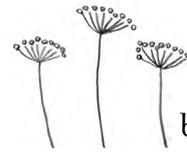# Muscari Sweater

Circular yoke sweater with vertical lace pattern

by Midori Hirose

This sweater has very simple and easy vertical lace pattern in circle yoke construction. I have used both knit and purl stitches in lace pattern so that it will have a unique three dimensional texture, like muscari flowers.

Both samples are knitted with worsted weight wool yarn. You can also use a summer yarn like cotton or linen for a summer sweater, or lace weight mohair and fingering weight wool yarn for airy texture, or any other fiber of your choice. If you have a different vertical gauge, please adjust body and sleeve length for your size.
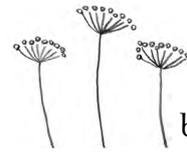
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Sizes

2XS (XS, S, M1)(M2, L, XL, 2XL) (3XL, 4XL, 5XL, 6XL).

Finished bust circumference: 90(94, 99, 105)(110, 116, 121, 127)(135, 145, 155, 164) cm / *35.5(37, 39, 41.25)(43.25, 45.75, 47.75, 50)(53.25, 57, 61, 64.5)"*

Designed to fit with 10–17 cm / 4–6¾" of positive ease.

Yarn

720(740, 770, 810)(860, 940, 1020, 1060)(1160, 1250, 1360, 1430) meters / *791(813, 846, 890)(945, 1033, 1121, 1165) (1275, 1374, 1484, 1571) yards* of worsted weight wool yarn for long sleeves,

510(530, 560, 590)(640, 710, 780, 810)(880, 960, 1030, 1100) meters / *560 (582, 615, 648)(703, 780, 857, 890)(967, 1055, 1132, 1198) yards* for short sleeves.

Sample: De Rerum Natura Gilliatt (100% merino wool; 250 meters/100g), shown in color Poivre et sel (gray beige) for long sleeves and Pavot (red) for short sleeves.

Needles

6 mm / US 10 / JP 13 circular needles as main needle, 5 mm / US 8 /JP 10 as smaller needle for neck, hem and cuff ribbing. Adjust needle size if necessary to get gauge.

Gauge

14.5 sts x 21 rows = 10 cm /4", with main needle in stockinette stitch after wet blocking.

Notions

5 stitch markers (4 for raglan increase, 1 in different color for EOR), waste yarn, tapestry needle.

Abbreviations & Techniques

You can find [a video list](#) on the Ravelry pattern page.

BO = bind off

CO = cast on

dec = decrease

EOR = end of round

inc = increase

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together (dec 1 st)

LHN = left hand needle

LLI = left lifted increase. *See next page*

LS = left side

m1open = make one open increase (inc 1 st). *See next page*

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together (dec 1 st)
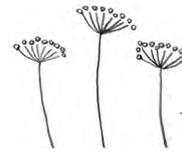
PM = place marker

RHN = right hand needle

RLI = right lifted increase. *See next page*

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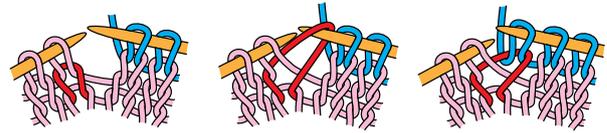
RM = remove marker

RS = right side

SM = slip marker

st; sts = Stitch; Stitches

yo = yarn over

Lori's Twisty Bind Off (k2p1 rib): K2, BO 1 st like in a traditional BO, *twist knitted st with rotating RHN counter-clockwise for one rotation, p1, BO 1 st, twist purled st with rotating RHN clockwise for one rotation, k1, BO 1 st, *do NOT twist knitted st,* k1, BO 1 st *, repeat *–* until last st, cut yarn, pull through the last st.
https://youtu.be/ThJ87oWp08E

m1open (Make One Open Increase): Same as make one increase, with LHN pick up horizontal strand between stitches from *front to back*, then knit the strand. It looks like a yarn over increase, but the eyelet created by make one open increase is slightly smaller than a yarn over eyelet.

