





# Olympia

During my adolescence, I was fascinated by the nudes of various painters. Naming this sweater was challenging, but I chose Manet's *Olympia* for two reasons: the model's bold gaze and the ribbon around her neck, which is central to this design. Her confident demeanor and control over her body resonated with me, making Olympia the perfect muse for this piece.

## SIZES

1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9)

Recommended ease: 2-4" / 5-10 cm of positive ease.

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust Circumference: 37 (41.25, 45.5, 48.25, 51.5) (54.5, 58, 61.5, 64)" / 94 (104.5, 113, 122.5, 131) (138.5, 147.5, 156, 162.5) cm.

Body Length to Underarm: 12 (12.5, 12.5, 13, 13) (13.5, 13.5, 14, 14)" / 30 (32, 32, 33, 33) (34, 34, 36, 36) cm.

Raglan Depth (at Front): 7 (7.75, 8.5, 9, 10) (11, 11.75, 12.5, 13)" / 18 (20, 22, 23, 25) (28, 30, 32, 33) cm.

Upper Arm Circumference: 14 (15, 16, 17, 18.5) (19.5, 20.5, 21.5, 22.25)" / 35.5 (38, 40.5, 43, 47) (49.5, 52, 54.5, 56.5) cm.

Sleeve Length to Underarm (with Folded Cuff): 19 (19, 19.5, 19.5, 20) (20, 20, 20.5, 20.5)" / 48 (48, 50, 50, 51) (51, 51, 52, 52) cm.

Back Neck Width: 7.75 (8, 8.25, 9, 9.25) (9.75, 10.5, 10.5, 10.75)" / 19.5 (20.5, 21, 23, 23.5) (25, 26.5, 26.5, 27.5) cm.

## MATERIALS

Yarn: 8 (8, 9, 10, 11) (12, 13, 14, 15) balls of Mohair Bliss by Pascuali (60% superkid mohair, 40% mulberry silk, 328 yds / 300 m - 25 g), colourway Agave.

Or approx. 2309 (2602, 2886, 3146, 3549) (3875, 4180, 4582, 4806) yds / 2112 (2380, 2639, 2877, 3246) (3544, 3823, 4190, 4395) m of lace-weight yarn.

Two strands are held together throughout.

Needles: US 1.5 / 2.5 mm 16" / 40 cm circular needles (optional) or a set of DPNs. US 4 / 3.5 mm and US 5 / 3.75 mm 16" / 40 cm (optional) and 32" / 80 cm (or longer for larger sizes) circular needles and a set of DPNs (optional).

Notions: Stitch markers (with one of a different colour for BOR), stitch holders or waste yarn, tapestry needle, 2 yds / 2 m of 1.25" / 3 cm wide satin ribbon.

## GAUGE

23 sts x 28 rnds to 4" / 10 cm on US 5 / 3.75 mm needles in St St with 2 strands of yarn held together, after blocking.

## DIRECTIONS

This sweater is worked from the top down with raglan shaping. A small section of short rows is worked at the back of the neck for a more relaxed fit. The yoke is first worked back and forth to create a back opening and is then joined to work in the round to underarms. A satin ribbon is slipped through the neckband opening and a bow is tied at the back.

## NECKBAND

With US 4 / 3.5 mm 80 cm / 32" circular needles (or longer for larger sizes), and two strands of yarn held together, CO 128 (132, 136, 140, 144) (146, 150, 152, 152) sts using the Long-Tail CO Method. Do not join in the rnd.

Working back and forth, work in rib as follows:

ROW 1 (RS): Sl 1, \*k1, p1\*, rep \*-\* to last st, k1.

