

Knitting Pattern

# Lily Sheer Top

Difficulty: Intermediate

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**Construction:**

Lily Sheer Top is worked seamlessly from the top-down.

**Gauge** (With 4 mm needle):

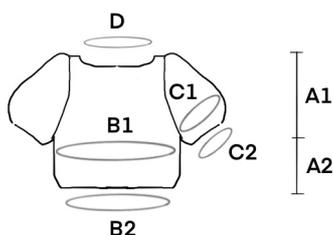
20 sts x 24 rows = 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4” in stockinette stitch after blocking.

Recommended ease: 3~21cm / 1.25~8.25”.

To pick your size, I recommend making a swatch with your yarn, then check your gauge and adjust needle size accordingly, measure around your full bust, then add your desired ease. Pick the closest size from the finished bust circumference.

**Size:**

1 (2, 3, 4, 5)(6, 7, 8, 9) Sample shown in Size 2 with 19 cm/7.5” positive ease.



**Finished measurements:**

	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2	D
1	22.5cm/ 8.75”	13cm/ 5.25”	96cm/ 37.75”	80cm/ 31.5”	45cm/ 17.75”	30cm/ 11.75”	52cm/ 20.5”
2	24cm/ 9.5”	13cm/ 5.25”	102cm/ 40.25”	85cm/ 33.5”	48cm/ 18.75”	32cm/ 12.5”	52cm/ 20.5”
3	26.5cm/ 10.5”	13cm/ 5.25”	110cm/ 43.5”	92cm/ 36.25”	50cm/ 19.75”	37cm/ 14.5”	52cm/ 20.5”
4	30.5cm/ 12”	13cm/ 5.25”	122cm/ 48”	102cm/ 40.25”	56cm/ 22”	42cm/ 16.5”	53.5cm/ 21”
5	32cm/ 12.5”	13cm/ 5.25”	126cm/ 49.75”	108cm/ 42.5”	60cm/ 23.75”	48cm/ 18.75”	53.5cm/ 21”
6	33.5cm/ 13.25”	13cm/ 5.25”	132cm/ 52”	116cm/ 45.75”	62cm/ 24.5”	52cm/ 20.5”	56cm/ 22”
7	35cm/ 13.75”	13cm/ 5.25”	136cm/ 53.5”	123cm/ 48.5”	66cm/ 26”	57cm/ 22.5”	56cm/ 22”

	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2	D
8	38.5cm/ 15.25"	13cm/ 5.25"	148cm/ 58.25"	136cm/ 53.5"	70cm/ 27.5"	60cm/ 23.75"	58.5cm/ 23"
9	41cm/ 16.25"	13cm/ 5.25"	156cm/ 61.5"	143cm/ 56.25"	74cm/ 29.25"	65cm/ 25.5"	58.5cm/ 23"

### Yarn:

Knitting for Olive, Soft Silk Mohair, 70% Mohair, 30% Silk, 25g=246yd/225m.

Sample photo shown in Size 2 with Color Powder

2 (2, 2.5, 3, 3.5)(4, 4.5, 5, 6) Balls. Approx. 450 (450, 563, 675, 788)(900, 1013, 1125, 1350) m / 492 (492, 615, 738, 861)(984, 1107, 1230, 1476) yards.

Note: You may need more yardage when extending the length of body or sleeves.

### Needles:

4 mm (US 6), 40 ~120 cm circular needle for the body and sleeves.

3.5 mm (US 4), 40 ~120 cm circular needle for the neckband, the hem and cuff. (DPNs or preferred needles (Magic Loop) for small circumference knitting.)

### Other Materials:

Stitch markers, stitch holder cords or waste yarn.

