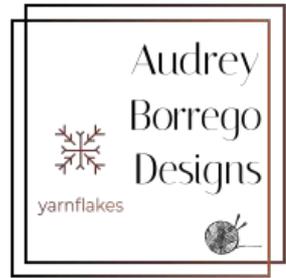# Marella

Notes

Marella is a top-down vest with cables on the body. It is a companion pattern to the Ombrella sweater, worked without the sleeves and with a split hem. The cables on both designs are interchangeable and the patterns' simple construction allow for easy modifications and full cable enjoyment.

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Yarn :

You will need
550 (**620** / 750 / **850** / 925), (**1075** / 1175 / **1275** / 1350) meters
605 (**680** / 820 / **930** / 1015), (**1175** / 1285 / **1395** / 1480) yards
of DK weight yarn.

The sample is knit with Les Petites Potions DK Yack in Terre brûlée.

Needles :

Main Fabric : 4 mm (US 6) circular needles with appropriate length to knit in the round and magic loop or DPNs.
Ribbing : 3.5 mm (US 4) circular needles with appropriate length to knit in the round and magic loop or DPNs.
or size required to get gauge

Gauge :

20 sts x 29 rnds per 10 cm – 4" with larger needles in stockinette after blocking
26.5 sts x 32 rows per 10 cm – 4" with larger needles in cable motif after blocking
To swatch the cable motif, cast-on 50 sts and work sts 16 to 65 of Chart A (page 12) for a minimum of 48 rows.

Notions :

Stitch markers, progress keeper (recommended), tapestry needle and scissors
Scrap yarn to place sts on hold
Cable needle
Row counters recommended

Techniques used :

Top down vest
Garter shoulders shaped with wrap & turn short rows
Simple increases to shape the armholes
Cable panels on the front and back featuring twisted stitches and knit / purl cables over 4 and 12 sts
Twisted ribbing
Optional German short-rows bust darts (based on Cup size)
Split ribbed hem
Garter & 2/2 Ribbing sleeve cuffs and collar
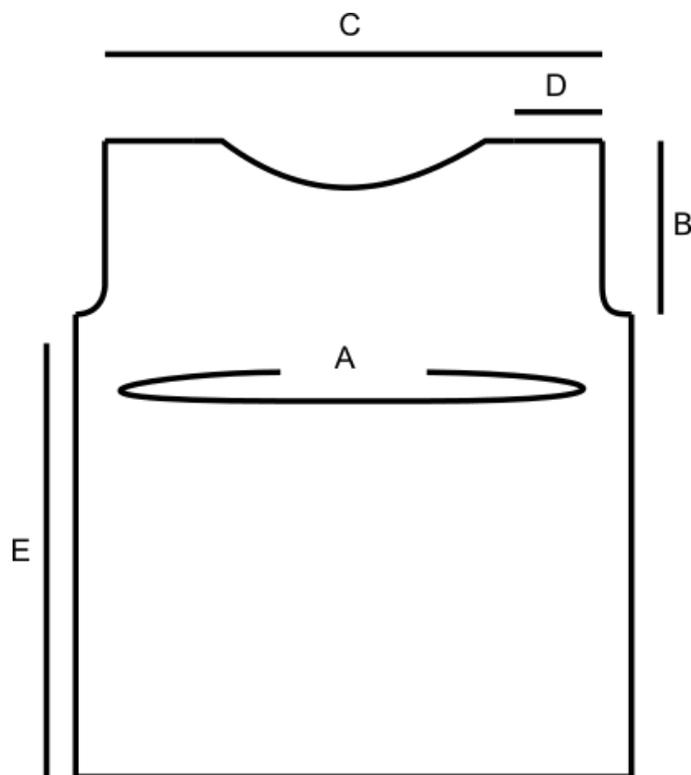Pattern includes charted instructions

Sizes :

1 (**2** / 3 / **4** / 5), (**6** / 7 / **8** / 9)
All measurements are those of the finished vest.