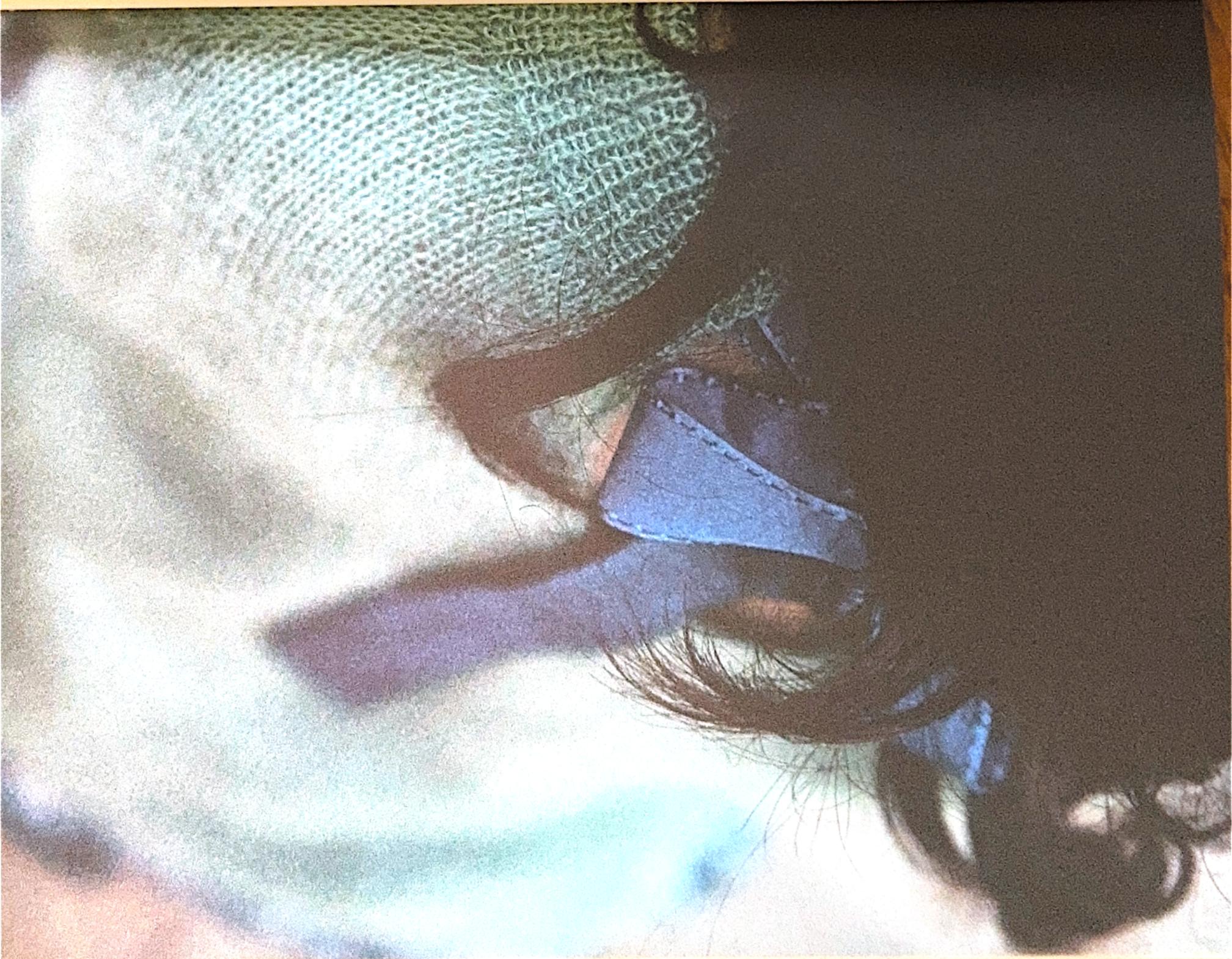
Rep Row 1 until work measures 2.5" / 6.5 cm from CO edge, ending with a RS row.

NEXT ROW (WS): K to end.

Rep last row for 1 x 1 rib patt until work measures 5" / 12.5 cm from CO edge, ending with a WS row.

ADJUSTMENT ROW (RS): K and inc 0 (0, 0, 6, 10) (10, 14, 14, 18) sts evenly spaced across using ml.  
[128 (132, 136, 146, 154) (156, 164, 166, 170) sts]

Change to US 5 / 3.75 mm 80 cm / 32" circular needles (or longer for larger sizes) and work as follows:  
SET-UP ROW (WS): P18 (19, 20, 23, 24) (24, 26, 27, 28)





for left back, PM, p4, PM, p18 (18, 18, 20) (20, 20, 20, 20) for left sleeve, PM, p4, PM, p40 (42, 44, 48, 50) (52, 56, 56, 58) for front, PM, p4, PM, p18 (18, 18, 18, 20) (20, 20, 20, 20) for right sleeve, PM, p4, PM, p18 (19, 20, 23, 24) (24, 26, 27, 28) for right back, PM, p18 (132, 136, 146, 154) (156, 164, 166, 170) sts with 8 markers placed]

#### Shape Back Neck

*Note:* You will be working back and forth while increasing for the raglan at the same time as working Short Row shaping. Each side of the neck will be worked separately.