LLI (Left lifted increase): Insert the LHN into the st 2 rows below the last st on RHN, lift this st with LHN, insert RHN into the back of the lifted st and knit it.
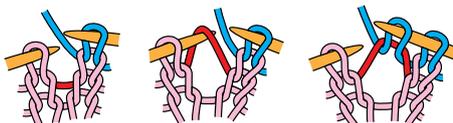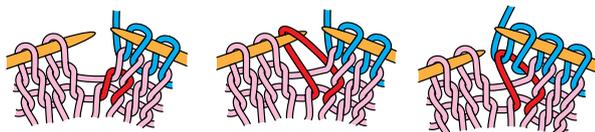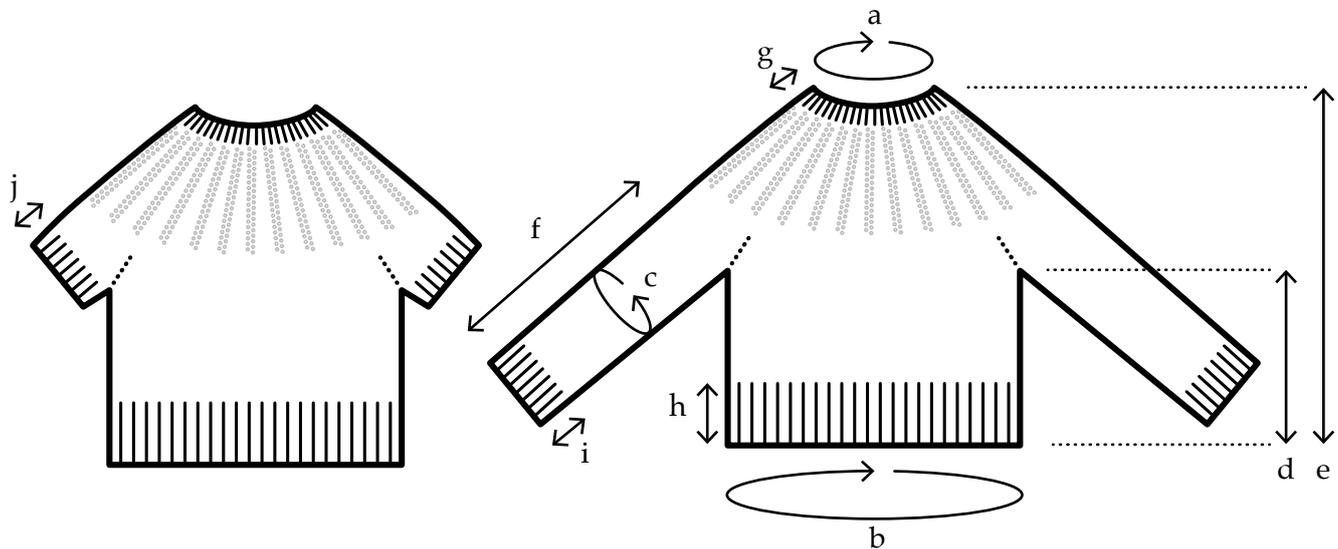
RLI (Right lifted increase): Insert the RHN into the st immediately below the next st on LHN, lift this st and place it on the LHN, insert RHN into the lifted st and knit it.

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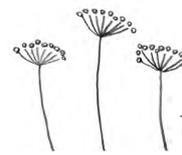
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Finished Measurements