Choose a size with about 5 cm – 2" positive ease at bust.
Shown in size 2 on a 88 cm – 34 ¾" bust

Size	1	2	3	4	5
A Bust Circ	86 cm 33 ¾"	94 cm 37"	106 cm 41 ¾"	114 cm 44 ¾"	126 cm 49 ½"
B Armhole depth	19 cm 7 ½"	20.5 cm 8"	23 cm 9"	24 cm 9 ½"	25.5 cm 10"
C Back width	38 cm 15"	40 cm 15 ¾"	45 cm 17 ¾"	47 cm 18 ½"	52 cm 20 ½"
D Shoulder width	7.5 cm 3"	7.5 cm 3"	7.5 cm 3"	8 cm 3 ¼"	8 cm 3 ¼"
E Body length (adjustable)	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"
Size	6	7	8	9	
A Bust Circ	138 cm 54 ¼"	146 cm 57 ½"	154 cm 60 ¾"	162 cm 63 ¾"	
B Armhole depth	26 cm 10 ¼"	27.5 cm 10 ¾"	27.5 cm 10 ¾"	28.5 cm 11 ¼"	
C Back width	56 cm 22"	60 cm 23 ¾"	62 cm 24 ½"	66 cm 26"	
D Shoulder width	9 cm 3 ½"	9 cm 3 ½"	10 cm 4"	11 cm 4 ¼"	
E Body length (adjustable)	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	30 cm 11 ¾"	

Abbreviations :

– st(s) : stitch(es)

– rnd : round

– BOR : beginning of round

– RS : right side / WS : wrong side

– m : marker / pm : place marker / sm : slip marker / rm : remove marker

– inc : increase / dec : decrease

– k : knit stitch / p : purl stitch

– ktbl : knit the st through its back loop

– ptbl : purl the st through its back loop

– w&t (see tutorial page 5) : wrap and turn short row, slip the next st purlwise, bring yarn to front, slip the st back to the left needle, bring yarn to back and turn work

– LT (see tutorial on page 5) : left twist, ktbl the second st on the left needle, then k2togtbl with the first stitch of the left needle

– RT (see tutorial on page 5) : right twist, k2tog without dropping the stitches off the needle, then knit into the first stitch again

– m1R : make 1 right, lift the bar between the stitches onto the left needle from back to front, knit through the front loop (1 inc)

– m1L : make 1 left, lift the bar between the stitches onto the left needle from front to back, knit through the back loop (1 inc)

– k2tog : knit the next 2 sts together (1 dec)

– k2togtbl : knit 2 sts together through their back loop (1 dec)

– ssk : slip the next 2 sts separately knitwise and knit them together through their back loops (1 dec)

– DS : double stitch for German short rows

– *-* : repeat instructions between asterisks

- C4R : slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle

- C4L : slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle

- C4R.p : slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p2 from cable needle

- C4L.p : slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold in front, p2, then k2 from cable needle

- C12R : slip 6 sts onto a cable needle and hold in back, (k2, p2, k2), then (k2, p2, k2) from cable needle

- C12L : slip 6 sts onto a cable needle and hold in front, (k2, p2, k2), then (k2, p2, k2) from cable needle

Notes :
Left and Right parts refer to the vest once worn.

Tutorial for LT and RT

(Right Twist and Left Twist tutorial by BerrocoKnitBits)

Tutorial for wrap & turn short rows.
(Knitting Help : Wrap & Turn by Very Pink Knits)

Reading the Chart :
When knitting in the round, always read the Chart from right to left.

When knitting flat, read the Chart back and forth : RS rows from right to left and WS rows from left to right.

Front Left Shoulder

With larger needles, cast-on 17 (**17** / 17 / **19** / 19), (**21** / 21 / **23** / 25) sts using a stretchy cast-on method like the German Twisted Cast-on.
(German Twisted Cast-on tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

set-up row (WS) : knit all sts

I recommend that you place a progress keeper or a locking stitch marker on the RS to clearly identify it.