**SHORT ROW 1 (RS):** \*K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> once more, k2 (2, 2, 3, 3) (3, 4, 4, 4), tw. (4 sts inc'd)

**SHORT ROW 2 (WS):** MDS, \*p to next m, SM, p4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> once more, p to end, tw.

**SHORT ROW 3:** K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, k to 14 (14, 14, 15, 16) (16, 17, 17, 17) sts bef DS, tw. (2 sts inc'd)

**SHORT ROW 4:** MDS, p to next m, SM, p4, SM, p to end, tw.

**SHORT ROW 5:** K to 14 (14, 14, 15, 16) (16, 17, 17, 17) sts bef DS, tw.

**SHORT ROW 6:** MDS, p to end, tw.

**SHORT ROW 7:** K10 (10, 10, 12, 12) (12, 14, 14, 14), tw.

**SHORT ROW 8:** MDS, p to end, tw.

**NEXT ROW:** Working the DS's as one (as a k2tog), \*K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end. (8 sts inc'd)

**SHORT ROW 9 (WS):** \*P to next m, SM, p4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> once more, p2 (2, 2, 3, 3) (3, 4, 4, 4), tw.

**SHORT ROW 10 (RS):** MDS, \*k to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> once more, k to end. (4 sts inc'd)

**SHORT ROW 11:** P to next m, SM, p4, SM, p to 14 (14, 14, 15, 16) (16, 17, 17, 17) sts bef DS, tw.

**SHORT ROW 12:** MDS, k to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, k to end. (2 sts inc'd)

**SHORT ROW 13:** P to 14 (14, 14, 15, 16) (16, 17, 17, 17) sts bef DS, tw.

**SHORT ROW 14:** MDS, k to end.

**SHORT ROW 15:** P10 (10, 10, 12, 12) (12, 14, 14, 14), tw.

**SHORT ROW 16:** MDS, k to end.

**NEXT ROW:** Working the DS's as one (as a p2tog), \*p to next m, SM, p4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, p to end. [148 (152, 156, 166, 174) (176, 184, 186, 190) sts total: 21 (22, 23, 26, 27) (27, 29, 30, 31) sts for each back, 23 (23, 23, 23, 25) (25, 25, 25, 25) sts for each sleeve, 44 (46, 48, 52, 54) (56, 60, 60, 62) sts for front and 16 raglan sts]

#### Raglan Increases

**ROW 1 (INC):** \*K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end. (8 sts inc'd)

**ROW 2:** \*P to next m, SM, p4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, p to end.

Rep Rows 1-2, 15 (15, 15, 16, 16) (16, 17, 17, 17) more times ending with a Row 2. [276 (280, 284, 302, 310) (312, 328, 330, 334) sts]

#### Join Raglan Yoke

**NEXT RND (INC):** \*K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end, using the Backwards Loop CO Method, CO 4 sts for centre back placing a join in for BOR in the centre of sts (centre back), and join to work in the rnd. [288 (292, 296, 314, 322) (324, 340, 342, 346) sts]

**NEXT RND:** \*K to next m, SM, k4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end.

**RND 1 (INC):** \*K to next m, mlr, SM, k4, SM, ml<sup>1</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end. (8 sts inc'd)

**RND 2:** \*K to next m, SM, k4, SM<sup>\*</sup>, rep \*-<sup>\*</sup> 3 more times, k to end.

Rep Rnds 1-2, 5 (7, 10, 11, 14) (17, 19, 22, 24) more times ending with a Row 2. [336 (356, 384, 410, 442) (468, 500, 526, 546) sts total: 92 (98, 106, 116, 124) (130, 140, 148, 154) sts for back, 69 (73, 79, 83, 91) (97, 103, 109, 113) sts for each sleeve, 90 (96, 104, 112, 120) (128, 138, 144, 150) sts for front and 16 sts between m's for raglans]

#### Divide for Body

**NEXT RND:** Leave BOR in pl, k to next m, RM and cont to remove raglan m's as you come to them, k2, pl next 73 (77, 83, 87, 95) (101, 107, 113, 117) sts for sleeve on to waste yarn or holder, using the Backwards Loop CO

Method, CO 10 (14, 14, 16, 16) (18, 18, 20, 20) sts for underarm, k across next 94 (100, 108, 116, 124) (132, 142, 148, 154) sts for front, pl next 73 (77, 83, 87, 95) (101, 107, 113, 117) sts for sleeve on to waste yarn or holder, using Backwards Loop CO Method, CO 10 (14, 14, 16, 16) (18, 18, 20, 20) sts for underarm, k to end of rnd. [210 (230, 246, 268, 284) (302, 322, 340, 352) sts]

