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LULU SLIPOVER JUNIOR



Sizes:	1-2 (2-3) 3-4 (4-5) 5-6 (6-7) 7-8 (8-9) 9-10 (10-11) 11-12 (12-14) years
Bust circumference:	69 (71) 75 (77) 81 (83) 89 (91) 95 (99) 103 (107) cm [27¼ (28) 29½ (30¼) 32 (32¾) 35 (35¾) 37½ (39) 40½ (42¼) inches]
Length:	38 (39) 40 (42) 43 (45) 47 (49) 50 (52) 55 (57) cm [15 (15¼) 15¾ (16½) 17 (17¾) 18½ (19¼) 19¾ (20½) 21¾ (22½) inches] (measured mid back excl. neck edge)
Gauge:	20 sts x 30 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] in stockinette stitch on a 4 mm [US6] needle 23 sts x 30 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] in double knitting on a 2.5 mm [US1½] needle
Needles:	Circular needles: 4 mm [US6] / 60 cm [24 inches], 3.5 mm [US4] / 40 and 60 and/or 80 cm [16 and 24 and/or 32 inches] and 2.5 mm [US1½] / 60 cm [24 inches]
Materials:	Suggestion 1: 200 (200) 200 (200) 200 (250) 250 (250) 300 (300) 350 (350-400) g Peer Gynt by Sandnes Garn (50 g = 91 m [98 yds]) or Peruvian Highland Wool by Filcolana (50 g = 100 m [109 yds]) Suggestion 2: 150 (200) 200 (200) 200 (200-250) 250 (250) 250 (300) 300 (350) g Double Sunday by Sandnes Garn (50 g = 108 m [118 yds]). 4 buttons (Ø = 15-18 mm)

PATTERN

The Lulu Slipover Junior is worked from the top down. The slipover has a deep armhole and is closed with two buttons along both sides. First, the back is worked and then the front. Ribbing edges are worked along the armholes, and along the sides, which form slits towards the hem, double knitted edges are worked. Two buttonholes are worked along the front part of these double knitted edges. At the end, a ribbing edge is worked along the neck opening.

Find the relevant videos for this pattern on the pattern's product page at www.petiteknit.com.

Size guide

The Lulu Slipover Junior is designed to have approx. 20 cm [7¾ inches] of positive ease. The sizes 1-2 (2-3) 3-4 (4-5) 5-6 (6-7) 7-8 (8-9) 9-10 (10-11) 11-12 (12-14) years are designed to fit a chest circumference of approx. 53 (54) 56 (57) 59 (62) 64 (68) 72 (75) 78 (82) cm [20¾ (21¼) 22 (22½) 23¼ (24½) 25¼ (26¾) 28¼ (29½) 30¾ (32¼) inches]. The measurements for the finished garment are listed on the front page of the pattern (please note that these measurements are only achieved if the slipover is knitted in the correct gauge). If the recipient measures 57 cm [22½ inches] around the chest, you should knit a size 4-5 years. Size 4-5 years has a chest circumference of 77 cm [30¼ inches] which will, in this example, give 20 cm [7¾ inches] of positive ease. If the measured chest circumference deviates from the age guide, you can adjust the lengths to the person you're knitting for. The same applies if the child is short/taller than average.

About increases

The increases are worked so they either slant to the right (M1R) or to the left (M1L) (see video at www.petiteknit.com).

M1R:

From the RS: Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from back to front, then knit this strand.

From the WS: Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from back to front, then purl this strand.

M1L:

From the RS: Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from front to back, then knit this strand through the back loop (twisted).

From the WS: Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from front to back, then purl this strand through the back loop (twisted).

Back

The back is worked flat, back and forth in stockinette stitch. Increases are worked to form the slope of the shoulders.

Cast on 24 (26) 26 (26) 26 (26) 28 (28) 30 (30) 30 (32) sts on a 4 mm [US6] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle. Purl across 1 row. The next row is a RS row.

Work shoulder increases as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K4, **M1L**, knit to the last 4 sts on the needle, **M1R**, k4. (2 sts have been increased)

Row 2 (WS): P4, **M1R**, purl to the last 4 sts on the needle, **M1L**, p4. (2 sts have been increased)

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 3 (3) 4 (4) 5 (5) 6 (6) 6 (7) 8 (8) times. There are a total of 36 (38) 42 (42) 46 (46) 52 (52) 54 (58) 62 (64) m sts on the needle.