### Abbreviations:

approx.	approximately
BO	Bind off
BOR	Beginning of the round
CO	Cast on
DS	Double stitch (German Short-Rows techniques)
k	Knit
k2tog	Knit 2 stitches together
kfb	Knit in the front and back of a stitch. (Increase)
M	Marker
M1L	Make one left. With the left hand needle lift loop between stitches from front, and knit through the back loop. (Increase)
M1pL	Make one purl stitch left. With the left hand needle lift loop between stitches from front, and purl through the back loop. (Increase)

M1R	Make one right. With the left hand needle lift loop between stitches from back, and knit through the front loop. (Increase)
M1pR	Make one purl stitch right. With the left hand needle lift loop between stitches from back, and purl through the front loop. (Increase)
p	Purl
PM	Place marker
RM	Remove marker
rep	Repeat
rnd(s)	Round(s)
RS	Right side
st(s)	Stitch(es)
SM	Slip marker
TS	Total stitches
WS	Wrong side
rep *~*	Repeat from * to *
[ ]	Repeat stitches within brackets

### German Short-Rows techniques:

- 1, (RS): Knit to the instructed stitch of the pattern, turn work to WS.
- 2, (WS): With yarn in front, slip the first stitch purlwise, bring yarn over the needle towards the back and pull tight, creating two loops out of the same stitch, so that double stitch (DS) has been made. Purl to the instructed stitch of the pattern, turn work to RS.
- 3, (RS): With yarn in front, slip the first stitch purlwise, bring yarn over the needle towards the back and pull tight, create a double stitch (DS) as before, knit the next stitch as usual.
- 4, When working over double stitch (DS), treat them as a single stitch, knit both loops together on a RS row (kDS), or purl both loops together on a WS row (pDS).

See this tutorial here: <https://youtu.be/d9EvlZxhL-8?si=W4m7BVeIWEGqoa3Z>

### Backwards loop cast-on method:

<https://youtu.be/kNMCDTINaRQ?si=i94pRvYRgCMJ5OYb>

### I-Cord Bind Off in the round and grafting:

<https://youtu.be/pKe i rFz mA?si=MQe5MknOBbs33M4L>

## Instructions

### Neckline

With 4 mm (US 6) needle, use long tail cast on method, CO 104 (104, 104, 108, 108)(116, 116, 124, 124) sts, **PM** for BOR.

(The BOR is in the center of the back)

Next Rnd: k21 (21, 21, 21, 21)(22, 22, 23, 23), **PM**, k11 (11, 11, 13, 13)(15, 15, 17, 17), **PM**, k41 (41, 41, 41, 41)(43, 43, 45, 45), **PM**, k11 (11, 11, 13, 13)(15, 15, 17, 17), **PM**, k to M(BOR).

### Work the short rows to create a higher back neck:

Short Row 1 (RS): k to M, M1R, **SM**, k to M, **SM**, M1L, k3, turn.

Short Row 2 (WS): DS, p to M, M1pL, **SM**, p to M, **SM**, M1pR, p to M(BOR), **SM**, p to M, M1pL, **SM**, p to M, **SM**, M1pR, p3, turn.

Short Row 3 (RS): DS, k to M, M1R, **SM**, k to M, **SM**, M1L, k to M(BOR), **SM**, k to M, M1R, **SM**, k to M, **SM**, M1L, k to DS, kDS, k3, turn.

Short Row 4 (WS): DS, p to M, M1pL, **SM**, p to M, **SM**, M1pR, p to M(BOR), **SM**, p to M, M1pL, **SM**, p to M, **SM**, M1pR, p to DS, pDS, p3, turn.

Short Row 5 (RS): Same as Short Row 3.

Short Row 6 (WS): Same as Short Row 4.

Short Row 7 (RS): Same as Short Row 3.

Short Row 8 (WS): Same as Short Row 4.

Short Row 9 (RS): Same as Short Row 3.

Short Row 10 (WS): Same as Short Row 4.

Short Row 11 (RS): DS, k to M, M1R, **SM**, k to M, **SM**, M1L, k to M(BOR)

### Increase for the Front and Back: (kDS when you encounter the DSs in the first rnd)

Rnd 1: \*k to M, M1R, **SM**, k to M, **SM**, M1L\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR).

TS: 148 (148, 148, 152, 152)(160, 160, 168, 168)

Rep last Rnd, 1 (1, 5, 9, 9)(11, 11, 13, 13) more time(s), until you have completed Rnd 2 (2, 6, 10, 10)(12, 12, 14, 14).

TS: 152 (152, 168, 188, 188)(204, 204, 220, 220)

### Increase for the sleeves:

Rnd 1: \*k to M, SM, [ kfb ] rep to 1 st before M, k1, SM\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR).

