28 (28) 30 (32) 33 (33) cm or the desired length from the underarm before starting the bottom rib.

Work one round in purl while changing the needle to 3mm.

Start working the bottom rib in 1x1 rib: *K1, P1, repeat from * to BOR. Continue to work until the rib measures approx. 7 cm. Bind off with Italian closure.

SLEEVES *make 2*

Transfer sts for the sleeve on a 4 mm (40 cm) needle. Pick up new sts as follows: start by picking up 1 st from the outside 'k1' st of the raglan (this will be a knit st for the entire length of the sleeve), then pick up 4 (12) 12 (16) 16 (16) 24 (24) sts from the underarm cast on edge, pick up 1 st from the outside 'k1' st of the raglan (this will be a knit st for the entire length of the sleeve). There is k1 on either side of the newly picked up sts underarm. Work 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 80 (84) sts as established in pattern, pm for BOR.



Work 1st round as established while incorporating the newly CO sts into an established 'k4, p4' pattern. Continue to work as established for approx. 12cm then start tapering the sleeve by decreasing as below:

From BOR, sm, sl 1st, work 1 st as established in either k or p, lift the slipped st over the worked st, work as established to 1 st before the next m, k2tog, sm, work as established to BOR, 2 sts decreased. It may be helpful to place a removable marker on the first decrease round to remember where to start for later when you work on the second sleeve.

Continue to work as established while making a decrease every 6 cm.



When the sleeve measures approx. 38 (38) 38 (39) 39 (39) 40 (40) cm or your desired sleeve length, work 1 round in purl with a 3mm needle.

Work 1x1 rib: *K1, P1, repeat from * to BOR. Work until the rib measures 6 cm.

Bind off with Italian Bind off.

Make the second sleeve.

FINISHING

Weave in all loose ends. We recommend hand washing the sweater with wool soap, and briefly 'spin only' at 1000 rpm. Lay the sweater flat and shape it to the planned measurement to dry. If necessary, use a blocking mat and pins to hold the sweater in place while it dries to achieve the specified measurements.

Your GERDA is ready!

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REGARDING CHARTS....

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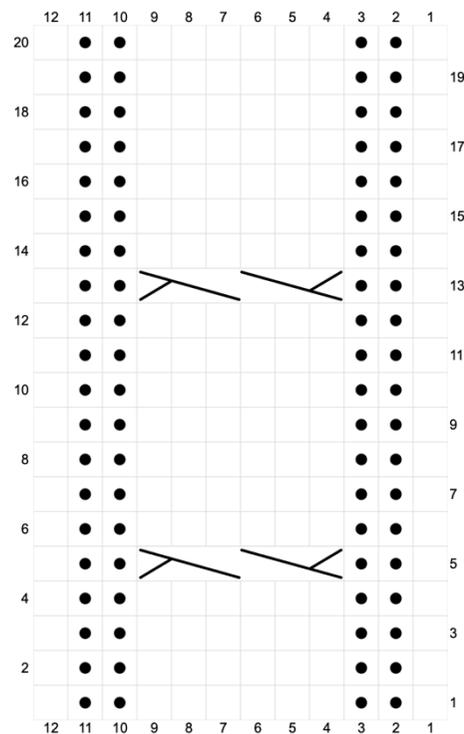
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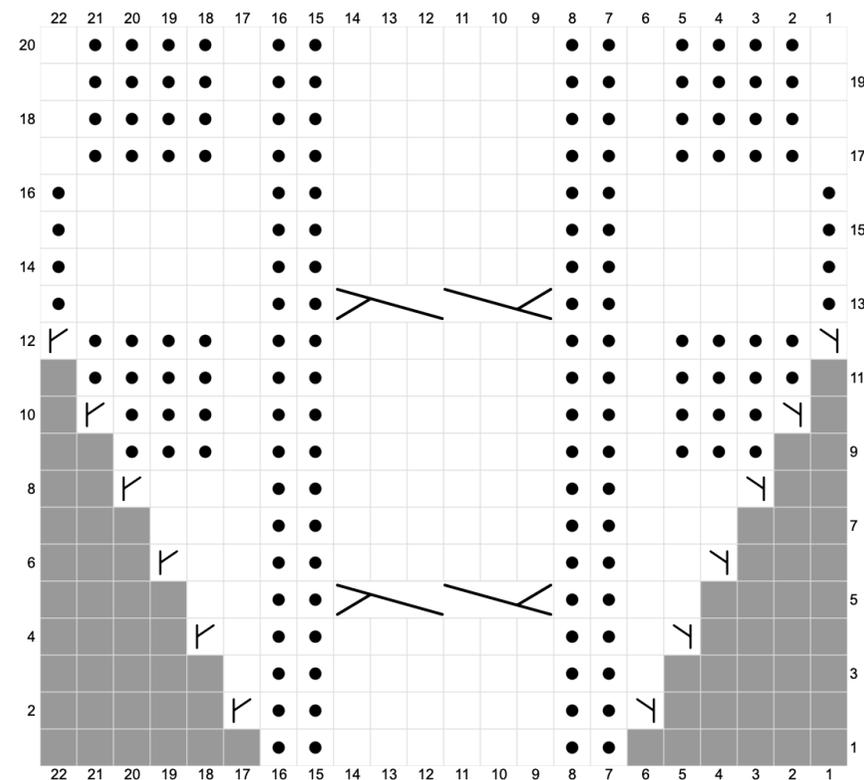
	knit
	purl
	no stitch
	M1R
	M1L
	3/3LC, place 3sts on a cbn and leave in the front, knit 3 st from LHN then knit 3sts from cbn