Work back and forth in stockinette stitch until the work measures 16 (17) 19 (19) 20 (21) 22 (23) 23 (24) 26 (28) cm [6¼ (6¾) 7½ (7½) 7¾ (8¼) 8¾ (9) 9 (9½) 10¼ (11) inches] measured mid back (i.e. from the cast on edge). The next row is a RS row.

Now work increases for the armholes on **every RS row** as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K4, **M1L**, knit to the last 4 sts on the needle, **M1R**, k4. (2 sts have been increased)

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 13 (13) 13 (14) 14 (15) 15 (16) 17 (17) 17 (18) times. There are a total of 62 (64) 68 (70) 74 (76) 82 (84) 88 (92) 96 (100) sts on the needle.

All increases have now been worked. The work measures approx. 24 (25) 27 (28) 29 (31) 32 (33) 34 (35) 37 (40) cm [9½ (9¾) 10¾ (11) 11½ (12¼) 12½ (13) 13½ (13¾) 14½ (15¾) inches] measured mid back (i.e. from the cast on edge).

Work back and forth in stockinette stitch until the work measures 33 (34) 35 (37) 38 (39) 41 (43) 43 (45) 47 (48) cm [13 (13½) 13¾ (14½) 15 (15¼) 16¼ (17) 17 (17¾) 18½ (19) inches] measured mid back (i.e. from the cast on edge) - or to the desired length.

Reduce the number of sts to 61 (63) 67 (69) 73 (75) 81 (83) 87 (91) 95 (99) sts (meaning to an odd number of sts) by knitting 2 sts together a random place on the last row. The next row is a RS row.

Change to a 3.5 mm [US4] / 60 or 80 cm [24 or 32 inches] circular needle and work back and forth in 1 x 1 rib as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, * p1, k1 *, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Row 2 (WS): P1, * k1, p1 *, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Work Rows 1 and 2 until the rib edge measures 5 (5) 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) 7 (7) 8 (9) cm [2 (2) 2 (2) 2 (2¼) 2¼ (2¼) 2¾ (2¾) 3¼ (3½) inches].

Work 2 rows of double knitting before binding off using the Italian bind off technique. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): * K1, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, k1.

Row 2 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front.

Bind off sts using the Italian bind off technique.

Left shoulder

Join new yarn and pick up and knit sts from the RS with a 4 mm [US6] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle. RS facing, pick up and knit 7 (7) 9 (9) 11 (11) 13 (13) 13 (15) 17 (17) sts along the top slating left side of the back (equivalent to picking up and knitting 1 stitch in every stitch along the entire slanting edge shaped with increases). The direction for picking up and knitting stitches is from the neck and towards the armhole. Purl across 1 row. The next row is a RS row.

Work back and forth as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit across.

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) times (i.e. for a total of 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (16) 16 (16) rows).

Now work increases to shape the neckline. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **M1L**, knit to end of row.

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 5 (5) 5 (5) times. There are a total of 11 (11) 13 (13) 15 (15) 17 (17) 18 (20) 22 (22) sts on the needle. Break the yarn and let the sts rest while the right shoulder is being worked.

Right shoulder

Join new yarn and pick up and knit sts from the RS with a 4 mm [US6] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle. RS facing, pick up and knit 7 (7) 9 (9) 11 (11) 13 (13) 13 (15) 17 (17) sts along the top slating right side of the back (equivalent to picking up and knitting 1 stitch in every stitch along the entire slanting edge shaped with increases). The direction for picking up and knitting stitches is from the armhole and towards the neck. Purl across 1 row. The next row is a RS row.

Work back and forth as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit across.

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (7) 7 (8) 8 (8) times (i.e. for a total of 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 14 (16) 16 (16) rows).

Now work increases to shape the neckline. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit to the last 3 sts, **M1R**, k3.

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 4 (4) 5 (5) 5 (5) times. There are a total of 11 (11) 13 (13) 15 (15) 17 (17) 18 (20) 22 (22) sts on the needle. The next row is a RS row. Do not break the yarn as the next step follows from here.

Front

Form the front by joining the sts from the left and right shoulder on the next row, while casting on new sts for the front neck using the backward loop method. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit across the right shoulder to the last 3 sts on the needle, **M1R**, k3, cast on 12 (14) 14 (14) 14 (14) 16 (16) 16 (16) 16 (18) new sts using the backward loop method, k3 across left shoulder, **M1L**, knit to end of row. There are a total of 36 (38) 42 (42) 46 (46) 52 (52) 54 (58) 62 (64) sts on the needle.

