

Jean Tee



Pattern

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Tee with a boxy, straight fit, round neck and a trendy wave-lace-pattern in sizes XS | S | M (L | XL | 2XL) 3XL | 4XL | 5XL

Materials:

- Main Colour (e. g. "Birch Bark"): 150 | 150 | 200 (200 | 200 | 250) 250 | 250 | 250 g Hør Silke by Gepard Garn (175 m/50 g) AND
- Contrast Colour (e. g. "Mineral Blue"): 150 | 150 | 150 (200 | 200 | 200) 200 | 250 | 250 g Hør Silke by Gepard Garn (175 m/50 g)
- 3.5 mm circular knitting needles (optional: DPNs/short knitting needles for the sleeves)
- Darning needle
- Stitch markers or leftovers

Knitting Tension:

10x10 cm = 24 sts x 36 rs in pattern on 3.5 mm knitting needles (wet blocked)

Measurements:

Bust Circumference Finished Tee:
85 | 91 | 100 (105 | 113 | 120) 127 | 133 | 142/155 cm with a neutral to positive ease of up to 8 cm

Length Finished Tee:
46 | 46 | 48 (48 | 50 | 50) 52 | 54 | 56 cm – can be adapted individually

Sleeve Length:
around 15 cm from the armpits down – can be adapted individually

Abbreviations:

st(s) = stitch(es)
r(s) = row(s)/round(s)
rsr = right side row
wsr = wrong side row
k = knit
p = purl
SM = stitch marker
k2tog = knit 2 stitches together
skpo = slip 1 knitwise, knit 1 stitch, pull the slipped stitch over the stitch worked

yo = yarn over
MC = main colour
CC = contrast colour

Structure:

The tee is worked top down in one piece in a trendy wave-lace-pattern in two different colours. First of all, the back part is worked back and forth in rows in the wave-lace-pattern with contrasting colours. When the armholes are reached, the stitches for the back part are put to rest on a separate rope/leftover yarn and the front panels are worked separately at first to shape the round neck. Of course, they are worked in the same wave-lace-pattern and in contrasting colours as well. When the front parts are closed to the round and have reached the armholes, the work is joined to the round and the tee is finished in wave-lace-pattern in the round. The body stitches are then bound off with an i-Cord-Edging in the contrasting colour. Now stitches for the sleeves are picked up along the armholes and the sleeves are worked in wave-lace-pattern with contrasting colours in the round, until they measure around 15 cm. The sleeve stitches are bound off with an i-Cord-Edging in the contrasting colour matching the body hem. Finally, stitches are picked up along the neckline to work an applied i-Cord-Edging in the contrasting colour along the round neck.

The fit of the tee is neutral to slightly oversized with a little positive ease. The length is relatively short. The highlight of the design is the trendy wave-lace-pattern, which is emphasized by working with two contrasting colours.

Notes:

Edge Stitches (first and last stitch of every row) are always knit stitches (in rsr and wsr). The edge sts are included into the total number of stitches.

The tee is worked **single strand** (1 strand of Hør Silke or similar yarn meeting the gauge).

Wave-Lace-Pattern: Follow the knitting chart for your size.

Increases to Shape the Round

Neck: In rsr there are increases before the last st (m1r) and after the first st (m1l) to shape the round neck. In wsr, there aren't any increases. The increases are displayed on the knitting chart as well.

Make 1 right: Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the st you have just knitted and the next st from back to front and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the front loop.

Make 1 left: Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the st you have just knitted and the next st you are going to knit from front to back and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the back loop so that it is twisted.

Please read carefully through the whole pattern before you start knitting, because you will have to work with knitting charts and written instructions at the same time!

Body

The entire tee is worked in a wave-lace-pattern, top down and in one piece. First of all, the back part is worked back and forth in rows, until the armholes are reached. The front panels are then worked along the shoulder line of the back part – separately at first – and increases are shaping the round neck. When the front panels are joined, the front part is finished in one piece matching the back part. Then, back and front part are joined to the round under the armpits and the tee is finished in wave-lace-pattern in the round. The knitting charts for front and back part are displayed on the following pages.

