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CUMULUS TEE O-NECK



Sizes:	XXS (XS) S (M) L (XL) 2XL (3XL) 4XL (5XL)
Bust circumference:	84 (87) 93 (97) 101 (110) 120 (131) 141 (151) cm [33 (34¼) 36½ (38¼) 39¾ (43¼) 47¼ (51½) 55½ (59½) inches]
Length:	48 (49) 50 (53) 55 (57) 59 (61) 63 (64) cm [19 (19¼) 19¾ (20¾) 21¾ (22½) 23¼ (24) 24¾ (25¼) inches]
Gauge:	28 sts x 40 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] in stockinette stitch on 3 mm [US2½] needles after blocking
Needles:	Circular needles: 3 mm [US2½] / 60, 80 and/or 100 cm [24, 32 and/or 40 inches], 2.5 mm [US1½] / 40 and 80 cm [16 and 32 inches] Double-pointed needles: 3 mm [US2½] and 2.5 mm [US1½]
Materials:	150-200 (200) 200 (200) 250 (250) 250-300 (300) 300 (300) g Pure Silk by Knitting for Olive (50 g = 250 m [273 yds]) or 200 (200) 250 (250) 300 (300) 300 (350) 350 (350) g Tynn Line by Sandnes Garn (50 g = 220 m [240 yds])

PATTERN

The Cumulus Tee O-neck is worked from the top down in stockinette stitch with two strands of thin mohair/silk yarn held together throughout. The design has a round neck. All edges are finished with i-cord.

Size guide

The Cumulus Tee O-neck is designed to have approx. 4 cm [1½ inches] of positive ease. The sizes XXS (XS) S (M) L (XL) 2XL (3XL) 4XL (5XL) are designed to fit a bust circumference of 75-80 (80-85) 85-90 (90-95) 95-100 (100-110) 110-120 (120-130) 130-140 (140-150) cm [29½-31½ (31½-33½) 33½-35½ (35½-37½) 37½-39½ (39½-43¼) 43¼-47¼ (47¼-51¼) 51¼-55 (55-59) inches]. The measurements for the finished tee can be found on the front page of the pattern. Measure yourself before beginning your project, to determine which size will fit you the best. For example, if you measure 89 cm [35 inches] around your bust (or around the widest part of your upper body) you should knit a size S. A size S tee has a bust circumference of 93 cm [36½ inches] which in the given example would give you 4 cm [1½ inches] of positive ease.

About raglan increases

The raglan increases are worked on either side of a central raglan stitch, so they slant either right (M1R) or left (M1L). The raglan stitch is worked in stockinette stitch, as a regular stitch. The increases are worked as follows:

- M1R:** Insert left needle under the strand between the stitches from back to front, then knit this strand through the front loop.
- M1L:** Insert left needle under the strand between the stitches from front to back, then knit this strand through the back loop (twisted).

Yoke

The yoke is first worked back and forth on the circular needles, while forming the neck, then joined in the round for the rest of the tee.

Cast on 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 74 (78) 80 (80) sts on 3 mm [US2½] 60 cm [24 inches] circular needles, with your preferred cast-on method. The first row is a WS row.

Purl across 1 row. The next row is a RS row.

Divide the work into sleeves, front and back by placing the following markers on either side of each of the 4 raglan sts as follows:

1 stitch (left front), place marker, 1 raglan st, place marker, 12 (12) 12 (12) 14 (14) 14 (16) 16 (16) sts (left sleeve), place marker, 1 raglan st, place marker, 38 (38) 38 (38) 38 (38) 40 (40) 42 (42) sts (back), place marker, 1 raglan st, place marker, 12 (12) 12 (12) 14 (14) 14 (16) 16 (16) sts (right sleeve), place marker, 1 raglan st, place marker, 1 stitch (right front).

Now work back and forth in stockinette stitch, while working raglan increases on **every RS row**, as follows:

Row 1 (RS): * Knit to marker, **M1R**, k1 (raglan st), **M1L** *, repeat from * to * a total of 4 times, knit to end of row (8 sts have been increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Row 1 and 2 a total of 8 times. There are now a total of 132 (132) 132 (132) 136 (136) 138 (142) 144 (144) sts on the needles. The next row is a RS row.

Distribution of stitches:

9 sts (left front), 1 raglan st, 28 (28) 28 (28) 30 (30) 30 (32) 32 (32) sts (left sleeve), 1 raglan st, 54 (54) 54 (54) 54 (54) 56 (56) 58 (58) sts (back), 1 raglan st, 28 (28) 28 (28) 30 (30) 30 (32) 32 (32) sts (right sleeve), 1 raglan st, 9 sts (right front).