Shoulder shaping :
short row 1 (RS) : knit to last 6 (**6** / 6 / **7** / 7), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 9) sts, w&t
short row 2 (WS) : knit to end
short row 3 : knit to 6 (**6** / 6 / **6** / 6), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 8) sts before wrapped st, w&t
short row 4 : knit to end

next row (RS) : knit all sts, knitting the wrapped sts without picking up their wraps

Knit 15 rows.

Neck shaping :
row 1 (RS) : knit all sts
row 2 (WS) : knit to last st, m1R, k1 *(1 inc)*

Work rows 1-2 : 3 more times.

*21 (**21** / 21 / **23** / 23), (**25** / 25 / **27** / 29) sts*

Cut yarn and place sts on hold.

Front Right Shoulder

With larger needles, cast-on 17 (**17** / 17 / **19** / 19), (**21** / 21 / **23** / 25) sts using a stretchy cast-on method like the German Twisted Cast-on.

set-up row (WS) : knit all sts

I recommend that you place a progress keeper or a locking stitch marker on the RS to clearly identify it.

Shoulder shaping :
short row 1 (RS) : knit all sts
short row 2 (WS) : knit to last 6 (**6** / 6 / **7** / 7), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 9) sts, w&t
short row 3 : knit to end
short row 4 : knit to 6 (**6** / 6 / **6** / 6), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 8) sts before wrapped st, w&t
short row 5 : knit to end

next row (WS) : knit all sts, knitting the wrapped sts without picking up their wraps

Knit 14 rows.

Neck shaping :
row 1 (RS) : knit to last st, m1L, k1 *(1 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : knit all sts

Work rows 1-2 : 3 more times.

*21 (**21** / 21 / **23** / 23), (**25** / 25 / **27** / 29) sts*

Joining Front Shoulders

You will now join the front shoulders by casting on sts for the neck. To do so, you can use a backwards loop cast-on.
(Backwards Loop Cast-on tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

Right shoulder sts : knit to end, cast-on 44 (**44** / 44 / **44** / 48), (**48** / 48 / **48** / 48) sts
Replace left shoulder sts on the needle with RS facing, joining them to the newly cast-on sts and knit to end

*86 (**86** / 86 / **90** / 94), (**98** / 98 / **102** / 106) front sts*

Front

set-up row (WS) : p3 (**3** / 3 / **5** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 13), pm, (k1, p1tbl) x 3, k1, p2, k2, p4, k2, p2, k2, p4, k5, (p4, k4) x 2, p4, k5, p4, k2, p2, k2, p4, k2, p2, k1, (p1tbl, k1) x3, pm, p3 (**3** / 3 / **5** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 13)

You will find Chart A on page 12.

front row 1 (RS) : knit to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, knit to end
front row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, purl to end

Work front rows 1-2 : 8 (**8** / 7 / **9** / 9), (**10** / 12 / **12** / 14) more times.

Underarm shaping :
row 1 (RS) : k2, m1R, knit to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, knit to last 2 sts, m1L, k2 *(2 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, purl to end

Work rows 1-2 : 4 (**6** / 11 / **11** / 12), (**10** / 6 / **6** / 4) more times

*96 (**100** / 110 / **114** / 120), (**120** / 112 / **116** / 116) front sts*

SIZES 5 TO 9 ONLY
row 1 (RS) : k2, m1R, k1, m1R, knit to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, knit to last 3 sts, m1L, k1, m1L, k2 *(4 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, purl to end

Work rows 1-2 : - (- / - / - / 0), (**2** / 6 / **6** / 8) more times.

