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NEEDLES: 3,5MM & 4MM

YARN: FABEL KNITWEAR ATHENA

SIZE: (XS) S (M) L (XL) 2XL (3XL)

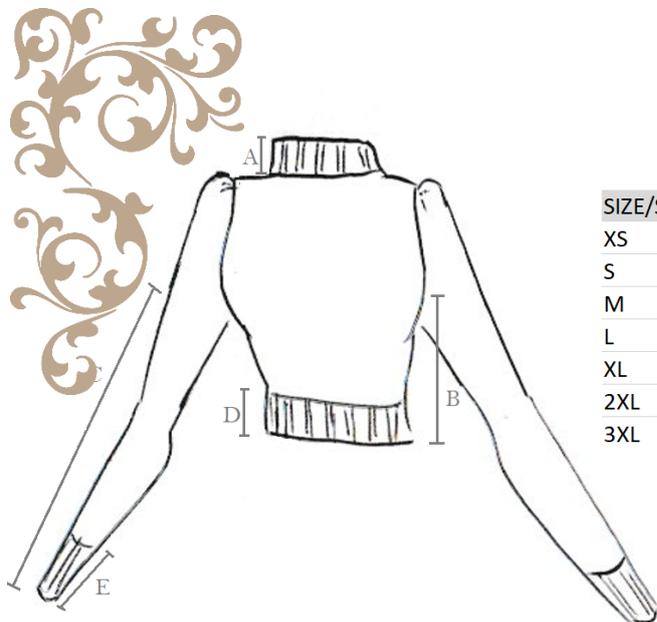
APPROXIMATE BUST: (80) 90 (100) 108 (118) 127 (132) CM

PICK THE SIZE WITH A BUST MEASUREMENT CLOSEST TO YOUR OWN. IT IS A NEGATIVE-TO-NO EASE PATTERN, AND SO HAS BUILT IN STRETCH, MEANING THE MEASUREMENTS ABOVE ARE NOT THE FINISHED JUMPERS MEASUREMENTS, BUT THE SIZE IT WILL FIT BEST WITH THE BUILT IN STRETCH.

QUANTITY: (150) 170 (200) 250 (270) 300 (340) G

GAUGE: 20 ST(S) = 10 CM





SIZE/STR	A	B	C	D	E	F
XS	10 cm	24 cm	48 cm	5 cm	5 cm	23cm
S	10 cm	24 cm	49 cm	5 cm	5 cm	22cm
M	10 cm	25 cm	50 cm	5 cm	5 cm	22cm
L	10 cm	26 cm	50 cm	5 cm	5 cm	22cm
XL	10 cm	27 cm	50 cm	5 cm	5 cm	21cm
2XL	10 cm	27 cm	50 cm	5 cm	5 cm	21cm
3XL	10 cm	27 cm	50 cm	5 cm	5 cm	21cm

The Marilyn turtleneck is the sister design to the Norma Jean Turtleneck – a lighter, more elegant fingering weight version. It is inspired by the timeless silhouette of the 1950s and 1960s, with its cropped, fitted silhouette perfect for highwaisted trousers or skirts.

The neckline can be worn high like a classic turtleneck, or folded down for a versatile sweater!

ABBREVIATIONS

K: Knit

P: Purl

RS: Right side

WS: Wrong side

St(s): Stitches

SM: Stitchmarker

K2tog: Knit 2 stitches together as one

Video tutorial for German Short Rows:

https://youtu.be/W_LQ6dfXR1g

Video-tutorial for increases:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Y9OX1eJP8A&t=24s>

TURTLENECK AND YOKE

The Marilyn Turtleneck is knit top down in 1 strand of fingering weight yarn. Start by casting on (68) 72 (72) 76 (76) 80 (84) st(s) on 3.5 mm needles.

Make sure not to cast on too tight as you need to comfortably get it over your head, If you tend to cast on tightly I recommend you go up a needles size for the cast on, or use an elastic cast-on method.

Place a SM at the start to mark the beginning.

Knit a double rib (K 2, P 2) in the round for approx 10 cm or until your desired length. During the first few rounds, make sure your stitches don't twist around but all face inwards.

The neckline can be worn standing or folded over.



Change to 4 mm needles or the needle you get gauge on. Knit stockinette in the round while increasing (16) 16 (20) 20 (28) 32 (32) st(s) evenly = (84) 88 (92) 96 (104) 112 (116) st(s).

Place out 2 new SMs to mark the top of each shoulder, (21) 22 (23) 24 (26) 28 (29) st(s) on each side of the first SM that now marks the center back.

German shortrows are now knit to shape the back of the neck, and the first shoulder-seam increases are knit along with the shortrows.