One **pattern repeat of the wave-lace-pattern** is worked as follows:

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	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			

R 1 – 12 are repeated steadily to achieve the desired length. Boxes 1 – 17 are repeated steadily to achieve the desired width. There are only displayed the right side rows (odd rounds). For the wrong side rows, read carefully through the notes for the symbols below. One box is one stitch in one row/round. Remember the following notes:

-  = yo in rsr (odd rounds), p in wsr/k in even rounds
-  = skpo in rsr (odd rounds), p in wsr/k in even rounds
-  = k2tog in rsr (odd rounds), p in wsr/k in even rounds
-  = 1 stitch in garter stitch in the CC (in rows: k in rsr, k in wsr; in the round: k in odd rounds, p in even rounds)
-  = 1 stitch in stockinette stitch in the MC (in rows: k in rsr, p in wsr; in the round: always knit)

The knitting chart is read from right to left and from bottom to top. One box is one stitch in one row/round.

Back Part

Start with the back part. Cast on 105 | 105 | 121 (121 | 121 | 139) 155 | 155 | 155 sts on your 3.5 mm knitting needles with 1 strand of yarn in the MC and with your preferred cast-on-method (e. g. Longtail-Cast-On). The first row after casting on is a wsr (p all sts except the edge sts). From the next rsr onwards, follow R 1 of the knitting chart for the back part for your size. Work only the boxes between the red lines for your size!

IMPORTANT: The edge sts are included into the total number of sts, but they are NOT DISPLAYED IN THE KNITTING CHART! But remember to knit the first and last stitch in every rsr and wsr.

Remember to work according to the colour change (* 6 rs in the MC in lace pattern/stockinette stitch, 6 rs in the CC in garter stitch*, repeat from * to * steadily).

Work until you reach the horizontal red line for your size. End with a wsr. Put the sts of the back part to rest on another rope/leftover yarn, cut the yarn and start with the front parts.

Front Part(s)

The front parts are worked by picking up stitches along the back panel. To shape the round neck, they are worked separately at first. By closing the round neck, the two front parts are joined and the front part is finished like the back part.



Start with the left front part.

Left Front Part:

Pick up 36 | 36 | 44 (44 | 44 | 53) 61 | 61 | 61 sts with your 3.5 mm knitting needles, 1 strand of your MC along the back part (see picture above). In the next wsr, p all sts (except the edge sts). From the next rsr onwards, follow R 1 of the knitting chart of the left front part for your size. Remember to work according to the colour change.

IMPORTANT: The edge st along the round neck IS DISPLAYED on the knitting chart, but the edge st along the armhole IS NOT DISPLAYED on the knitting chart, but of course you have to work it (always a knit stitch).

From R 13 onwards, the round neck is shaped with increases. Therefore, m1l after the first st in every rsr. Work all other sts according to the knitting chart. Repeat the increases every rsr in total 9 times. Remember to work according to the colour change. End with a wsr. Put the sts to rest on another rope/leftover yarn and start with the right front part.

Right Front Part:

Pick up 36 | 36 | 44 (44 | 44 | 53) 61 | 61 | 61 sts with your 3.5 mm knitting needles and 1 strand of your MC along the back part (see picture above). In the next wsr, p all sts (except the edge sts). From the next rsr onwards, follow R 1 of the knitting chart of the right front part for your size. Remember to work according to the colour change.

IMPORTANT: The edge st along the round neck IS DISPLAYED on the knitting chart, but the edge st along the armhole IS NOT DISPLAYED on the knitting chart, but of course you have to work it (always a knit stitch).

From R 13 onwards, the round neck is shaped with increases. Therefore, m1r before the last st in every rsr. Work all other sts according to the knitting chart. Repeat the increases every rsr in total 9 times. Remember to work according to the colour change. End with a wsr and cut the yarn (colour change in the next row). Now both parts are joined.

