



# Gondor Vest

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Pins: 3.5mm & 4mm

Yarn: Fabel Knitwear Athena & Fabel Knitwear Mohair Silk  
The vest is knitted with 1 strand of mohair silk and 1 strand of solid fingering weight yarn.  
held together.

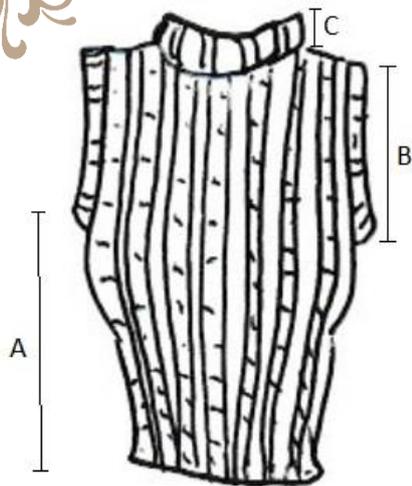
Size: (XS) S (M) L (XL) 2XL (3XL)

Overall width: Approx (80cm) 90cm (100cm) 108cm (118cm) 127cm (132cm)

Quantity Athena: (80) 80 (100) 120 (120) 150 (150) g  
Quantity Mohair Silk: (40) 40 (50) 75 (75) 75 (100) g

Knitting tension rib. Unstretched: 20 sts = 10 cm





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XS	26cm	12cm	2cm
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L	28cm	18cm	2cm
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2XL	30cm	24cm	2cm
3XL	30cm	26cm	2cm

Gondor is a 1940s inspired ribbed vest. It is high waisted and fitted – perfect over shirts, dresses and turtlenecks. It is knitted from the bottom up in a thread of Athena and a thread of Mohair Silk held together, for a luxurious, elegant look.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**R:** Straight

**Please:** Wrong

**M:** Mask

**Mm:** Mask marker

**Omg:** Round (out 1 row)

**Video tutorial for increases used:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Y9OX1eJP8A&t=24s>

## BOL

On circular needle size 3.5 mm, cast on (124) 136 (148) 160 (172) 184 (200) sts. Place a marker at the beginning of the round.

Work rib (k1, p1) in the round for approx. 12 cm.

Place a new marker after (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) sts. This and the first marker mark the sides.

Stitch (63) 69 (75) 81 (87) 93 (101), i.e. the stitch right after MM, should be a knit stitch.

You will now increase to get the vest in a figured pattern, like this: Knit to the first MM, inc1, move MM, k1, inc1.

Repeat at the next MM.

On the next round, the new stitches should be purled, so the last 2 sts before the MM will be: P2, move MM, K1, P2.

Continue like this for 2 cm.

Knit rib to 1 st before first MM, inc1, p1, move MM, k1, p1, inc1. Repeat at next MM.



On the next round, knit the new stitches, so the last 2 sts before the MM are: K1, , move MM, k1, p1, k1.  
continue like this for 2 cm.

sl st to 3 sts before first MM, inc1, p1, k1, p1, move MM, k1, p1, k1, p1, inc1.  
Repeat at next MM.

On the next round, the new stitches should be purled, so the last 4 sts before the MM will be: P2, K1, P1, move MM, K1, P1, K1, P2.  
Continue like this for 2 cm.

Knit rib to 3 sts before first MM, inc1, p1, k1, p1, move MM, k1, p1, k1, p1, inc1, p1.

Repeat at the next MM.

You have now increased 16 sts in total, and have (140) 152 (164) 176 (188) 200 (216) sts on the body.

On the next round, knit the new stitches, so the 4 sts before the MM become: K1, P1, K1, P1, move MM, K1, P1, K1, P1, K1.  
Continue like this until the body measures (26) 27 (28) 28 (29) 30 (30) cm or to desired length.

Armholes will now be formed, and the vest will now be worked back and forth. Work rib until 4 sts before the first MM, and cast off 8 sts (4 sts on each side of the MM). Continue in rib until 4 sts before the next MM, and cast off 8 sts again.

You now have (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) sts on the front and back pieces separately.

#### FORWARD PIECE

Knit rib out the row, turn the knitting, cast off 2 sts in rib at the beginning of the row, and knit rib back.

Turn the knitting, cast off 2 sts in rib at the beginning of the row, and knit rib the rest of the row.

You now have (58) 64 (70) 76 (82) 88 (96) sts on the front piece.

Turn the knitting, cast off 2 sts in rib at the beginning of the row, and knit rib the rest of the row.

Turn, cast off 2 sts in rib at the beginning of the row, and work rib the rest of the row. You now have (54) 60 (66) 72 (78) 84 (92) sts on the front piece.

From now on, dec 1 st at the beginning of each row until you have (50) 54 (58) 62 (66) 70 (74) sts left on the row.

Knit until it measures (12) 14 (16) 18 (22) 24 (26) cm from the armpit up, or to desired length.

You can find your ideal measurement by measuring from the nape of your neck to 2 cm down from your armpit. This will vary based on your bust size.