Measurements less than 1 cm & ¼" are rounded

	2XS	XS	S	M1	M2	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
a	45 cm *17¾"*	45 *17¾*	45 *17¾*	49 *19*	49 *19*	49 *19*	50 *19¾*	52 *20½*	52 *20½*	55 *21¾*	57 *22½*	59 *23¼*
b	90 *35½*	94 *37*	99 *39*	105 *41¼*	110 *43¼*	116 *45¾*	121 *47¾*	127 *50*	135 *53¼*	145 *57*	155 *61*	164 *64½*
c	33 *13*	34 *13½*	34 *13½*	36 *14¼*	36 *14¼*	37 *14½*	40 *15¾*	41 *16¼*	45 *17¾*	48 *19*	52 *20½*	55 *21¾*
d	28 *11¼*	28 *11¼*	28 *11¼*	28 *11¼*	32 *12½*	34 *13½*	34 *13½*	34 *13½*	36 *14*	36 *14*	36 *14*	36 *14*
e	56 *22*	56 *22¼*	57 *22½*	57 *22½*	61 *24*	64 *25¼*	67 *26½*	68 *26¾*	70 *27½*	71 *27¾*	72 *28¼*	73 *28¾*

f = 40 cm / *15¾"*, g = 4 cm / *1½"*, h = 8 cm / *3¼"*, i = 6 cm / *2¼"*, j (rib) = 4.5 cm / *1¾"*

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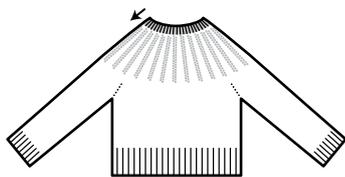Circular yoke sweater with vertical lace pattern   by Midori Hirose

DIRECTIONS

This pullover is worked from the top down in the round. The rounds begin at center back until the end of raglan inc rnds, then at right under arm when you knit the lower body.

SECTION 1: Neckline Ribbing

With smaller needle, using Cable CO, CO 79(79, 79, 85)(85, 85, 88, 91)(91, 97, 100, 103) sts, join in the round by slipping first CO st (slip knot) from LHN to RHN, pass the last CO st over slipped st and pull it, PM (EOR). *= 78(78, 78, 84)(84, 84, 87, 90)(90, 96, 99, 102) sts*

Rounds 1–11: (k2, p1) repeat to end, SM.

SECTION 2: Yoke with lace pattern

LACE PATTERN 1

Set Up Round: *With bigger needle,* (k2, yo, p1) repeat to end, SM. = *104(104, 104, 112) (112, 112, 116, 120)(120, 128, 132, 136) sts*

Round 1: (K2, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM.
Round 2: (K2, yo, p2tog) repeat to end, SM.

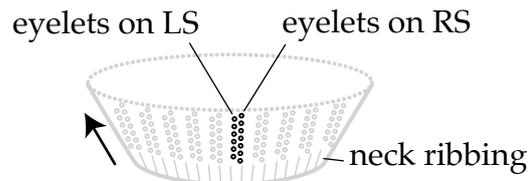**Repeat Rounds 1–2,** 5(5, 5, 5)(5, 4, 4, 4)(4, 4, 4, 4) more times.

Above the neck ribbing, you have 7(7, 7, 7)(7, 6, 6, 6)(6, 6, 6, 6) eyelets (including yo st on needle) on RS and 6(6, 6, 6)(6, 5, 5, 5)(5, 5, 5, 5) eyelets on LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

eyelets on LS   eyelets on RS

neck ribbing

LACE PATTERN 2

Round 1: (K2, LLI, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM. = *130(130, 130, 140)(140, 140, 145, 150) (150, 160, 165, 170) sts*

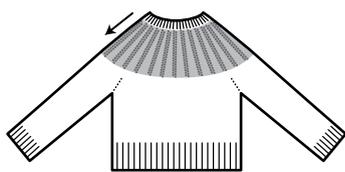**Round 2:** (K3, yo, p2tog) repeat to end, SM.
Round 3: (K3, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM.
Round 4: Same as Round 2.

Repeat Rounds 3–4, 4(4, 4, 4)(4, 3, 3, 3)(3, 3, 3, 3) more times.