Joining the Front Parts:

In R 31 the front parts are joined. Start with the right front part. Work all sts according to R 31 of the knitting chart for your size. There are NO INCREASES for the round neck. After the last st, cast on 15 new sts. Pick up the resting sts for the left front part. Work all sts according to R 31 of the knitting chart for your size. You should now have 105 | 105 | 121 (121 | 121 | 139) 155 | 155 | 155 sts on your knitting needles. In the next wsr, work all sts according to the knitting charts/notes for the symbols.

Finishing the Front Parts:

The front part is now worked according to the knitting chart for your size, until you reach the red horizontal line for your size. End with a wsr. In the next step, back and front part are joined to the round.

Body

Connection of Back and Front Part for Sizes S, L, XL, 2XL, 4XL, 5XL:

R - | 61 | - (61 | 67 | 67) - | 73 | 73 (rsr): Start with the front part. Work all sts according to the established wave-lace-pattern. Cast on - | 4 | - (4 | 15 | 4) - | 4 | 15 new sts after the last st. Work all sts of the back part according to the established wave-lace-pattern. Cast on - | 4 | - (4 | 15 | 4) - | 4 | 15/32 new sts. Place a SM – this is your beginning of the round (= - | 218 | - (250 | 272 | 286) - | 318 | 340/374 sts).

Connection of Back and Front Part for Size XS:

R 61 | - | - (- | - | -) - | - | - (rsr): Start with the front part. To make the wave-lace-pattern work out, you have to DECREASE sts at the beginning and end of the front and back part! Work as follows: Cut the yarn. Slip the first 2 sts of the front part knitwise, work the next sts according to the established wave-lace-pattern, until there are 2 sts left. Slip 2 sts knitwise. Pick up the back part, k2tog. Pull the slipped sts of the front part over the sts you have knitted together on the back part. Continue to work the sts of the back part according to established wave-lace-pattern, until there are 2 sts left. Slip 2 sts knitwise, pick up the front

part, k2tog (the sts you have slipped when starting with the front part). Pull the slipped sts of the back part over the sts you have knitted together on the front part (= 204 | - | - (- | - | -) - | - | - sts). The pattern will now work out perfectly.

Connection of Back and Front Part for Sizes M and 3XL:

R - | - | 61 (- | - | -) 73 | - | - (rsr): Start with the front part. To make the wave-lace-pattern work out, you have to DECREASE sts at the beginning and end of the front and back part. Meaning for the front part, work a CDD (slip 2 sts knitwise, knit 1 stitch, pull the slipped stitches over the stitch worked) instead of a skpo. Then, work all sts according to the established wave-lace-pattern, until there are 3 sts left and k3tog (instead of k2tog). Now you have decreased the edge stitches of the front panels.

Pick up the stitches of the back part and repeat the instructions of the front part to decrease the edge stitches. Work all other sts according to the established wave-lace-pattern (= - | - | 238 (- | - | -) 306 | - | - sts).

Finishing the Body

Work all sts in the established wave-lace-pattern in the round. The new sts under the armpits are integrated into the wave-lace-pattern as follows:

Sizes S, L, 2XL, 4XL: The edge sts and the 4 new sts under each armpit are worked in stockinette stitch in the sections worked with the MC and in garter stitch in sections with the CC. Meaning the wave-lace-pattern is not working out completely for these sizes under the armpits. It won't be that visible, but if you prefer to avoid the rupture of the wave-lace-pattern, cast on - | 14 | - (15 | - | 14) - | 15 | - new sts under the armpits – then the wave-lace-pattern is working out perfectly, BUT your tee will be wider around the bust (and you will need more yarn). Alternatively, you can decrease the edge sts (- 4 sts) to make the wave-lace-pattern work out.

Sizes XL and 5XL: The edge sts and the new sts under the armpits are integrated as a new pattern repeat like displayed on p. 3 into the wave-lace-pattern. If you have casted on 32 sts under each armpit for size 5XL, you work in total 2 new pattern repeats for the new sts under the armpits + the edge sts.