Knit until 1 st(s) remains before the right sleeve SM. Increase 1, K 1, move SM, K 1, increase 1. This is done at both the right- and left shoulder.

Knit until (4) 6 (6) 8 (8) 8 (8) st(s) after the SM on the right shoulder, TURN your knitting, make a German Short Row stitch (see video tutorial), purl until the mid-SM, then purl until (4) 6 (6) 8 (8) 8 (8) st(s) after the SM on the left shoulder.

Make a German Short Row stitch, turn your knitting to the right side.

Knit until 1 st(s) remains before the right sleeve SM, increase 1, K 1, move SM, K 1, increase 1.

Work your way back to the right shoulder and repeat.

When knitting German Short Rows, you always knit one more stitch than the previous row before you turn your knitting, and when you reach the “extra” stitch, you knit it together with the original one. This is done to avoid holes.

Knit German Short Rows back and forth a total of (2) 4 (4) 4 (4) 6 (6) times, meaning (1) 2 (2) 2 (2) 3 (3) times on each side, doing increases for the shoulder seam on the right/knit side.



Video tutorial for German Short Rows

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You can keep the mid-SM in the back if you want it for reference to where your round starts, but you can also remove it and now count the SM at the back of the right sleeve as the start.

SHOULDER-SEAM INCREASE

Knit until 1 st(s) remains before the right sleeve SM. Increase 1, K 1, move SM, K 1, increase 1. This is done at both the right- and left shoulder.

Read the note on fit and adjustment for shoulder-width below before continuing.

This increase is done at both shoulders EVERY round until you’ve increased a total of (17) 18 (19) 20 (20) 22 (24) times (including the increases you did with the shortrows) on both shoulders = (68) 72 (76) 80 (80) 88 (96) st(s) increased.

On the last increase, place a SM on each side of the 2 mid shoulder st(s), those in between the increases. (4 in total, 2 on both sleeves).

These SMs mark the sleeve-seam.



You now have (152) 160 (168) 176 (184) 200 (212) st(s).

The 2 st(s) on the top of each shoulder are now sleeve-st(s), which means you have (148) 156 (164) 172 (180) 196 (208) st(s) on the body, and 2 st(s) on each sleeve.

I recommend you read the paragraph about adjusting the shoulder-width before starting the increases, in case you want to tailor the width to your shoulders specifically.

NOTE ON FIT AND ADJUSTMENTS FOR SHOULDER-WIDTH

Our shoulder-width is very varied and has little to do with our size and other measurements.

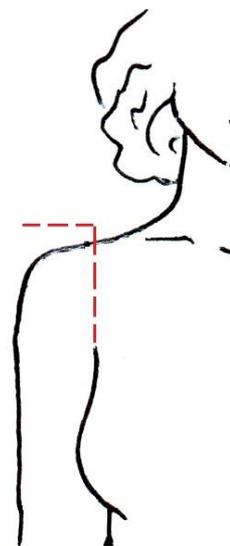
Because of this it is difficult to say just how wide you specifically should knit your shoulders.

The sleeve seam starts where the shoulder-increases end, which should be 3 – 4 cm in from the shoulders outer point as shown in the illustration.

This later creates a tailored look and fit.

Measure the distance from the side of your neck to 3 – 4 cm in from the outer point of your shoulder. Make a note of the measurement and work your increases until you reach this point, not counting the neckline.

Try it on, and adjust.



Note that even when you've reached the designated point of the shoulder it can appear narrow, but trust me when I tell you this is the correct shoulder width. Don't be tempted to do some extra rounds in case!

If the shoulders are knit too wide the whole jumper will turn out too big, with sleeves falling off your shoulders giving it an ill-fitting look as it is designed to look tailored and fitted.

When you've reached the designated shoulder-point you're done with the shoulder-increases:

If you've done fewer or more increases than the size has suggested, make a note of just how many as they will need to be added in or subtracted later to give you enough stitches to fit over the bust.

If you stopped your increases for instance 2 increase-rounds before your size suggests, you will have to later add 8 stitches to achieve the stitch count you need to make it later fit across your bust.

If adding 2 – 8 st(s), cast them on evenly under each sleeve when separating for the sleeves and joining the front and back in the round.

If adding 10 – 20 st(s), increase evenly throughout the body when separating for the sleeves and joining the front and the back in the round.

If adding 22 or more st(s), add half of them to the front and back where the bust starts to increase (before separating for the sleeves), and half when separating for sleeves and joining the body in the round.



If your bust sits high, an adjustment you can do even if you're increasing less than 22 st(s) is add these st(s) before the separation, to make room where it is needed.