When you have reached this point, shape the neck. Find the middle 6 sts and cast off.

You now have (22) 24 (26) 28 (30) 32 (34) sts on each strap.



The upper part should now be worked separately upwards in rib, while you continue to dec at the beginning of each round starting on the neck side, until you have (18) 20 (22) 24 (24) 24 ) sts on the strap.

From now on ch 1st at the beginning of every round starting at the neck side until you have (14) 15 ) 17 (17) 19 (20) sts on the strap.

It should *not* decrease more on the outside/sleeve side, only for the neck.

Work rib back and forth until the strap measures approx. (8) 9 (10) 11 (12) 13 (15) cm from the neckline, or to desired length.

Cast off in rib.

Repeat on the next strap.

## BACK PIECE

You have (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) sts on the back piece.

Knit rib out the row, turn the knitting, cast off 2 sts in rib at the beginning of the row, and knit rib back.

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From now on, dec 1 st at the beginning of each row until you have (50) 54 (58) 62 (66) 70 (74) sts left on the row.

Continue back and forth in rib until the back piece measures (18) 21 (23) 25 (28) 30 (31) cm.

The neck is now to be shaped. Cast off the (10) 12 (14) 16 (18) 18 (18) middle sts and work the straps separately back and forth, dec 2 sts on each row starting at the neck opening, until you have (14) 15 (16) 17 (17) 19 (20) sts on the strap. Cast off. Repeat on the next strap.

Sew the straps neatly together.

## BACK EDGE

Ribs should eventually be knitted around both the armholes and the neck.

The number of stitches for armholes and neckline is given as an estimate, if you need fewer or more to accommodate how tightly/loosely you pick up, knit rib or cast off, that's perfectly fine.

## Armhole

On 3.5 mm needles, pick up approx. (90) 96 (100) 102 (104) 110 (116) sts around the sleeve -



It is better to pick up too many and cast off more tightly than the opposite, but be careful how loosely or tightly you knit the rib and cast off. This is only guide.

no rib (k1, p1) around for 5 rounds.

Ch 6, knit over knit and purl over purl. Repeat at next armhole.

#### THROAT

The neck is knitted double – this gives a nice, thick neckline.

Pick up approx. (88) 90 (96) 98 (102) 104 (106) sts on needle size 4 mm around the raw edge of the neck opening.

Work rib (k1, p1) in the round for 5 rounds.

Purl 1 round. Knit 5 rounds rib. Cast off on round 6, knit over knit and purl over purl. Sew down the neckline on the inside.

#### EVENTUALLY

Secure any loose threads and steam or block as necessary.

I hope you are happy with your Gondor Vest! If you have any questions or have discovered any errors in the pattern, please contact me via [fabelknitwear@gmail.com](mailto:fabelknitwear@gmail.com)

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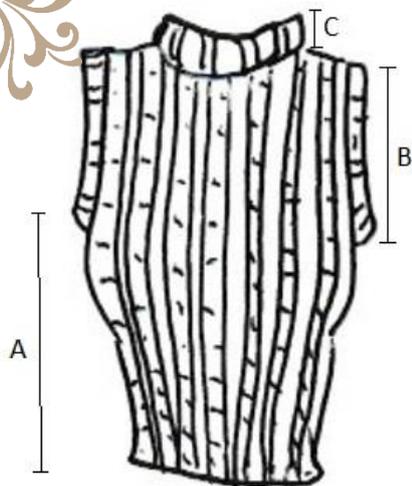
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## ABBREVIATIONS:

**K:** Knit

**P:** Purl

**RS:** Right side

**WS:** Wrong side

**St(s):** Stitches

**SM:** Stitch markers

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## BODY

On 3.5 mm circulars, cast on (124) 136 (148) 160 (172) 184 (200) st(s). Place a SM at the beginning of the round, and after (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) st(s) to mark the other side. The two SMs mark the sides.

Stitch (63) 69 (75) 81 (87) 93 (101), meaning the stitch right after the SM, should be a knit stitch.

Knit a 1x1 rib (K1, P1) in the round for 12 cm.

The vest is now increased to make the body figure-knit, like this: Work ribbed until the first SM, increase 1, move SM, K1, increase 1. Repeat at the next SM.

At the next round the new stitches are purled, so that 2 st(s) before the SM it goes: P2, move SM, K1, P2.

Continue like this for 2 cm.

Work ribbed until 1 st(s) before the first SM, increase 1, P1, move SM, K1, P1, increase 1.

Repeat at the next SM.

At the next round the new stitches are knit, so that 2 st(s) before the SM it goes:



P1, move SM, K1, P1, K1.  
Continue like this for 2 cm.

Work ribbed until 3 dc(s) before the first SM, increase 1, P1, K1, P1, move SM, K1, K1, P1, increase 1.  
Repeat at the next SM.

At the next round the new stitches are purled, so that 4 st(s) before the SM it goes: P2, K1, P1, move SM, K1, P1, K1, P2.  
Continue like this for 2 cm.

