

Sizes

(XXS) XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL)

Measurements

Circumference:

(91) 96 (101) 106 (111) 119 (123) 131 (139) cm
[(35 $\frac{7}{8}$) 37 $\frac{3}{4}$ (39 $\frac{3}{4}$) 41 $\frac{3}{4}$ (43 $\frac{3}{4}$) 46 $\frac{3}{4}$
(48 $\frac{1}{2}$) 51 $\frac{1}{2}$ (54 $\frac{3}{4}$) inches]

Length:

(51) 52 (52) 53 (54) 55 (56) 57 (58) cm
[(20) 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ (20 $\frac{1}{2}$) 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ (21 $\frac{1}{4}$) 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ (22)
22 $\frac{1}{2}$ (22 $\frac{7}{8}$) inches]

Sleeve length:

(40) 41 (41) 42 (42) 43 (43) 44 (45) cm
[(15 $\frac{3}{4}$) 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ (16 $\frac{1}{4}$) 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ (16 $\frac{1}{2}$) 17 (17) 17 $\frac{3}{8}$
(17 $\frac{3}{4}$) inches]

Gauge

21 sts x 30 rows in stockinette stitch
using 4 mm [US 6] needles measuring
10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches]

Needles

Circular needles 3.5 mm [US 4]
(40 and 80 cm [16 and 32 inches])
Circular needles 4 mm [US 6]
(40 and 80 cm [16 and 32 inches])
Double pointed needles 3.5 mm [US 4]

Materials

Sunday by Sandnes Garn:
(250) 300 (300) 300 (350) 350 (350) 350
(400) grams
held together with
Tynn Silk Mohair by Sandnes Garn:
(125) 150 (150) 175 (200) 200 (200) 200
(200) grams



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Klara Blouse

About the design

The Klara Blouse is a feminine stockinette sweater with balloon sleeves and a matching collar. The blouse is knitted from the top down with raglan increases on the yoke.

The first part of the yoke is knitted back and forth, and then the rest of the sweater is knitted in the round on circular needles. The body has a folded hem at the bottom, while the sleeves and neck edge are finished with an i-cord edge.

The collar is knitted separately with a wavy edge shaped using short rows and features an i-cord edge and i-cord ties. The collar is also knitted from the top down. The design is seamless.

Size guide

The recommended positive ease is approximately 11 cm [4 ¼ inches]. Measure yourself around the chest or the widest point of your torso and add 11 cm [4 ¼ inches] to determine which size to knit. The garment's finished measurements when knitted at gauge can be found on the first page of this pattern.

The various sizes are intended for a bust circumference of approximately (80) 85 (90) 95 (100) 108 (112) 120 (128) cm [(31½) 33½ (35½) 37½ (39¼) 42½ (44) 47¼ (50⅜) inches].

Abbreviations

BO = bind off

BOR = beginning of round

CO = cast on

k = knit

k2tog = knit two stitches together

m = marker

p = purl

pm = place marker

rnd/rnds = round/rounds

RS = right side of work

sm = slip marker from the left to right needle

st/sts = stitch, stitches

tbl = through the back loop(s)

WS = wrong side of work

Increases

M1R:

Insert the left needle under the thread between two sts from the back and knit.

M1L:

Insert the left needle under the thread between two sts from the front and knit through the back loop.

Blouse

Yoke

CO (68) 68 (68) 70 (70) 72 (72) 74 (74) sts with one strand of each yarn type held together using 4 mm [US 6] needles. Knit a row (WS) while placing 8 markers as follows: p2, pm, p1, pm, p14, pm, p1, pm, p (32) 32 (32) 34 (34) 36 (36) 38 (38), pm, p1, pm, p14, pm, p1, pm, p2

The work is then worked back and forth with raglan increases and increases for the neck edge as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, **M1L**, *k to m, **M1R**, sm, k1, sm, **M1L***, repeat from * to * a total of 4 times, k until there is 1 st left on the row, **M1R**, k1 (= 10 sts increased)

Row 2 (WS): P all sts

Repeat rows 1-2 a total of 7 times. You have now increased 70 sts and have (138) 138 (138) 140 (140) 142 (142) 144 (144) sts on the needle; 16 sts for each front piece, 28 sts for each sleeve, (46) 46 (46) 48 (48) 50 (50) 52 (52) sts for the back piece, and 4 raglan sts.

Now the work will be joined and knitted in the round in stockinette stitch.

Knit row 1 once more (10 sts increased) and then CO (12) 12 (12) 14 (14) 16 (16) 18 (18) sts in extension using the backwards loop method.

Break the yarn and then join the yarn at the marker before the raglan st on the left side of the back piece (BOR). Knit 1 rnd. You now have (160) 160 (160) 164 (164) 168 (168) 172 (172) sts on the needle.