If you have wider shoulders than the increases in the pattern suggest, you need to add increases for the shoulder seam, and decrease evenly when separating for the sleeves.

NOTE – For increases done on the right side of the SM, increase leaning right. On the left of the SM, pick up leaning left. This applies to all increases done on each side of an SM throughout the pattern.

SHOULDERS AND SLEEVE-SEAM

When the increase for the shoulder-seam is done, and you've placed out your 4 sleeve-SMs, it's time to increase for the sleeves.

Knit until the first sleeve-SM on the right shoulder, move SM onto the right needle, increase 1, K 1, increase 1, K 1, increase 1, move the second SM.

You went from 2 to 5 st(s) inside the SMs.

Repeat for the next sleeve.

Knit until the first SM on the right shoulder, move SM, increase 1, K 1, increase 1, move SM.

You went from 5 to 11 st(s) inside the SMs.

Repeat for the next sleeve.

Knit until the first SM on the right shoulder, move SM and increase as for the two rounds above- 1 st(s) increased between each st(s) until the second SM on the sleeve.

You went from 11 to 23 st(s) inside the SMs.

Repeat for the next sleeve.

Knit 1 round with no increases.

Knit until the first SM on the right shoulder, move SM, increase 1, knit until the second SM, increase 1, move SM.

Repeat at the next sleeve.

Repeat the two above instructions – one round of increases and one round without, until you have (63) 65 (69) 71 (75) 79 (83) st(s) on each sleeve.

Knit (3) 3 (3) 4 (4) 4 (5) rounds with no more increases.

BODY

It's time to separate for the sleeves and body.

Place the (63) 65 (69) 71 (75) 79 (83) st(s) from the right sleeve onto scrap yarn, increase 2 st(s) where the front- and backpanels meet, knit the front section, put the (63) 65 (69) 71 (75) 79 (83) st(s) from the left sleeve onto scrap yarn, increase 2 st(s) where the front- and backpanels meet.



Place a SM in each join at the sides.

You now have (152) 160 (168) 176 (184) 200 (212) st(s) in total.

After 2 cm of knitting in the round, the shaping of the body starts.

Knit until 3 st(s) remains before the first SM in the side, K2tog, K 1, move SM, K 1, k2tog. Repeat at the next side-SM.

This is done every 2 cm a total of 2 times = 8 st(s) decreased.

You now have (144) 152 (160) 168 (176) 192 (204) st(s).

Knit until the body measures (19) 19 (20) 21 (22) 22 (22) cm from the armpit.

Change to 3.5 mm needles, and knit a double rib (K 2, P 2) for 5 cm or until your desired length. The total length from the armpit will now be (24) 24 (25) 26 (27) 27 (27) cm.

NOTE on length - Depending on what part of your torso “make up” most of your chest measurement, the jumper may or may not need more length to reach the small of your waist.

I, for instance, have wide ribs which make up my measurements – my breasts add very little to it, and so I fill out a garment differently than someone with the same measurements as me but with a fuller bust.

If you have larger breasts this might make garments ride up a bit more, so again I recommend trying it on to make sure you achieve the length you desire.

Cast off. Make sure this is not done tightly. If you're a tight knitter, use an elastic cast-off method or go up a needle size.

SLEEVES

Put the first sleeve back onto your 4mm needles.

Pick up 3 st(s) under the sleeve where the join is = (66) 68 (72) 74 (78) 82 (86) st(s), and place a SM to mark the start of the round.

Knit in the round for 2 cm.

The sleeve is now shaped slimmer, like this; Knit until 3 st(s) before the SM, k2tog, K 1, move SM, K 1, k2tog.

This is done every 2 cm a total of (15) 16 (16) 17 (17) 19 (21) times = (30) 32 (32) 34 (34) 38 (42) st(s) decreased.

You now have (36) 36 (40) 40 (44) 44 (44) st(s) on the sleeve.

Knit until the sleeve measures (43) 44 (45) 45 (45) 45 (45) cm from the armpit, or until your adjusted length before you start the 5cm ribbed cuff.

Change to 3.5 mm needles, and knit a double rib (K 2, P 2) for 5 cm or until your desired length.

The total sleeve length measured from the armpit is (48) 49 (50) 50 (50) 50 (50) cm.

Cast off and repeat for the other sleeve.

ALMOST DONE!

Fasten all loose threads, sew any underarm gaps together, and steam or block as necessary.



I hope you'll be happy with your Marilyn Turtleneck! If you have any questions, or if you notice any mistakes in the pattern, you can get in touch via fabelknitwear@gmail.com.

Use the hashtag #Marilyn Turtleneck And tag me on Instagram when posting images of your knitting, so I can have a look!

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