Work ribbed until 3 st(s) before the first SM, increase 1, P1, K1, P1, move SM, K1, P1, K1, P1, increase 1, P1.  
Repeat at the next SM.

You have now increased 16 st(s) in total, and have (140) 152 (164) 176 (188) 200 (216) st(s) on the body.

On the next round the new stitches are knit, so that 4 st(s) before the first SM it goes: K1, P1, K1, P1, move SM, K1, P1, K1, P1, K1.  
Continue like this until the body measures (26) 27 (28) 28 (29) 30 (30) cm or until your desired length.

The armholes are now shaped, and the vest is henceforth work back and forth. \* Work ribbed until 4 st(s) remain before the first SM and cast off 8 st(s) ribbed. (4 st(s) on each side of the SM).

Work ribbed until 4 st(s) remain before the next SM and cast off 8 st(s) ribbed.

You now have (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) st(s) on the front and back separately.

## Front piece.

Work ribbed out the row, turn your work around, cast off 2 st(s) at the start of the row, work ribbed back.

Turn your work, cast off 2 st(s), work ribbed out the row. You now have (58) 64 (70) 76 (82) 88 (96) st(s) on the front.

Work ribbed out the row, turn your work around, cast off 2 st(s) at the start of the row, work ribbed back.

Turn your work, cast off 2 st(s), work ribbed out the row. You now have (54) 60 (66) 72 (78) 84 (92) st(s) on the front.

From now on, cast off 1 st(s) at the start of each row (so on both sides), until you have (50) 54 (58) 62 (66) 70 (74) st(s).

Work until your knit measures (12) 14 (16) 18 (22) 24 (26) cm from the armpit and up, or until your desired length. This will vary based on bust-size and how you carry your measurements, so to make it fit perfectly I recommend you measure your bust from the nape of your front-neck down to 2 cm below the armpit.

When you've reached this measurement it's time to start forming the neckline. Find



e 6 middle stitches and cast them off.

u now have (22) 24 (26) 28 (30) 32 (34) st(s) on each strap.

e straps are now worked separately. Continue working the first strap ribbed ile casting off 2 st(s) at the start of the row *only* at the neckline-side of the strap, until you have (18) 20 (22) 24 (24) 24 (26) st(s).

From now on, cast off 1 st(s) at the start of each row that starts on the neckline-side of the strap, until you have (14) 15 (16) 17 (17) 19 (20) st(s).

Work until the strap measures approximately (8) 9 (10) 11 (12) 13 (15) cm measured from where the shaping started, or until your desired length. Cast off ribbed.

Repeat at the next strap.

## Backpiece

You have (62) 68 (74) 80 (86) 92 (100) st(s) on the back.

Work ribbed out the row, turn your work around, cast off 2 st(s) at the start of the row, work ribbed back.

Turn your work, cast off 2 st(s), work ribbed out the row. You now have (58) 64 (70) 76 (82) 88 (96) st(s).

Work ribbed out the row, turn your work around, cast off 2 st(s) at the start of the row, work ribbed back.

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From now on, cast off 1 st(s) at the start of each row until you have (50) 54 (58) 62 (66) 70 (74) st(s).

Continue ribbed until the back piece measures (18) 21 (23) 25 (28) 29 (31) cm from the armpit.

The neck is now shaped. Cast off the (10) 12 (14) 16 (18) 18 (18) middle stitches, and work the straps ribbed separately while casting off 2 st(s) at the start of each row that starts at the neckline, until you have (14) 15 (16) 17 (17) 19 (20) st(s) left on the strap.

Cast off.

Repeat at the next strap.

Stitch the straps neatly together. If you prefer you can also do a 3-needle bind-off instead of sewing.

## Ribbed edges

The armholes and the neckline are all finished with a ribbed hem.

The stitch count for picking up along the armholes and neckline are only estimates, they are not a definite count. If you need fewer or more stitches to suit how tightly you pick up, knit ribbed and cast off that is absolutely fine.

Note that it's better to pick up too many and instead cast off tighter than the opposite.



## armholes

3.5 mm needles, pick up approximately (90) 96 (100) 102 (104) 110 (116) st(s) and the armhole. This is just an estimate - depending on how tightly or loosely u pick up stitches you might need less or more.

rk a 1x1 rib (K1, P1) in the round for 5 rounds. Cast off on the 6th.

Repeat for the second armhole.

## Neckline

The neck is knit double, which gives it a lovely, cozy look and feel.

Pick up approximately (88) 90 (96) 98 (102) 104 (106) st(s) around the neck on 4 mm needles. This count is just an estimate - depending on how tightly or loosely you pick up stitches you might need less or more

Work ribbed (K1, P1) for 5 rounds.

Purl 1 round.

Work another 5 rounds ribbed.

Cast off.

Stitch down the neckline on the inside.

## ALMOST DONE!

Fasten all loose threads and steam or block as necessary.

I hope you'll be happy with your Gondor Vest!

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