

# Sibilla Sweater

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**Sizes** XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL)

**Bust circumference** 100 (106) 112 (118) 123 (132) 143 (152)cm [39<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (41<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) 44 (46<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) 48<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (52) 56<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (59<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>)"]

**Length** 58 (60) 60 (62) 62 (64) 65 (66)cm [22<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (23<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) 23<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (24<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) 24<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (25<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) 25<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (26)"] (measured from the center back, including the neck band)

**Sleeve circumference** 39 (39) 42 (42) 43 (43) 45 (48)cm [15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) 17 (17) 17<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (19)"]

**Sleeve length** 44 (44) 44 (44) 43 (43) 43 (43)cm [17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) 17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) 17 (17) 17 (17)"]

**Gauge** 10 x 10cm [4 x 4"] = 14 stitches x 22 rows in moss stitch **or** in suggested swatch pattern with 5.5mm [US9] needle, 20-21 stitches in 1 x 1 rib with 4mm [US6] needle, after washing and blocking

**Needles** 5.5mm [US9]: 40cm [16"], 60 or 80 and/or 100cm [24 or 32 and/or 40"], 100 or 120cm [40 or 47"] circular needles, and/or DPNs

4mm [US6]: 40cm [16"], 100 or 120cm [40 or 47"] circular needles, and/or DPNs

**Yarn & weight** 400 (400) 450 (450) 450 (450-500) 500 (500-550)g of Jensen by Isager (50g=125m [136 yds]) **and** 2 strands of 225-250 (250) 275 (275) 275 (275) 300 (300-325)g of Silk Mohair by Lana Gatto (25g=212m [232 yds]), **3 strands held together**

**Others** elastic thread (optional), waste yarn to put stitches on hold, tapestry needle, cable needle (optional)

The Sibilla Sweater is a top-down drop shoulder sweater with an alluring combination of cables. First, the back neck is cast on and worked in pattern with increases to shape the shoulder slope. Then, stitches are picked up for each shoulder and worked in pattern to neck depth, before the two shoulder pieces are joined

together and continued to be worked in pattern for the front yoke. When the two yokes are done, the pieces are joined together and the body is worked in the round. The sleeves are worked in pattern in the round with decreases. Finally, the neck band is worked and bound off folded.

The Sibilla Sweater requires the following techniques: knit and purl stitches, cross stitches, increases (M1L, M1R, M1pL, M1pR), decreases (k2tog, ssk, p2tog, ssp), and tubular bind off.

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### 1. Size guide

The Sibilla Sweater is designed to have 15-20cm [6-8"] of positive ease. The sizes XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL) are meant to fit to bust circumferences 80-85 (85-90) 90-95 (95-100) 100-110 (110-120) 120-130 (130-140)cm [31½-33½ (33½-35½) 35½-37½ (37½-39¼) 39¼-43¼ (43¼-47¼) 47¼-51¼ (51¼-55)"]. The model in the photos has a bust of 90cm [35½"], and wears a size S with 16cm [6¼"] of ease.

### 2. Abbreviations

<b>BOR</b>	beginning of round	<b>CO</b>	cast on	<b>k</b>	knit	<b>p</b>	purl
<b>rep **</b>	repeat between * and *	<b>RS</b>	right side	<b>st/sts</b>	stitch/stitches	<b>WS</b>	wrong side

### 3. Skills

**M1R(p)** pick up the strand between 2 sts from back to front with left needle and knit (purl)  
**M1L(p)** pick up the strand between 2 sts from front to back with left needle and knit (purl) through back loop  
**K/p2tog** knit/purl 2 sts together  
**Ssk** slip 1 st knitwise, slip 1 st purlwise, slip 2 sts back to left needle purlwise, k2tog through back loop  
**Ssp** slip 1 st purlwise, slip 1 st knitwise, slip 2 sts back to left needle purlwise, p2tog through back loop

### 4. Cables and gauge

Please refer to page 7 about the cables, their symbols and the gauge.

Playlist for the Sweater: [www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLA1zNnDsoxMZi7snaqlJiaJxB14O3BSzg](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLA1zNnDsoxMZi7snaqlJiaJxB14O3BSzg)

## Back yoke

With 5.5mm/80 or 100cm [US9/32 or 40"] needles, CO 32 stitches using your preferred method. Work the back as **Chart A** with increases in order to shape the shoulder slope. There are now 96 stitches.

Then, work **Chart B** beginning on Row 1 and ending on Row 0 (2) 4 (6) 6 (8) 12 (14) for the cables **while at the same time** continuing to work increases in moss stitch at each side following **Chart A.1**. There are 96 (100) 104 (108) 108 (112) 120 (124) stitches and 32 (34) 36 (38) 38 (40) 44 (46) rows now.

Place a marker after 2 stitches at each side. These edge stitches are not written in the chart but will be worked in stockinette stitch throughout the yoke. Then work **Chart B** from Row 1 (3) 5 (7) 7 (1) 5 (7) to Row 26 (28) 32 (32) 34 (26) 30 (32), a total of 26 (26) 28 (26) 28 (26) 26 (26) rows. Cut the yarn and rest the stitches.