*- (- / - / - / 124), (**132** / 140 / **144** / 152) front sts*

ALL SIZES RESUME
You will now cast-on extra sts on the edges for the underarm. To do so, you can use a backwards loop cast-on.
When you cast-on sts at the beginning of the row, they are then included in the following instructions and should be knitted or purled as written.

next row (RS) : cast-on 2 (**2** / 3 / **3** / 4), (**4** / 4 / **4** / 4) sts, knit to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, knit to end
next row (WS) : cast-on 2 (**2** / 3 / **3** / 4), (**4** / 4 / **4** / 4) sts, purl to m, sm, Chart A to m, sm, purl to end.

*100 (**104** / 116 / **120** / 132), (**140** / 148 / **152** / 160) front sts*

Note down on which row of Chart A you stopped so you can resume it later.
Cut yarn and place sts on hold.

Back Right Shoulder

With larger needles, starting at the neckline edge and looking at the RS, pick up and knit 17 (**17** / 17 / **19** / 19), (**21** / 21 / **23** / 25) sts from the Front Right Shoulder cast-on edge.

set-up row (WS) : knit all sts

Shoulder shaping :
short row 1 (RS) : knit to last 6 (**6** / 6 / **7** / 7), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 9) sts, w&t
short row 2 (WS) : knit to end
short row 3 : knit to 6 (**6** / 6 / **6** / 6), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 8) sts before wrapped st, w&t
short row 4 : knit to end

next row (RS) : knit all sts, knitting the wrapped sts without picking up their wraps

Neck shaping :
row 1 (WS) : knit to last st, m1R, k1 *(1 inc)*
row 2 (RS) : knit all sts

Work rows 1-2 : 3 more times.

*21 (**21** / 21 / **23** / 23), (**25** / 25 / **27** / 29) sts*

next row (WS) : knit all sts

Cut yarn and place sts on hold.

Back Left Shoulder

With larger needles, starting at the armhole edge and looking at the RS, pick up and knit 17 (**17** / 17 / **19** / 19), (**21** / 21 / **23** / 25) sts from the Front Left Shoulder cast-on edge.

set-up row (WS) : knit all sts

Shoulder shaping :
short row 1 (RS) : knit all sts
short row 2 (WS) : knit to last 6 (**6** / 6 / **7** / 7), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 9) sts, w&t
short row 3 : knit to end
short row 4 : knit to 6 (**6** / 6 / **6** / 6), (**7** / 7 / **8** / 8) sts before wrapped st, w&t
short row 5 : knit to end

next row (WS) : knit all sts, knitting the wrapped sts without picking up their wraps

Neck shaping :
row 1 (RS) : knit to last st, m1L, k1 *(1 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : knit all sts

Work rows 1-2 : 3 more times.

*21 (**21** / 21 / **23** / 23), (**25** / 25 / **27** / 29) sts*

Joining Back Shoulders
You will now join the back shoulders.

Left shoulder sts : knit to end, cast-on 44 (**44** / 44 / **44** / 48), (**48** / 48 / **48** / 48) sts
Replace right back shoulder sts on the needle with RS face, joining them to the newly cast-on sts and knit to end

*86 (**86** / 86 / **90** / 94), (**98** / 98 / **102** / 106) back sts*

Back
set-up row (WS) : p3 (**3** / 3 / **5** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 13), pm, (k1, p1tbl) x 3, k1, (p2, k2, p4, k2) x 3, p2, k2, (p2, k2, p4, k2) x 3, p2, k1, (p1tbl, k1) x3, pm, p3 (**3** / 3 / **5** / 7), (**9** / 9/ **11** / 13)

You will find Chart B on page 12.

back row 1 (RS) : knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, knit to end
back row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, purl to end

Work back rows 1-2 : 13 (**13** / 12 / **14** / 14), (**15** / 17 / **17** / 19) more times.

Underarm shaping :
row 1 (RS) : k2, m1R, knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, knit to last 2 sts, m1L, k2 *(2 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, purl to end

Work rows 1-2 : 4 (**6** / 11 / **11** / 12), (**10** / 6 / **6** / 4) more times

*96 (**100** / 110 / **114** / 120), (**120** / 112 / **116** / 116) back sts*

SIZES 5 TO 9 ONLY
row 1 (RS) : k2, m1R, k1, m1R, knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, knit to last 3 sts, m1L, k1, m1L, k2 *(4 inc)*
row 2 (WS) : purl to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, purl to end

Work rows 1-2 : - (- / - / - / 0), (**2** / 6 / **6** / 8) more times.