Work back and forth in stockinette stitch until the work measures 16 (17) 19 (19) 20 (21) 22 (23) 23 (24) 26 (28) cm [6¼ (6¾) 7½ (7½) 7¾ (8¼) 8¾ (9) 9 (9½) 10¼ (11) inches] measured from where sts were picked up and knitted along the shoulders. The next row is a RS row.

Now work increases for the armhole on **every RS row** as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K4, **M1L**, knit to the last 4 sts on the needle, **M1R**, k4. (2 sts have been increased)

Row 2 (WS): Purl across.

Work Rows 1 and 2 a total of 13 (13) 13 (14) 14 (15) 15 (16) 17 (17) 17 (18) times. There are a total of 62 (64) 68 (70) 74 (76) 82 (84) 88 (92) 96 (100) sts on the needle.

All increases have now been worked. The work measures approx. 24 (25) 27 (28) 29 (31) 32 (33) 34 (35) 37 (40) cm [9½ (9¾) 10¾ (11) 11½ (12¼) 12½ (13) 13½ (13¾) 14½ (15¾) inches] m measured from where sts were picked up and knitted along the shoulders.

Work back and forth in stockinette stitch until the work measures 33 (34) 35 (37) 38 (39) 41 (43) 43 (45) 47 (48) cm [13 (13½) 13¾ (14½) 15 (15¼) 16¼ (17) 17 (17¾) 18½ (19) inches] measured from where sts were picked up and knitted along the shoulders - or to the desired length.

Reduce the number of sts to 61 (63) 67 (69) 73 (75) 81 (83) 87 (91) 95 (99) sts (meaning to an odd number of sts) by knitting 2 sts together a random place on the row. The next row is a RS row.

Change to a 3.5 mm [US4] / 60 or 80 cm [24 or 32 inches] circular needle and work back and forth in 1 x 1 rib as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, * p1, k1 *, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Row 2 (WS): P1, * k1, p1 *, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Work Rows 1 and 2 until the rib edge measures 5 (5) 5 (5) 5 (6) 6 (6) 7 (7) 8 (9) cm [2 (2) 2 (2) 2 (2¼) 2¼ (2¼) 2¾ (2¾) 3¼ (3½) inches].

Work 2 rows of double knitting before binding off using the Italian bind off technique. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): * K1, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, k1.

Row 2 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front.

Bind off sts using the Italian bind off technique.

Armhole rib edge

The armhole rib edges are worked on a 3.5 mm [US4] / 80 cm [32 inches] circular needle.

RS facing, pick up and knit approx. 95 (99) 105 (107) 111 (117) 121 (125) 129 (131) 137 (145) sts along the armhole opening (meaning the slanting sides, but not the straight sides going down to the hem), which is the equivalent to picking up 2 sts for every 3 rows (the number of sts is meant as a guide – the exact number of sts is not important, the most important is to pick up and knit sts evenly all the way along the edge, making sure the final count of sts is an odd number). Do not join in the round, the armhole rib edges are worked flat.

Work back and forth in 1 x 1 rib (k1, p1) as follows:

Row 1 (WS): * P1, k1 *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, p1.

Row 2 (RS): * K1, p1 *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, k1.

Work Row 1 and 2 until a total of 5 rows have been worked. The last row is a WS row. The next row is a RS row.

Work 2 rows of double knitting before binding off using the Italian bind off technique. Work as follows:

Row 1 (RS): * K1, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, k1.

Row 2 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, repeat from * to * to the last stitch on the needle, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front.

Bind off sts using the Italian bind off technique.

Work the second armhole rib edge the same way as the first, making sure you pick up the same number of sts.

Button plackets in double knitting

The button plackets are worked in double knitting along the sides of the slipover on a 2.5 mm [US1½] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle. At the top they are closed with 2 buttons and at the bottom they remain open to form a side slit.

First the plackets on the back are worked without buttonholes. Work as follows:

RS facing, pick up and knit sts with a 2.5 mm [US1½] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle. Pick up and knit 1 stitch in every row all the way along the straight side edge. Please note that this includes the ends of the armhole rib edge. The number of picked up and knitted sts depends on how long you've made your slipover.

Make a note of the total number of picked up and knitted sts so you can pick up the exact same number along the other side later. Break the yarn and push the sts to the opposite side of the needle.

Join new yarn and cast on 14 new sts in extension of the picked up and knitted sts on the needle using the Italian cast-on technique and starting with casting on a purl stitch (as seen from the WS) (see video at www.petiteknit.com). The double knitted placket is worked back and forth across these new 14 sts in double knitting, while one of the placket sts are knitted together with one of the picked up and knitted sts on every RS row.