## Left shoulder

RS facing, turn the back yoke upside down so the cast-on edge is at the top. Then, using 5.5mm/60 or 80cm [US9/24 or 32"] needles, pick up 33 (35) 37 (39) 39 (41) 45 (47) stitches, one stitch from every row along the left slant — from the center towards the left shoulder edge (pay attention and pick up from the stitch with the row marker from Chart A. If not, the shoulder pattern might not align with the back yoke). Place a marker after 2 stitches at the left shoulder edge. The edge stitches are not written in the chart, but will be worked in stockinette stitch. Work the left shoulder as indicated in **Chart C** for 26 (26) 26 (26) 28 (28) 28 (28) rows. There are 40 (42) 44 (46) 46 (48) 52 (54) stitches for the shoulder. Cut the yarn and put stitches on hold.

## Right shoulder

Along the right slant of the back yoke, pick up 33 (35) 37 (39) 39 (41) 45 (47) stitches from every row with 5.5mm/100 or 120cm [US9/40 or 47"] circular needles, from the right shoulder edge towards the center (the first stitch is picked up from the first even row after the back increases. Count backwards from the stitch with the row marker to be sure). Place a marker after 2 stitches at the right shoulder edge. The edge stitches are not written in the chart, but will be worked in stockinette stitch. Work the shoulder as **Chart C** for 26 (26) 26 (26) 28 (28) 28 (28) rows. There are 40 (42) 44 (46) 46 (48) 52 (54) stitches now. Do not cut the yarn.

## Front yoke

Work the last 2 rows of **Chart C** while joining the two shoulders together CO 16 stitches using the backwards loop method. There are now 96 (100) 104 (108) 108 (112) 120 (124) stitches. Continue to work the front yoke as **Chart B** from Row 5 (5) 5 (5) 7 (7) 7 (7) to Row 34 (36) 40 (40) 42 (42) 46 (48), a total of 30 (32) 36 (36) 36 (36) 40 (42) rows. Do not cut the yarn.

## Body

While removing all markers, join the front and the back yokes together as Row 3 (5) 1 (1) 3 (3) 7 (1) of **Chart B** using the backwards loop cast on method as follows:

Work the front, CO 0 (0) 0 (0) 4 (6) 6 (8), Work the back, CO 0 (0) 0 (0) 2 (2) 2 (4), place marker (BOR), CO 0 (0) 0 (0) 2 (4) 4 (4)

There are now 192 (200) 208 (216) 224 (236) 252 (264) stitches for the body. The edge stitches at each side will be worked in moss stitch.

Work in the round from Row 4 (6) 2 (2) 4 (4) 8 (2) of **Chart B** until the center back measures 47 (49) 49 (51) 51 (53) 54 (55)cm [18½ (19¼) 19¼ (20) 20 (20¾) 21¼ (21¾)"] from the back yoke cast-on edge or the desired length and preferably end with Row 4 or Row 6. After this, change to 4mm needles and work the rib repeating \*k1, p1\* for 8cm [3¼"]. Then before working bind off, work in double knitting as follows:

**Row 1**        rep \*k1, slip 1 st with yarn in front\* to end

**Row 2**        rep \*slip 1 st with yarn in back, p1\* to end

Work the tubular bind off.

## Sleeve

Begin to pick up along the armhole. Using 5.5mm/40cm [US/16"] circular needles or DPNs, first pick up 12 (12) 14 (14) 13 (12) 13 (14) stitches and place a marker: approximately 2 stitches every 3 rows. Then, pick up 46 stitches and place a marker: every row for sizes XS (S) M (L), 4 stitches every 5 rows for sizes XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL). Then again, pick up 12 (12) 14 (14) 13 (12) 13 (14) stitches: 2 stitches every 3 rows.

Finally, pick up 0 (0) 0 (0) 4 (6) 6 (8) stitches from the underarm cast-on edge and place a BOR marker in the middle of these stitches. There are 70 (70) 74 (74) 76 (76) 78 (82) stitches for the sleeve.

Begin to work the sleeve in the round: the first and the last sections in moss stitch, the middle section in cables as **Chart D** (on page 9) **while at the same time** working a decrease row every 12 (12) 9 (10) 9 (9) 9 (8)th row, a total of 6 (6) 8 (7) 8 (8) 8 (9) times as follows:

K2tog or p2tog per the pattern (matching the 2nd st on the left needle), work **Chart D** to last 2 sts, ssk or ssp per the pattern (matching the next stitch on the left needle)

There are now 58 (58) 58 (60) 60 (60) 62 (64) stitches after the decreases. Continue to work as the chart indicates for 2.5 (2.5) 2.5 (3.5) 2 (2) 2 (2)cm [1 (1) 1 (1½) 0¾ (0¾) 0¾ (0¾)"] or until the desired length.

Now, change to 4mm DPNs and work the rib for 8cm [3¼"]. Then, work the edges as follows:

**Row 1** rep \*k1, slip 1 st with yarn in front\* to end

**Row 2** rep \*slip 1 st with yarn in back, p1\* to end

Bind off using the tubular bind off method.