Raglan increases are now knitted every other rnd as follows:

Row 1: K the raglan st, sm, **M1L** *k to m, **M1R**, sm, k1, sm, **M1L***, repeat from *-* a total of 3 times, k to m, **M1R** (= 8 sts increased)

Row 2: K all sts

Repeat rows 1-2 a total of (21) 23 (25) 27 (27) 29 (30) 31 (29) times. You have now knitted a total of (29) 31 (33) 35 (35) 37 (38) 39 (37) rnds with raglan increases and have (328) 344 (360) 380 (380) 400 (408) 420 (404) sts on the needle.

Size XS, S and M:

The yoke is complete.

Proceed to the "Body" section.

Sizes L, XL and 2XL: Continue raglan increases as described above (row 1 only) a total of (0) 0 (0) 0 (2) 4 (5) 7 (13) times. There are now (328) 344 (360) 380 (396) 432 (448) 476 (508) sts on the needle.

Body

Divide the work to separate the sts for the sleeves and body as follows: knit (90) 94 (98) 104 (108) 118 (122) 130 (138) sts from the back piece and 1 raglan st. Place the (72) 76 (80) 84 (88) 96 (100) 106 (114) sleeve sts on hold using a stitch holder or scrap yarn. CO (4) 5 (6) 5 (6) 5 (5) 6 (6) sts in extension using the backwards loop method and knit 1 raglan st. Repeat in the same way over the front piece and the other sleeve.

Place a marker in the middle of the left underarm. This is now BOR.

The body now has (192) 202 (212) 222 (232) 250 (258) 276 (292) sts. Knit in stockinette stitch until the work measures (51) 52 (52) 53 (54) 55 (56) 57 (58) cm [(20) 20 ½ (20 ½) 20 ¾ (21 ¼) 21 ¾ (22) 22 ½ (22 ⅞) inches] from the top of the shoulder at the neck opening.

The model is somewhat short in length, so feel free to try the sweater on along the way and adjust the length if necessary.

When the desired length is achieved, knit a folded hem to finish the body. Change to 3.5 mm [US 4] needles, purl 1 rnd (folding edge), and then knit 3 cm [1¼ inches] of stockinette stitch. BO loosely and break the yarn with a tail long enough to sew down the hem.

Fold the hem along the folding edge (purl round) on the WS and sew down the hem loosely into the WS of the work. Sew down every st on the BO edge and be careful not to sew the hem crookedly.

Video on how to sew a folded edge:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZLITWxOc0w>

Neck edge

An i-cord edge is worked around the neckline for a neat finish. Using 3.5 mm [US 4] needles, pick up (112) 112 (112) 116 (116) 120 (120) 124 (124) sts along the neck edge. This corresponds to picking up 1 st for every st along the neckline.

BOR is at one of the raglan sts on the back piece.

CO on 3 sts with your preferred method and then knit an i-cord edge as follows:

K2, k2tog tbl, slip the last 3 sts back to the left needle. Repeat from *-* until all sts on the needle are worked. Break the yarn and sew the ends of the i-cord edge together.

Video on how to sew the ends of an i-cord edge together:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JGpr03uSw3w>



Sleeves

Transfer the (72) 76 (80) 84 (88) 96 (100) 106 (114) sleeve sts on hold onto 4 mm [US 6] needles and pick up (4) 5 (6) 5 (6) 5 (5) 6 (6) sts in the (4) 5 (6) 5 (6) 5 (5) 6 (6) underarm sts.

There are now (76) 81 (86) 89 (94) 101 (105) 112 (120) sts on the needle. Place a marker in the middle of the underarm to mark BOR. Knit in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 37 cm [14 ½ inches] from the underarm. Feel free to try on the sweater and adjust the sleeve length if necessary.

The pleats and i-cord edge will measure approximately (3) 4 (4) 5 (5) 6 (6) 7 (8) cm [(1 ¼) 1½ (1 ½) 2 (2) 2 ¼ (2 ¼) 2 ¾ (3 ⅛) inches].

You will now work decreases to shape the balloon sleeve. Start by placing 7 additional markers as evenly spaced as possible. The number of stitches between each marker will not be the same, which is expected. There are now a total of 8 markers, and these mark where you will decrease.

Work decreases as follows:

Row 1: *K2tog, k to m, sm* repeat until end of round (= 8 sts decreased)

Row 2: K all sts

Repeat rows 1-2 a total of (4) 5 (5) 6 (6) 7 (8) 9 (10) times. There are now (44) 41 (46) 41 (46) 45 (41) 40 (40) sts on the needle.