TS: 172 (172, 188, 212, 212)(232, 232, 252, 252)

Rnd 2: \*k to M, SM, M1L, k to M, M1R, SM\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR).

TS: 176 (176, 192, 216, 216)(236, 236, 256, 256)

Rep last Rnd, 18 (18, 20, 22, 24)(24, 26, 26, 26) more times, until you have completed Rnd 20 (20, 22, 24, 26)(26, 28, 28, 28). TS: 248 (248, 272, 304, 312)(332, 340, 356, 356)

Note: 4 stitches have been increased by each rnd.

### Raglan increase:

Rnd 1: \*k to 2 sts before M, M1R, k2, SM, M1L, k to M, M1R, SM, k2, M1L\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR). TS: 256 (256, 280, 312, 320)(340, 348, 364, 364)

Rnd 2: \*k to M, SM\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR).

Rep Rnds 1~2, 11 (13, 13, 15, 17)(17, 19, 21, 24) more times, until you have completed Rnd 24 (28, 28, 32, 36)(36, 40, 44, 50). TS: 344 (360, 384, 432, 456)(476, 500, 532, 556)

Note: 8 stitches have been increased on each odd rnd.

### Divide the Body and Sleeves

Dividing Rnd: \*k to M, RM, slip the next 83 (87, 91, 103, 111)(115, 123, 129, 135) sts to stitch holder cord or waste yarn, use backward loop cast on method CO 7 (9, 9, 9, 9)(9, 9, 11, 13) sts for the underarm, RM\*, rep \*~\*, k to M(BOR).

TS: 192 (204, 220, 244, 252)(264, 272, 296, 312)

### Body

Rnd 1: k to M(BOR).

Rep last Rnd, until the body length measures 11.5 cm/4.5" from the underarm. (Or until your desired length)

Then decrease as follows:

Rnd 1: **Sizes 1, 2:** [ k4, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Sizes 3, 4:** [ k4, k2tog ] rep to 4 sts before M(BOR), k4.

**Size 5:** [ k5, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Size 6:** [ k6, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Size 7:** [ k8, k2tog ] rep to 2 sts before M(BOR), k2.

**Size 8:** [ k10, k2tog ] rep to 8 sts before M(BOR), k8.

**Size 9:** [ k10, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

TS: 160 (170, 184, 204, 216)(231, 245, 272, 286)

Switch to 3.5mm (US 4) needle and knit 1 Rnd.

Bind off with 3 stitches' I-Cord bind off method.

### **Sleeve (Both alike)**

With 4 mm (US 6) needle and right side facing, beginning at the center underarm, pick up and knit 4 (5, 5, 5, 5)(5, 5, 6, 7) sts from the CO edge of the underarm, then knit all the held sleeve sts, then pick up and knit 3 (4, 4, 4, 4)(4, 4, 5, 6) sts from the leftover CO edge of the underarm, **PM** for BOR. TS: 90 (96, 100, 112, 120)(124, 132, 140, 148)

Tips: To avoid holes in the underarm, you may pick up one more st at each edge of the underarm sts, then decrease these sts on next round to achieve the correct number.

Continue to knit in the rnd until the sleeve length measures 2.5 cm/1" from the underarm. (Or until your desired length)

Then decrease as follows:

Rnd 1: **Sizes 1, 2:** [ k1, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Sizes 3, 4:** [ k2, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Size 5:** [ k3, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Size 6:** [ k4, k2tog ] rep to 4 sts before M(BOR), k4.

**Size 7:** [ k5, k2tog ] rep to 6 sts before M(BOR), k6.

**Size 8:** [ k5, k2tog ] rep to M(BOR).

**Size 9:** [ k6, k2tog ] rep to 4 sts before M(BOR), k4.

TS: 60 (64, 75, 84, 96)(104, 114, 120, 130)

Switch to 3.5mm (US 4) needle and knit 1 Rnd. Bind off with 3 stitches' I-Cord bind off method.

## **Neckband**

With 3.5 mm (US 4) needles and the right side facing, beginning at BOR of the CO edge, pick up and knit 104 (104, 104, 108, 108)(116, 116, 124, 124) sts, bind off with 3 stitches' I-Cord bind off method.

## **Finishing**

Weave in ends and wet block to measurements.