Continue working back and forth in stockinette stitch with raglan increases **while at the same time** work increases at the beginning and end of every RS row to shape the neckline. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, **M1L**, * knit to marker, **M1R**, k1 (raglan st), **M1L** *, repeat from * to * a total of 4 times, knit to the last stitch on the needle, **M1R**, k1 (10 sts have been increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Row 1 and 2 a total of 6 (6) 6 (6) 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 (7) times. There are now a total of 192 (192) 192 (192) 196 (196) 208 (212) 214 (214) sts on the needles.

Distribution of stitches:

21 (21) 21 (21) 21 (21) 23 (23) 23 (23) sts (left front), 1 raglan st, 40 (40) 40 (40) 42 (42) 44 (46) 46 (46) sts (left sleeve), 1 raglan st, 66 (66) 66 (66) 66 (66) 70 (70) 72 (72) sts (back), 1 raglan st, 40 (40) 40 (40) 42 (42) 44 (46) 46 (46) sts (right sleeve), 1 raglan st, 21 (21) 21 (21) 21 (21) 23 (23) 23 (23) sts (right front).

Join the yoke to work in the round on the circular needles, as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, **M1L**, * knit to marker, **M1R**, k1 (raglan st), **M1L** *, repeat from * to * a total of 4 times, knit to the last stitch on the needle, **M1R**, k1, cast on 22 (22) 22 (22) 22 (22) 22 (22) 24 (24) new sts with the backward loop method at the end of the row. Knit to the raglan stitch between the front and the left sleeve. The round now begins here. There are now a total of 224 (224) 224 (224) 228 (228) 240 (244) 248 (248) sts on the needles.

Knit across 1 round.

Distribution of stitches:

1 raglan st, 42 (42) 42 (42) 44 (44) 46 (48) 48 (48) sts (left sleeve), 1 raglan st, 68 (68) 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 74 (74) sts (back), 1 raglan st, 42 (42) 42 (42) 44 (44) 46 (48) 48 (48) sts (right sleeve), 1 raglan st, 68 (68) 68 (68) 68 (68) 72 (72) 74 (74) sts (front).

Work in the round in stockinette stitch, while working raglan increases **every other round**. Change to a longer circular needle (80 or 100 cm / 32 or 40 inches) when required to accommodate the increasing number of sts.

Work as follows:

Round 1: * K1 (raglan st), **M1L**, knit to marker, **M1R** *, repeat from * to * to end of round (8 sts have been increased).

Round 2: Knit across.

Work Round 1 and 2 a total of 20 (22) 23 (24) 24 (23) 22 (22) 22 (22) times. There are now a total of 384 (400) 408 (416) 420 (412) 416 (420) 424 (424) sts on the needles. A total of 35 (37) 38 (39) 39 (38) 38 (38) 38 (38) rows/rounds of raglan increases have now been worked.

Distribution of stitches:

1 raglan st, 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts (left sleeve), 1 raglan st, 108 (112) 114 (116) 116 (114) 116 (116) 118 (118) sts (back), 1 raglan st, 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts (right sleeve), 1 raglan st, 108 (112) 114 (116) 116 (114) 116 (116) 118 (118) sts (front).

The total number of sts for the sleeves has now been achieved, so now increases are worked **only on the body**. Work as follows:

Round 1: K1 (raglan st), knit across left sleeve, k1 (raglan st), **M1L**, knit across back, **M1R**, k1 (raglan st), knit across right sleeve, k1 (raglan st), **M1L**, knit across front, **M1R** (4 sts have been increased).

Work this round a total of 2 (1) 3 (5) 7 (13) 18 (24) 28 (33) times. There are now a total of 392 (404) 420 (436) 448 (464) 488 (516) 536 (556) sts on the needles. A total of 37 (38) 41 (44) 46 (51) 56 (62) 66 (71) rows/rounds of raglan increases have now been worked.

Distribution of stitches:

1 raglan st, 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts (left sleeve), 1 raglan st, 112 (114) 120 (126) 130 (140) 152 (164) 174 (184) sts (back), 1 raglan st, 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts (right sleeve), 1 raglan st, 112 (114) 120 (126) 130 (140) 152 (164) 174 (184) sts (front).