Sizes XS, M and 3XL: There aren't any new sts – you have decreased the edge sts (or more for size XS) to make the wave-lace-pattern work out perfectly. If you prefer to have more positive ease/ a looser fit around the armpits, follow the instructions of the other sizes (cast on 4/14/15 new sts under the armpits). You will then have more positive ease and will probably need more yarn.

Work all sts in wave-lace-pattern by alternating between the MC and the CC, until the tee measures around 46 | 46 | 48 (48 | 50 | 50) 52 | 54 | 56 cm from the neckline at the middle of the back part down – or until you have reached your individually preferred length. End with a lace-pattern-repeat in the MC (R 6). Change to your CC and knit one round all sts in the CC. Then, cast off all sts with an i-Cord-Edging in the CC.

i-Cord-Edging

Cut the yarn and cast on 3 new sts on your 3.5 mm knitting needles with 1 strand of yarn in your CC. Slip the sts back on the knitting needle in your left hand, the yarn behind your work. Then, work as follows:

1. *k2, k2tog through the back loop (1 i-Cord-stitch together with 1 body stitch). Slip the sts back on the knitting needle in your left hand, the yarn behind the work.*
2. Repeat from * to * steadily, until you have bound off all body stitches. Then, cast off the i-Cord-stitches as well and close beginning and end of the i-Cord-Edging with the mattress stitch.

In case you need visual assistance for this technique, you can watch a YouTube-Tutorial for the (applied) i-Cord-Edging here: <https://youtu.be/hEHGskgFJ1M>

Sleeves

The sleeves are now worked in wave-lace-pattern in the round. Therefore, pick up stitches for the sleeve along the armholes. Use your MC (single strand) and your 3.5 mm knitting needles. You should pick up 68 | 68 | 85 (85 | 85 | 85) 102 | 102 | 119 sts evenly along the armholes and armpits. Place a SM directly under the armpits – this is your beginning of the round.

Now, repeat R 1 of the wave-lace-pattern shown on p. 3 in total 4 | 4 | 5 (5 | 5 | 5) 6 | 6 | 7 times. Continue to work the whole chart, until the sleeve measures around 14 cm from the armpits down – or until you have reached your individually preferred length. End with a section in the lace-pattern in the MC (R 6).

Change to the CC and work all sts in stockinette stitch for the next round. Then, repeat the instructions for the i-Cord-Edging of the body to bind off the sleeve stitches in the CC.

Repeat the instructions for the 2nd sleeve.

i-Cord-Edging along the Neckline

Pick up sts along the neckline. Therefore, use your 3.5 mm knitting needles and 1 strand of yarn in your CC. Start in the middle (or at the side) of the back and end there too. I recommend to pick up 1 st per 1 st and 2 sts per 3 rs. If you have a looser knitting tension, I recommend to pick up 1 st per 2 rs. If you have a tighter knitting tension, I recommend to pick up 1 st per 1 r. Alternatively, you can adjust the needle size to match your knitting tension. Your total number of sts therefore depends on your individual knitting tension.

Repeat the instructions for the i-Cord-Edging of the body to work an applied i-Cord-Edging along the neckline in the CC.

Knitting Charts

Knitting Charts for Back and Front Part

On the following page you will find knitting charts for both front parts and the back part. Please note: There is one knitting chart for ALL SIZES for front part and back part. Meaning you will have to work the section of the chart between the vertical red lines for your size. Work according to the chart until you reach the horizontal line for your size (including the wsr).