*- (- / - / - / 124), (**132** / 140 / **144** / 152) back sts*

ALL SIZES RESUME
You will now cast-on extra sts on the edges for the underarm.

next row (RS) : cast-on 2 (**2** / 3 / **3** / 4), (**4** / 4 / **4** / 4) sts, knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, knit to end
next row (WS) : cast-on 2 (**2** / 3 / **3** / 4), (**4** / 4 / **4** / 4) sts, purl to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, purl to end.

*100 (**104** / 116 / **120** / 132), (**140** / 148 / **152** / 160) back sts*

Joining Body

You will now join the front and back to work the body in the round, casting-on more sts at the underarm as follows :

back sts : cast-on 3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11) sts, knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, knit to end, cast-on 3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11), **pm for side**, cast-on 3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11) sts

Replace front sts back on the needle, joining them to the back sts and work them as follows :

knit to m, sm, Chart A (resuming where you stopped) to m, sm, knit to end, cast-on 3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11) sts

Join to work in the round and **PM for BOR**

*212 (**228** / 252 / **268** / 292), (**316** / 332 / **348** / 364) body sts*

Body

Bust darts

If you wear a cup size greater than B or your full bust measurement is more than 8 cm – 3 ¼" larger than your upper chest measurement, consider adding bust darts on the body. See instructions on page 11.

You will need to continue following Chart A & B simultaneously. I recommend that you keep a distinct row counter for each.

body rnd : knit to m, sm, Chart B to m, sm, (knit to m, sm) x2, Chart A to m, sm, knit to end

Repeat body rnd until body measures about 25 cm – 9 ¾" from the underarm or 5 cm – 2" less than desired length, ending after any even round of the Charts.

Hem

Switch to smaller needles. Remove the markers around the cable panels on the following round.

rnd 1 : purl
rnd 2 : knit
rnd 3 : purl

From now on you will split the hem and work the back and front separately.

next row (RS) : k2, *k2, p2* to 4 sts before side m, k4

Turn work to start working a WS row. Leave the front sts on hold.

Back hem

row 1 (WS) : k2, *p2, k2* to end
row 2 (RS) : k2, *k2, p2* to last 4 sts, k4

Repeat rows 1-2 until the hem measures 5 cm – 2" or desired length, ending after a WS row.

Loosely bind-off all sts in pattern.

Front hem

Rejoin yarn on the RS of the front sts.
row 1 (RS) : k2, *k2, p2* to last 4 sts, k4
row 2 (WS) : k2, *p2, k2* to end

Repeat rows 1-2 until the hem measures 5 cm – 2" or desired length, ending after a WS row.

Loosely bind-off all sts in pattern.

Sleeves

With smaller needles and looking at the RS, start at the center of the underarm.

Pick up and knit 3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11) sts from the underarm cast-on sts,

70 (**70** / 74 / **78** / 82), (**82** / 86 / **86** / 90) sts around the armhole,

3 (**5** / 5 / **7** / 7), (**9** / 9 / **11** / 11) sts from the rest of the underarm cast-on sts

Join to work in the round and PM for BOR.

*76 (**80** / 84 / **92** / 96), (**100** / 104 / **108** / 112) sleeve sts*

sleeve rnd 1 : purl
sleeve rnd 2 : knit
sleeve rnd 3 : purl
sleeve rnd 4 : *k2, p2* to end
Repeat sleeve rnd 4 until the sleeve measures 4 cm – 1 ½" or desired length.

Loosely bind-off all sts in pattern.

Repeat for second sleeve.

Neck

With smaller needles, start at the right shoulder seam.