Reference chart for 'raglan 12 sts':

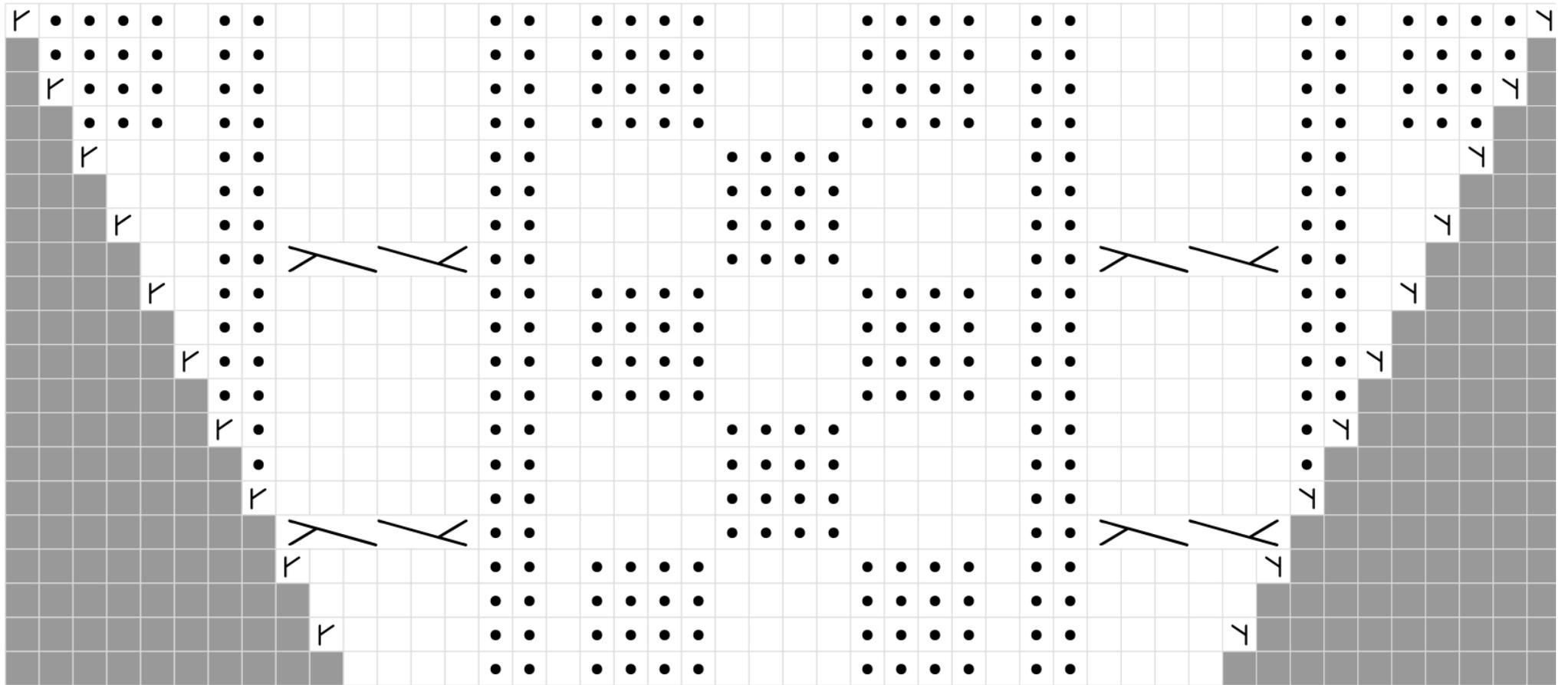
NB: extra sts from the increase on either side of the 'raglan 12 sts' should be incorporated into the pattern of the body.