Above the neck ribbing, you have 13(13, 13, 13) (13, 11, 11, 11)(11, 11, 11, 11) eyelets on RS and 12(12, 12, 12)(12, 10, 10, 10)(10, 10, 10, 10) eyelets on LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.
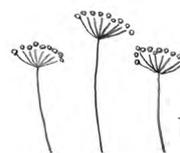
LACE PATTERN 3

Round 1: (RLI, K3, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM. = *156(156, 156, 168)(168, 168, 174, 180) (180, 192, 198, 204) sts*

Round 2: (K4, yo, p2tog) repeat to end, SM.
Round 3: (K4, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM.

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Repeat Rounds 2–3, 4(4, 4, 4)(4, 3, 4, 4)(3, 3, 3, 3) more times.

Above the neck ribbing, you have 18(18, 18, 18)(18, 15, 16, 16)(15, 15, 15, 15) eyelets on both RS and LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

✔ **Size 2XS–M2:** skip to the end of lace rounds.

✔ **Size L–6XL:** Repeat Round 2 once more, then work LACE PATTERN 4.

Above the neck ribbing, you have –(–, –, –)(–, 16, 17, 17)(16, 16, 16, 16) eyelets on RS and –(–, –, –)(–, 15, 16, 16)(15, 15, 15, 15) eyelets on LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

LACE PATTERN 4 (only size L–6XL)

Round 1: (K4, LLI, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM. = –(–, –, –)(–, 196, 203, 210)(210, 224, 231, 238) sts

Round 2: (K5, yo, p2tog) repeat to end, SM.
Round 3: (K5, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM.

Repeat Rounds 2–3, –(–, –, –)(–, 3, 4, 4)(3, 3, 3, 3) more times.

Above the neck ribbing, you have –(–, –, –)(–, 20, 22, 22)(20, 20, 20, 20) eyelets on both RS and LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

✔ **Size L–2XL:** skip to the end of lace rounds.

✔ **Size 3XL–6XL:** Repeat Round 2 once more, then work LACE PATTERN 5.

Above the neck ribbing, you have –(–, –, –)(–, –, –, –)(21, 21, 21, 21) eyelets on the RS and –(–, –, –)(–, –, –, –)(20, 20, 20, 20) eyelets on the LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

LACE PATTERN 5 (only size 3XL–6XL)

Round 1: (RLI, K5, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM. = –(–, –, –)(–, –, –, –)(240, 256, 264, 272) sts

Round 2: (K6, yo, p2tog) repeat to end, SM.
Round 3: (K6, k2tog, yo) repeat to end, SM.

Repeat Rounds 2–3, –(–, –, –)(–, –, –, –)(3, 3, 3, 3) more times.

Above the neck ribbing, you have –(–, –, –)(–, –, –, –)(25, 25, 25, 25) eyelets on both RS and LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.

THE END OF LACE ROUNDS

Round 1: [K4(4 ,4, 4)(4, 5, 5, 5)(6, 6, 6, 6), p2tog] repeat to end, SM. = 130(130, 130, 140)(140, 168, 174, 180)(210, 224   , 231, 238) sts

Round 2: [K4(4 ,4, 4)(4, 5, 5, 5)(6, 6, 6, 6), m1open, k1] repeat to end, SM. = 156(156, 156, 168)(168, 196, 203, 210)(240, 256, 264, 272) sts

Round 3: [K6(6 ,6, 6)(6, 7, 7, 7)(8, 8, 8, 8), m1open] repeat to end, SM. = 182(182, 182, 196)(196, 224, 232, 240)(270, 288, 297, 306) sts

Above the neck ribbing, you have 19(19, 19, 19)(19, 21, 23, 23)(26, 26, 26, 26) eyelets on both RS and LS of each vertical eyelet pattern.
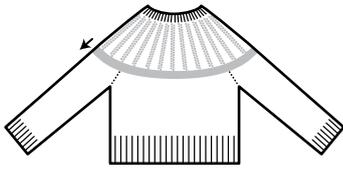
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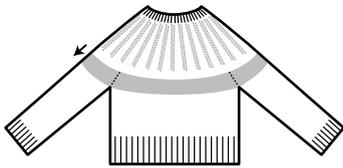Circular yoke sweater with vertical lace pattern
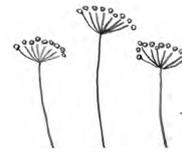
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PLAIN ROUNDS

Next 5(4, 4, 4)(3, 5, 5, 5)(3, 5, 4, 4) Rounds:
K to end, SM.