Work as follows on a 2.5 mm [US1½] circular needle:

Row 1 (RS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 6 times, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k2tog tbl (meaning the last of the 14 sts is knitted together with one of the picked up and knitted stitches tbl), turn.

Row 2 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * to end of row.

Work Rows 1 and 2 until there are 14 sts left on the needle. The last row is worked from the WS, so an Italian bind off can be worked from the RS.

Work the opposite side the same way.

Now the plackets with the 2 buttonholes at the top are worked on the sides of the front as follows:

RS facing, pick up and knit sts with a 2.5 mm [US1½] / 60 cm [24 inches] circular needle the same way as on the back. Mark the placement of the 2 buttonholes with markers. The buttonholes are worked across 3 rows, so make sure to mark 3 rows for each buttonhole.

The buttonholes are placed and marked with stitch markers as follows:

Buttonhole 1: 5th, 6th, and 7th stitch counted from the top.

Buttonhole 2: 15th, 16th, and 17th stitch counted from the top.

By marking these stitches before you start knitting, you can ensure that the placement is the same whether you're knitting the placket from the bottom or from the top (the direction you knit in is different on the right and left side).

Begin working the placket the same way as on the back, and work buttonholes as follows when you get to the markers that mark the placement of each buttonhole (see video at www.petiteknit.com). Work buttonhole as follows:

Row 1 (RS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 3 times, turn.

Row 2 (WS): Work as Row 1.

Row 3 (RS): Work as Row 1.

Row 4 (WS): Work as Row 1.

- Row 5 (RS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 3 times, yarn over, work from * to * 3 times, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k2tog tbl, turn.
- Row 6 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 3 times, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, slip the knit stitch knit-wise, slip the yarn over knit-wise, place the yarn over and the stitch back on the left needle and knit them together tbl, insert the left needle under the under the strand that runs between two stitches from front to back so a new yarn over is created, turn.
- Row 7 (RS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 3 times, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k2tog tbl, turn.
- Row 8 (WS): Work as Row 6.
- Row 9 (RS): Work as Row 7.
- Row 10 (WS): * Slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, k1 *, work from * to * 3 times, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front, slip the knit stitch knit-wise, slip the yarn over knit-wise, place the yarn over and the stitch back on the left needle and knit them together tbl work from * to * to end of row.

Continue in double knitting as before.

Work the opposite side the same way.

Neck rib edge

The neck rib edge is worked in the round on a 3.5 [US4] mm / 40 cm [16 inches] circular needle from sts that are picked up and knitted along the neckline. Start and end on the side of the back of the neck.

RS facing, pick up and knit 84 (84) 86 (86) 88 (88) 92 (94) 98 (102) 104 (106) sts with a 3.5 mm [US4] / 40 cm [16 inches] circular needle. This is equivalent to picking up 1 stitch for every stitch all the way around the neck opening.

Work rib edge with built in double knitting as follows:

Rounds 1-6: Work rib (k1, p1).

Rounds 7-9: * K1, slip 1 stitch purl-wise with the yarn held in front *, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Rounds 10-14: Work rib (k1, p1).

Fold the rib edge double towards the inside of the slipover and knit it together by knitting every other stitch of the next round together with a stitch from the round where stitches were picked up and knitted, while at the same time binding off all sts. Work as follows (see video at www.petiteknit.com):

* Pick up a stitch from the round where stitches were picked up and knitted and place it on the left needle. Knit the picked-up stitch together with the first stitch on the left needle. Pass the second stitch on the right needle over the stitch that was just knitted (i.e. bind off the stitch). Knit 1 stitch. Pass the second stitch on the right needle over the stitch that was just knitted (i.e. bind off the stitch). *

Repeat from * to * to the end of the round.

Take that the neck edge doesn't become twisted – make sure to check along the way that each stitch is knitted together with the stitch directly below it at the cast-on edge when picking it up.

Finishing

Weave in all ends.

Sew in a total of 4 buttons (2 on each side) along the double knitted edges of the back across from the buttonholes on the front plackets. The buttons are sewn in with a “stem” so there's space between the button and the fabric for the other placket to not get squished when the slipover is buttoned (see video at www.petiteknit.com).

Abbreviations

k	knit
k2tog	decrease, knit two stitches together
M1L	increase, make one left; insert the left needle under the strand between the stitches from front to back, then knit this strand through the back loop (twisted)
M1R	increase, make one right; insert the left needle under the strand between the stitches from back to front, then knit this strand
p	purl
RS	right side of your work
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through the back loop
WS	wrong side of your work



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