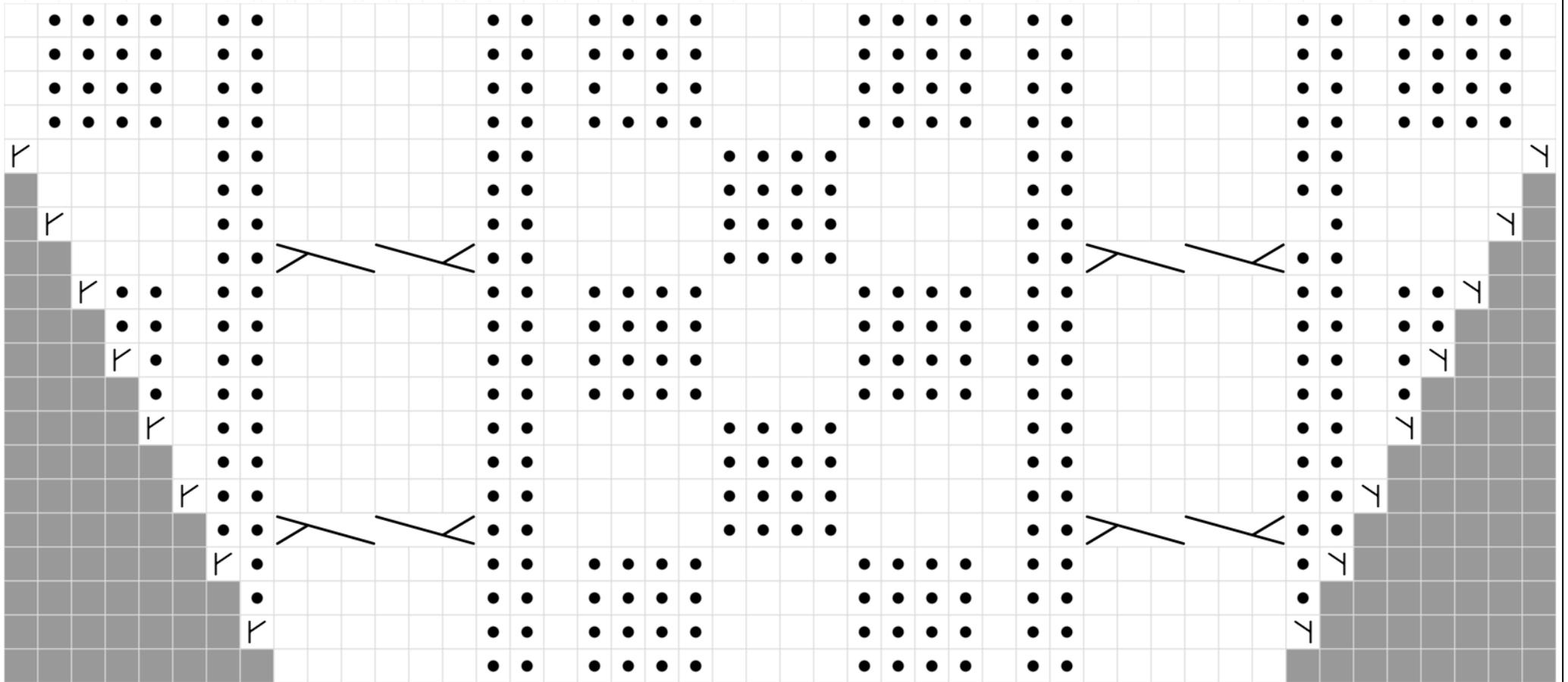
Reference chart for sleeves for all sizes:



Reference body chart for sizes 1 (2) 3 (4):



Reference chart for sizes 5 (6) 7:



Reference chart for size (8):