Body

Now divide the sts for sleeves and body while casting on new sts at the underarms as follows (see video at www.petiteknit.com):

K1 (raglan st), place the next 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts on a stitch holder (left sleeve), cast on 4 (6) 8 (8) 10 (12) 14 (18) 22 (26) sts using the backward loop method, k1 (raglan st), knit 112 (114) 120 (126) 130 (140) 152 (164) 174 (184) sts (back), k1 (raglan st), place the next 82 (86) 88 (90) 92 (90) 90 (92) 92 (92) sts on a stitch holder (right sleeve), cast on 4 (6) 8 (8) 10 (12) 14 (18) 22 (26) sts using the backward loop method, k1 (raglan st), knit 112 (114) 120 (126) 130 (140) 152 (164) 174 (184) sts (front).

There are now a total of 236 (244) 260 (272) 284 (308) 336 (368) 396 (424) sts on the needle for the body. Place a marker for the beginning of the round in the middle of the right underarm sts.

Work in the round in stockinette stitch until the tee measures 48 (49) 50 (53) 55 (57) 59 (61) 63 (64) cm [19 (19¼) 19¾ (20¾) 21¾ (22½) 23¼ (24) 24¾ (25¼) inches] mid back, or to the desired length.

Finish the hem with an i-cord edge with decreases (the number of sts is reduced while working the i-cord bind-off). This ensures that the edge will not flare out (see video at www.petiteknit.com).

The i-cord edge with decreases is worked as follows:

Change to a 2.5 mm [US1½] / 80 cm [32 inches] circular needle.

Cast on 4 sts using the knitted cast-on method on the left needle (from the RS).

Round 1: * K3, k2tog tbl, slip the 4 sts back on the left needle *, repeat from * to * a total of 3 times. K3, k3tog tbl, slip the 4 sts back on the left needle (5 sts have been bound off, while 4 “i-cord sequences” have been worked).

Repeat the above instructions to end of round until all sts have been bound off.

Neatly sew together the ends of the i-cord edges.

Sleeves

The sleeves are worked in stockinette stitch in the round on 3 mm [US2½] double-pointed needles or on a circular needle using the Magic Loop technique.

Pick up and knit 4 (6) 8 (8) 10 (12) 14 (18) 22 (26) sts in the 4 (6) 8 (8) 10 (12) 14 (18) 22 (26) sts that were cast on at the underarm on the body. There are now a total of 86 (92) 96 (98) 102 (102) 104 (110) 114 (118) sts on the needles. Place a marker for the beginning of the round in the middle of the picked-up sts.

Work in the round in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 16 cm [6¼ inches] (or to the desired length – try it on), **while at the same time** working decreases every 12th round a total of 4 times, by working a decrease round as follows: K1, k2tog, knit to the last 3 sts of the round, ssk, k1.

There are now 78 (84) 88 (90) 94 (94) 96 (102) 106 (110) sts left on the needle.

Change to needles 2.5 mm [US1½] and finish with an i-cord edge with decreases the same way as on the body.

Work the other sleeve identically.

Neck edge

Work an i-cord edge along the neck edge as well (although **without** decreases) along the sts that are picked up. Start at one side of the neck to make the i-cord join as invisible as possible on the finished tee.

Pick up approx. 146 (146) 148 (148) 150 (152) 158 (162) 166 (166) sts along the neck edge with 2.5 mm [US1½] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needles. This is the approx. equivalent to picking up and knitting 1 stitch in every stitch/row all the way around.

Work an i-cord edge as follows:

Cast on 4 sts using the knitted cast-on method on the left needle (from the RS).

* K3, k2tog tbl, slip the 4 sts back on the left needle *, repeat from * to * to end of round until all sts have been bound off.

Note: Try on the tee before working the i-cord edge. If you feel the neck opening is the correct size, pick up and knit the sts loosely. If you feel the neck opening should be smaller, work the i-cord edge tightly. Neatly sew together the ends of the i-cord edges. Weave in all ends.

Abbreviations

k	knit
k2tog	decrease; knit two stitches together (right slanting)
k3tog	decrease; knit three stitches together
M1L	increase, left leaning; make one left (see About raglan increases)
M1R	increase, right leaning; make one right (see About raglan increases)
p	purl
RS	right side of your work
ssk	slip, slip, knit – decrease; slip one stitch knit-wise, slip another stitch knit-wise, return both stitches to the left needle, and knit them together through the back loops (left-slanting)
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through the back loop(s)
WS	wrong side of your work



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