Knit 1 rnd where you k2tog (4) 1 (6) 1 (6) 5 (1) 0 (0) times at the start of each pleat that has more than 5 sts. There are now 40 sts on the needle.

Change to 3.5 mm [US 4] needles and BO using i-cord as described for the neck edge.



Collar

The collar comes in 3 sizes:
XXS-M (L-2XL) 3XL-4XL

CO 112 sts with a strand of each yarn type held together using 3.5 mm [US 4] needles. Place a marker for every 10 sts, 1 extra st at each edge.

The selvedge st is the first st of each row and is worked as follows:

Selvedge st from the RS:

Slip the first st knitwise with yarn in back

Selvedge st from the WS:

Slip the first st purlwise with yarn in front

Knit 3 rows in stockinette stitch with a selvedge st on each side. The first row is worked from the WS of the work.



In creases

Row 1 (RS): Selvedge st, *k to m, sm, **M1L*** repeat from *-* to end of row (= 10 sts increased)

Row 2 (WS): Selvedge st, p to end of row

Row 3 (RS): Selvedge st, *k to m, **M1R**, sm* repeat from *-* to end of row (= 10 sts increased)

Row 4 (WS): Repeat row 2

Repeat rows 1-4 a total of 8 (9) 10 times. You now have 272 (292) 312 sts on the needle; 26 (28) 30 sts between each marker and 19 (20) 21 sts at the outer ends.

Now work short rows to shape the wavy edge. A wave is worked between each marker. Use the German Short Row Improved method for an almost invisible result.

The first and last waves are "half waves," while the rest are "full waves."

Video on the German Short Rows Improved Method:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Zri7mJqes0>

First Half Wave

Row 1 (RS): Selvedge st, k 6 (7) 8, turn

Row 2 (WS): 1 turning st, p to end

Row 3 (RS): Selvedge st, k to 2 sts after last turn, turn

Row 4 (WS): Repeat Row 2

Repeat Rows 3-4 until you reach the marker. The last turn is at the marker. You have now turned 7 times.

From the RS, k across the 19 (20) 21 sts for the half wave. Now proceed to the second wave, which is a full wave.

Full Wave

Row 1 (RS): K 16 (18) 20, turn

Row 2 (WS): 1 turning st, p 5 (7) 9, turn

Row 3 (RS): 1 turning st, k to 2 sts after last turn, turn

Row 4 (WS): 1 turning st, p to 2 sts after last turn, turn

Repeat Rows 3-4 a total of 5 times.

You have now worked a full wave with 6 turns on each side. Make 1 turning st and k across all 25 (27) 29 sts in the wave from the RS. You have now completed a full wave.

Repeat the same process for all full waves. When you reach the last marker, which is the marker for the outermost half wave, sm and k to the end of the row.

The last half wave is now worked from the WS.

Last Half Wave

Row 1 (WS): Selvedge st, p 6 (7) 8, turn

Row 2 (RS): 1 turning st, k to end

Row 3 (WS): Selvedge st, p to 2 sts after last turn, turn

Row 4 (RS): Repeat Row 2

Repeat Rows 3-4 a total of 6 times.

The last turn is at the marker. You have now turned 7 times.

You have now completed the short rows of the collar. Break the yarn and join a new yarn on the opposite side of the collar from the RS. BO all sts loosely.

If the waves on the collar curl, this will straighten out after washing and blocking.



Collar Ties

The ties at the neck opening of the collar are worked as i-cords. First, work one i-cord tie, and in continuation of this, work an i-cord edge along the neck edge of the collar, which transitions directly into the tie on the other side.

Pick up sts for the neck edge as follows:
Using US 4 (3.5 mm) needles, pick up 1 st in every st along the CO edge of the collar from the RS. You now have 112 sts on the needle. Break the yarn and leave the sts on hold.

Use two 3.5 mm [US 4] double pointed needles to knit the i-cord tie as follows:
CO 3 sts, *slip the 3 sts from the left to the right needle without turning the work, keep the yarn on the WS, and k the 3 sts from the RS*.
Repeat from *-* until the i-cord measures 15¾ inches. Note the number of rows worked so that both ties are the same length.

Without breaking the yarn, proceed to work an i-cord edge along the neck edge of the collar. See the instructions for the i-cord edge under the “Neck Edge” section of the sweater.

When all picked-up sts have been worked, continue with a regular i-cord over 3 sts as described above. Work this i-cord to the same length as the first tie. BO all sts.

Finishing

Weave in all loose ends discreetly on the WS of the work. Wash and block the sweater and collar to the specified measurements.

The collar looks best if it is dried flat in a circle without being folded. If necessary, use pins to flatten and shape the waves.





Klara Blouse

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