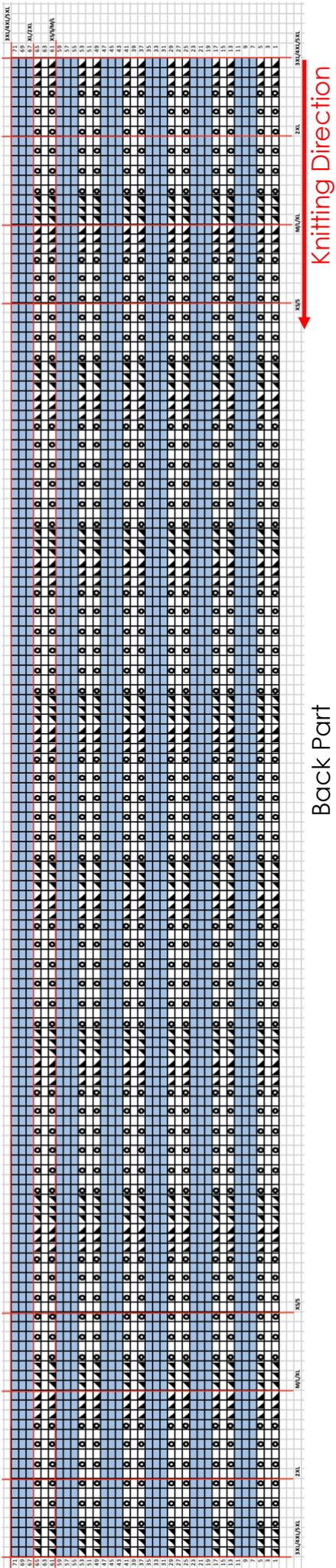
!!! The edge sts of the back part are NOT DISPLAYED on the chart, but of course you have to work them at the beginning and the end of every row. The edge sts for the front part are ONLY DISPLAYED ALONG THE ROUND NECK – along the armholes, the edge stitches are not displayed, but of course you have to work them !!!

Notes: Follow the knitting chart and work the sts between the vertical red lines for your size, until you reach the horizontal red line for your size. One box is one stitch in one row. There are only displayed the rsr (odd rows). The increases for the round neck are always worked in a rsr. The increases are shown on the knitting chart as well. The chart is read from right to left and from bottom to top (your knitting direction).

Symbols:

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-  = 1 stitch in stockinette stitch in the MC (in rows: k in rsr, p in wsr; in the round: always knit)
-  = increase for the round neck (m1l along the left front part, m1r along the right front part, in wsr work according to the wave-lace-pattern)

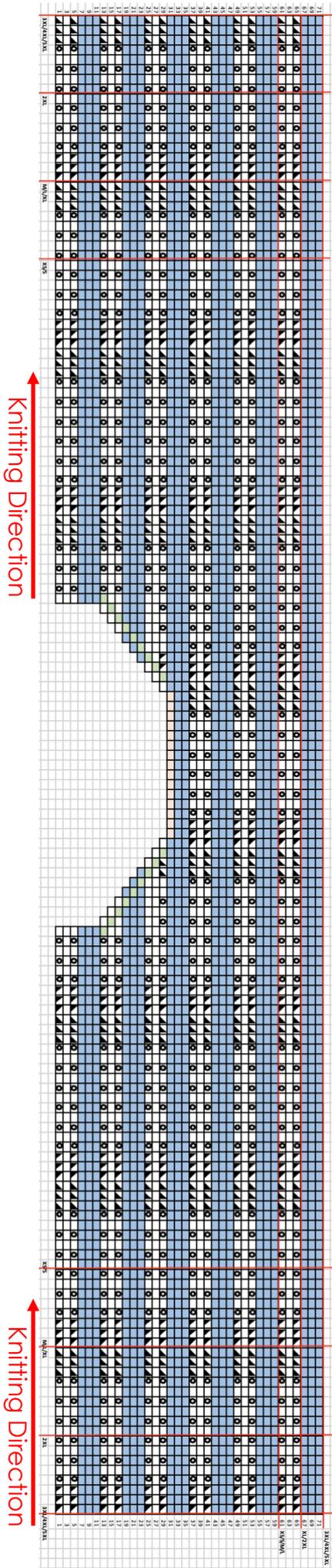
Knitting Charts Front and Back Part – ALL SIZES:



Back Part

Left Front Part

Right Front Part



Completion

Wet block your tee and let it dry flat. Weave in all ends.

Your new handmade Jean Tee is finished!

I would be thrilled to see your results! If you like, share your work on Instagram with the Hashtag **#jeantee** and my tag **@kolibri.by_johanna**



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