SECTION 3 : Raglan Increase

Set-Up Round (PM for raglan inc): K28(28, 29, 31)(32, 36, 37, 39)(43, 46, 47, 49) for a half of back body, PM, k36 (35, 33, 36)(34, 40, 42, 43)(50, 53, 55, 56) for right sleeve, PM, k55 (56, 58, 62)(64, 72, 74, 77)(85, 91, 94, 97) for front body, PM, k36 (35, 33, 36)(34, 40, 42, 43)(50, 53, 55, 56) for left sleeve, PM, k27(28, 29, 31)(32, 36, 37, 38)(42, 45, 46, 48) for another half of back body, SM.

Size	Sts between markers				
	back	sleeve	front	sleeve	back
2XS	28	36	55	36	27
XS	28	35	56	35	28
S	29	33	58	33	29
M1	31	36	62	36	31
M2	32	34	64	34	32
L	36	40	72	40	36
XL	37	42	74	42	37
2XL	39	43	77	43	38
3XL	43	50	85	50	42

4XL	46	53	91	53	45
5XL	47	55	94	55	46
6XL	49	56	97	56	48

**Round 1 (inc):** (K to 1 st before marker, RLI, k1, SM, k1, LLI) 4 times, k to end, SM.

Round 2: K to end, SM.

Repeat Rounds 1–2, 1(2, 3, 3)(4, 2, 3, 3) (2, 2, 4, 5) more times. = 198(206, 214, 228) (236, 248, 264, 272)(294, 312, 337, 354) sts

Size	Sts between markers				
	back	sleeve	front	sleeve	back
2XS	30	40	59	40	29
XS	31	41	62	41	31
S	33	41	66	41	33
M1	35	44	70	44	35
M2	37	44	74	44	37
L	39	46	78	46	39
XL	41	50	82	50	41
2XL	43	51	85	51	42
3XL	46	56	91	56	45
4XL	49	59	97	59	48
5XL	52	65	104	65	51
6XL	55	68	109	68	54

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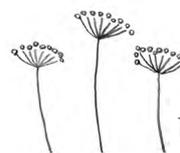
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SECTION 4: Separate body and sleeves

K to marker, *RM, bring the yarn to front of work, slip the next stitch purlwise, then return the yarn to the back, slip the stitch on RHN back to LHN, place 40 (41, 41, 44) (44, 46, 50, 51)(56, 59, 65, 68) sts from LHN on waste yarn, RM, turn work, CO 3(3, 3, 3)(3, 3, 3, 3)(3, 4, 4, 5) sts using Cable CO method, PM for new BOR, CO 4(4, 4, 4) (4, 4, 4, 5)(5, 5, 6, 6) sts, turn work, sl 1 st from LHN to RHN, pass the last CO st over slipped st to close the hole, pull the working yarn (= 6(6, 6, 6)(6, 6, 6, 7)(7, 8, 9, 10) CO sts remain), k to marker*, repeat *–* but do not PM between CO sts, RM (= previous BOR in center back), k to marker *(= new BOR under arm). =130 (136, 144, 152) (160, 168, 176, 184)(196, 210, 225, 238) sts.*

SECTION 5: Lower body
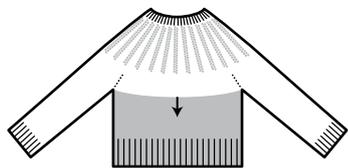
Knit next 43 (43, 43, 43)(50, 55, 55, 55)(58, 58, 58, 58) rounds in Stockinette stitch,

or knit until piece measures 48 (48, 49, 49) (53, 56, 59, 60) (62, 63, 64, 65) cm / 18¾ (19, 19½, 19½)(21, 22¼, 23¼, 23¾) (24¼, 24¾, 25¼, 25½)" from top of neck ribbing

or 3¼" / 8 cm shorter than your favorite body length.