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** K, inc 2 (8, 10, 10, 12) (12, 12, 14, 16) sts around by placing 0 (3, 4, 3, 4) (5, 5, 5, 6) of the sts evenly spaced across the back and 2 (5, 6, 7, 8) (7, 7, 9, 10) of the sts evenly spaced across the front using ml. [212 (238, 256, 278, 296) (314, 334, 354, 368) sts]

Cont in St St in the rnd until work measures 10.25 (10.75, 10.75, 11.25, 11.25) (11.75, 11.75, 12.5, 12.25)" / 26 (27.5, 27.5, 28.5, 28.5) (30, 30, 31, 31) cm from underarm or 1.75" / 4.5 cm less than desired length to start of lower hem.

#### LOWER HEM

Change to US 4 / 3.5 mm 32" / 80 cm circular needles (or longer for larger sizes).

**RND 1:** \*K1, p1\*, rep \*-\* to end.

Rep Rnd 1 for 1 x 1 rib until it measures 1.75" / 4.5 cm. BO evenly in 1 x 1 rib.

#### SLEEVES

P1 73 (77, 83, 87, 95) (101, 107, 113, 117) sts from waste yarn for right sleeve onto DPNs (or needles in preferred style for working small circumferences). Beg at centre of underarm, pick up and k 5 (7, 7, 8, 8) (9, 9, 10, 10) sts along underarm CO sts, k 73 (77, 83, 87, 95) (101, 107, 113, 117) sts from sleeve, and then pick up and k 5 (7, 7, 8, 8) (9, 9, 10, 10) sts along underarm CO to centre. PM to mark BOR. [83 (91, 97, 103, 111) (119, 125, 133, 137) sts]

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** K, dec 3 (5, 5, 5) (7, 7, 9, 9) sts evenly spaced around using k2tog. [80 (86, 92, 98, 106) (112, 118, 124, 128) sts]

Cont in St St in the rnd until work measures 17.25 (17.25, 17.75, 17.75, 18.25) (18.25, 18.25, 18.75, 18.75)" /

44 (44, 45, 45, 46) (46, 46, 48, 48) cm from underarm or 1.75" / 4.5 cm less than desired length to start of cuff.

#### Sizes 1, 2 and 7 only

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** [K2tog, k2 (1, -, -, -) (-, 0, -, -)], \*k2tog, k4 (3, -, -, -) (-, 1, -, -)\*, rep \*-\* to last 4 (3, -, -) (-, 2, -, -) sts, [k2tog, k2 (1, -, -, -) (-, 0, -, -)]. [66 (68, -, -, -) (-, 78, -, -, -) sts]

#### Sizes 3, 5 and 6 only

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** K- (-, 3, -, 5) (2, -, -, -), \*k2tog, k- (-, 2, -, 1) (1, -, -, -)\*, rep \*-\* to last - (-, 1, -, 5) (2, -, -, -) sts, k- (-, 1, -, 5) (2, -, -, -). [- (-, 70, -, 74) (76, -, -, -) sts]

#### Size 4 only

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** [K2tog, k1, k2tog], \*k2tog, k2\*, rep \*-\* to last 5 sts, k2tog, k1, k2tog. (72 sts)

#### Sizes 8 and 9 only

**ADJUSTMENT RND:** K 7, \*k2tog, k1, k2tog\*, rep \*-\* to last - (-, -, -, -) (-, -, 7, 6) sts, k- (-, -, -, -) (-, -, 7, 6). [- (-, -, -, -) (-, -, 80, 82) sts]

#### Cuff

Change to US 1.5 / 2.5 mm DPNs or preferred style for small circumference knitting.

**RND 1:** \*K1, p1\*, rep \*-\* to end.

Rep Rnd 1 for 1 x 1 rib until it measures 1.75" / 4.5 cm.

**NEXT RND:** P to end.

**NEXT RND:** As Rnd 1.

Rep last rnd for 1 x 1 rib until it measures 3.5" / 9 cm. BO evenly in 1 x 1 rib.

#### FINISHING

Fold neckband in half to WS along garter ridge and sl st neatly in place. Rep for sleeve cuffs.

Weave in ends, closing any gaps that remain at underarms. Block to measurements. Slip ribbon through opening at neckband. Tie in bow at back of neck.