Pick up and knit
8 sts from back right curve
32 (**32** / 32 / **32** / 34), (**34** / 34 / **36** / 36) sts from back neck
8 sts from back left curve
16 sts from left front curve
32 (**32** / 32 / **32** / 34), (**34** / 34 / **36** / 36) sts from front neck
16 sts from front right curve

Join to work in the round and PM for BOR.

*112 (**112** / 112 / **112** / 116), (**116** / 116 / **120** / 120) sts*

neck rnd 1 : purl
neck rnd 2 : knit
neck rnd 3 : purl
neck rnd 4 : *k2, p2* to end

Repeat neck rnd 4 until the neck measures 5 cm – 2" or desired length.

Loosely bind-off all sts in pattern.

Finishing :

Weave in all ends and gently block the vest to measurements.

Bust darts instructions :

Work the body until it measures 2 cm – ¾" from the underarm, ending after an even rnd of the Chart.

If you have never knit German short rows, here is a helpful tutorial on how to make Double Stitches.
(German short-rows tutorial by Very Pink Knits)

On the smaller sizes, you will work the last short rows in the twisted ribbing edges of the Chart.

CUP C AND D ONLY
Full bust measurement at least 8 cm – 3 ¼" more than upper chest measurement.

Short row 1 (RS) : work as established to 1 st before BOR M, turn
Short row 2 (WS) : DS, work as established to 1 st before side m, turn
Short row 3 : DS, work as established to 3 (**4** / 5 / **5** / 6), **6** (7 / **7** / 8 / **8**) sts before last DS, turn
Short row 4 : DS, work as established to 3 (**4** / 5 / **5** / 6), **6** (7 / **7** / 8 / **8**) sts before last DS, turn

Repeat short-rows 3-4 2 more times.

short row 9 : DS, work as established to end, closing the short-rows by working the DS normally.

CUP E AND F ONLY
Full bust measurement at least 12 cm – 4 ¾" more than upper chest measurement.

Short row 1 (RS) : work as established to 1 st before BOR M, turn
Short row 2 (WS) : DS, work as established to 1 st before side m, turn
Short row 3 : DS, work as established to 3 (**3** / 4 / **4** / 4), **5** (5 / **6** / 6 / **7**) sts before last DS, turn
Short row 4 : DS, work as established to 3 (**3** / 4 / **4** / 4), **5** (5 / **6** / 6 / **7**) sts before last DS, turn

Repeat short-rows 3-4 3 more times.

Short row 11 : DS, work as established to end, closing the short-rows by working the DS normally.

CUP G AND H ONLY
Full bust measurement at least 16 cm – 6 ¼" more than upper chest measurement.

Short row 1 (RS) : work as established to 1 st before BOR M, turn
Short row 2 (WS) : DS, work as established to 1 st before side m, turn
Short row 3 : DS, work as established to 2 (**3** / 3 / **3** / 3), **4** (4 / **5** / 5 / **6**) sts before last DS, turn
Short row 4 : DS, work as established to 2 (**3** / 3 / **3** / 3), **4** (4 / **5** / 5 / **6**) sts before last DS, turn
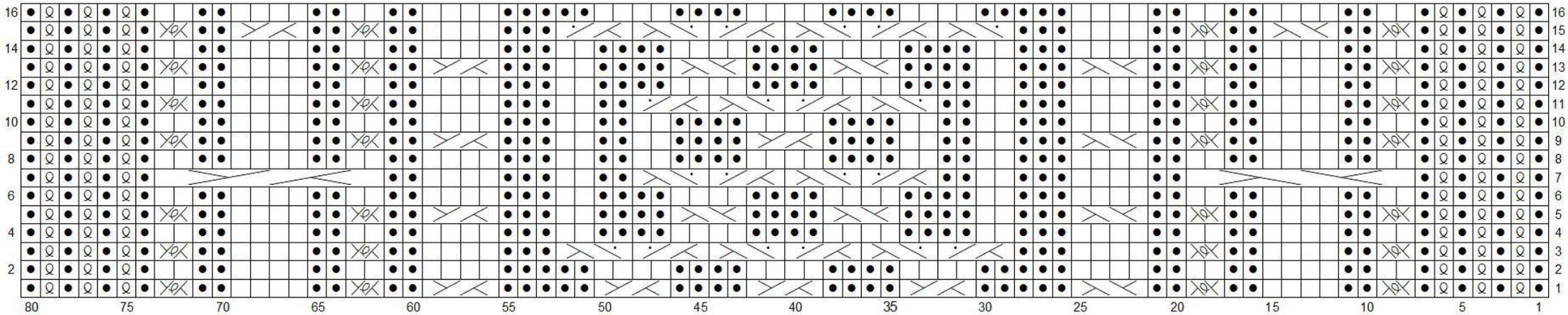
Repeat short-rows 3-4 4 more times.