HEM RIBBING

Switch to smaller needle.
Rounds 1–2: Knit to end, SM.

✔ **Size 2XS, XS, M2, 2XL, 3XL & 6XL**
Round 3: K2tog, k1, p1, (k2, p1) repeat to end, SM. = *decreased 1 st*

✔ **Size S, L, 4XL & 5XL**
Round 3: (K2, p1) repeat to end, SM.

✔ **Size M1 & XL**
Round 3: K2tog, k1, p1, (k2, p1) repeat to the half of body (= center of another underarm), k2tog, k1, p1, (k2, p1) repeat to end, SM. = *decreased 2 sts*
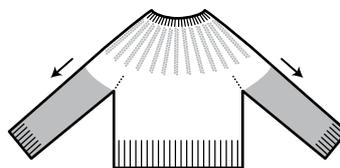
✔ **All SIZES**
Round 4: (K2, p1) repeat to end, SM.

Repeat Round 4, until rib measures 8 cm / 3.25".

With Lori's Twisty BO (or another stretchy BO), BO all sts loosely (knitted sts knitwise, purled sts purlwise).
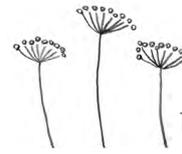
SECTION 6: Sleeves

With larger needle and Magic Loop Method or set of DPNs, move held sleeve sts onto main needle.

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Beginning at center of underarm, pick up 4(4, 4, 4)(4, 4, 4, 4)(4, 5, 5, 6) sts from half of underarm CO, k40 (41, 41, 44)(44, 46, 50, 51)(56, 59, 65, 68) sleeve stitches, then pick up 4(4, 4, 4)(4, 4, 4, 5)(5, 5, 6, 6) sts from remaining underarm, PM (BOR), join for working in the round. = *48(49, 49, 52)(52, 54, 58, 60)(65, 69, 76, 80) sts*

✔ **For short sleeves**
Knit next 2 rounds in Stockinette stitch, then skip to Cuff Ribbing.

✔ **For long sleeves**

Knit next 72 rounds in Stockinette stitch.

or knit until sleeve measures 34 cm / 13½" from underarm CO,

or 6 cm / 2¼" shorter than your favorite sleeve length.

CUFF RIBBING

Switch to smaller needle.
Rounds 1–2: Knit to end, SM.

✔ **Size 2XS, L, 2XL & 4XL**
Round 3: (K2, p1) repeat to end, SM.

✔ **Size XS, S, M1, M2, XL & 5XL**
Round 3: K2tog, k1, p1, (k2, p1) repeat to end, SM. = *decreased 1 st*

✔ **Size 3XL & 6XL**
Round 3: K2tog, k1, p1, (k2, p1) repeat to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k1, p1, SM.
= *decreased 2 sts*

✔ **ALL SIZES**
Round 4: (K2, p1) repeat to end, SM.

Repeat Round 4, until rib measures 6 cm / 2¼" for long sleeves, or 4.5 cm / 1¾" for short sleeves.

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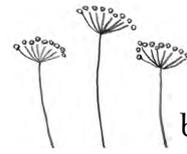
FINISHING:

If you knit this lace pattern in the round, eyelets on LS will be smaller than eyelet on RS. I think this asymmetrical lace is also lovely, but if you prefer a symmetrical look, please gently pull the eyelet hole towards the bigger eyelet hole before wet block.

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Weave in all ends and block fabric.

Wet Block for De Rerum Natura Gilliatt and other woolen-spun yarn: Soak finished sweater with warm water (less than 30℃) for 30 minutes, drain and remove excess water with towels, stretch the garment and block, leave it until it dries.

For knits in worsted-spun yarns: use cold water and soak for 10 minutes.

https://brooklyntweed.com/pages/blocking-101