Short row 13 : DS, work as established to end, closing the short-rows by working the DS normally.
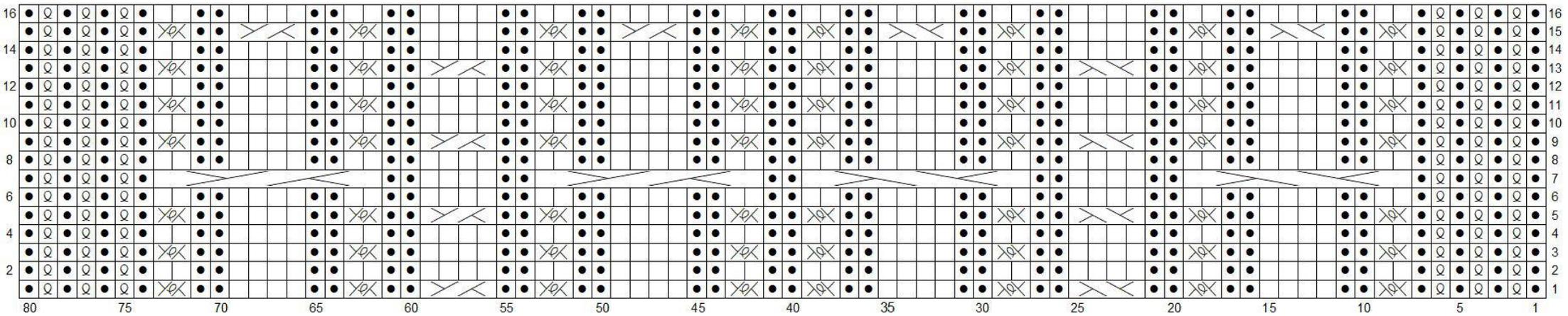
ALL CUPS RESUME
On the next round, close the remaining short-rows by working the DS normally.

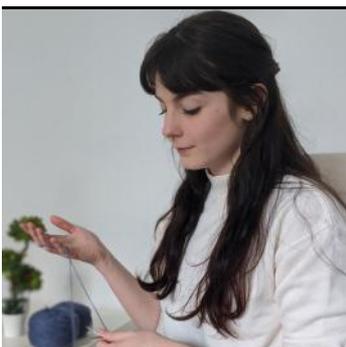Continue with the body per main instructions.

CHART A

CHART B

	RS : knit	Ω	RS : ktbl	⤬	RT	⟋⟍	C4R.p	⟍⟋	C4R	⟍⟋	C12R
WS : purl			WS : ptbl								
●	RS : purl			⤬	LT	⟍⟋	C4L.p	⟍⟋	C4L	⟍⟋	C12L
	WS : knit										

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Thank you

for choosing a Yarnflakes pattern !

I hope you enjoyed your project and will love the finished piece. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me on Ravelry (Yarnflakes).

I love to see you knit my designs. If you want to share pictures of your progress you can join me on my Ravelry group : www.ravelry.com/discuss/yarnflakes and tag me on Instagram @yarnflakes.