## Neck band

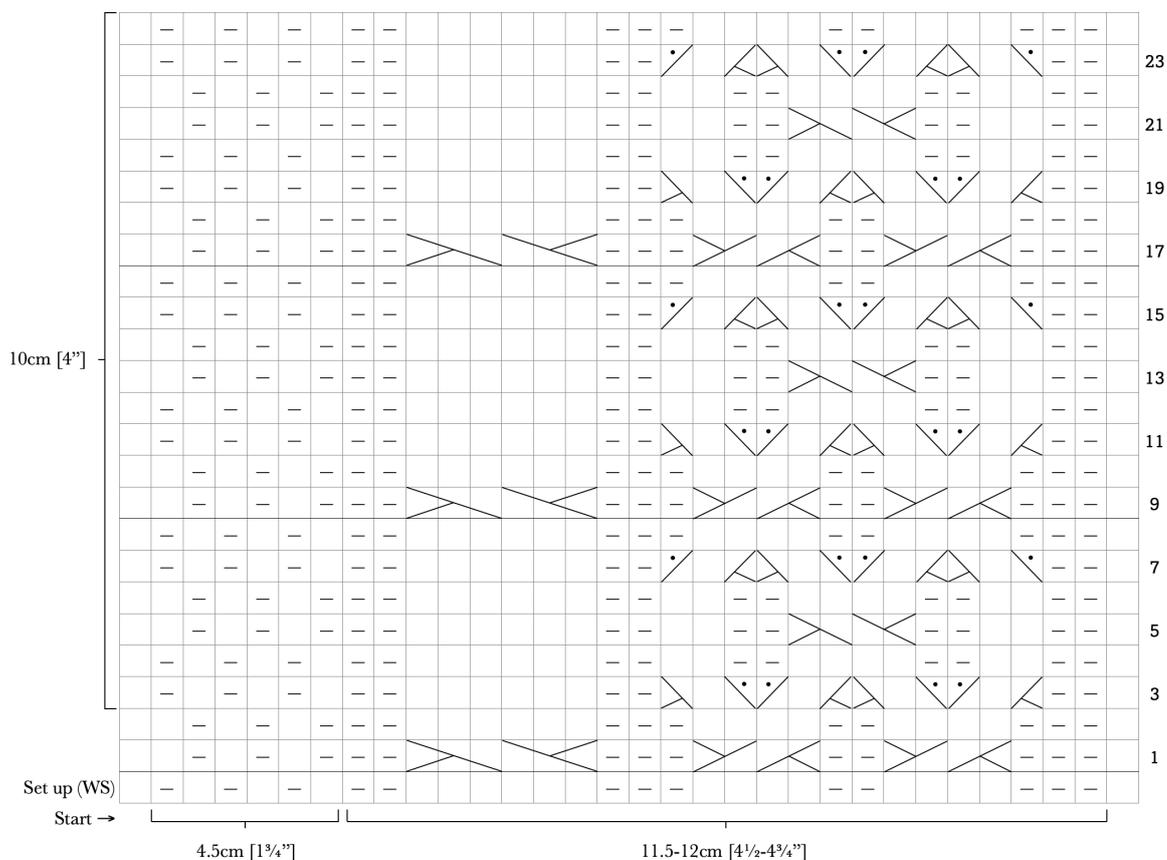
With 4mm DPNs, pick up stitches: 30 stitches at the back neck skipping 1 stitch every 11th stitch, 9 (9) 9 (9) 11 (11) 11 (11) stitches along the straight side: 3 stitches every 4 rows, 12 stitches along the slanted (increased) side: 4 stitches every 5 rows, 16 stitches at the front neck: one stitch for every stitch in the cast-on edge. There are now a total of 88 (88) 88 (88) 92 (92) 92 (92) stitches for the neck edge. Work the \*k1, p1\* rib for 7cm [2¾"] and bind off using the stretchy bind off as follows ([video #3](#)):

Pick up 1 st from the pick-up edge, k2tog, rep \*p1, slip 2 sts to left needle, k2tog through back loop, pick up 1 st from the pick-up edge, k2tog, slip 1 st to left needle, k2tog through back loop\* to end

Then cut the yarn. If the neck band looks loose, insert elastic thread.

# Swatch

Make sure to wash the swatch to obtain the correct gauge as it can be wider and larger after washing.  
Cast on 32 sts and work as below.



Knit on RS (purl on WS)

Purl on RS (knit on WS)

M1L increase (M1pL on WS)

M1pL increase (M1L on WS)

M1R increase (M1pR on WS)

M1pR increase (M1R on WS)

Backwards loop cast on

**2/2 RC**: slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at back, k2 from left needle, k2 from cable needle

**2/1 RpC**: slip 1 st onto a cable needle and hold at back, k2 from left needle, p1 from cable needle

**2/1 LpC**: slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front, p1 from left needle, k2 from cable needle

**2/1 RC**: slip 1 st onto a cable needle and hold at back, k2 from left needle, k1 from cable needle

**2/2 LC**: slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front, k2 from left needle, k2 from cable needle

**1/1 LC**: slip 1 st onto a cable needle and hold at front, k1 from left needle, k1 from cable needle

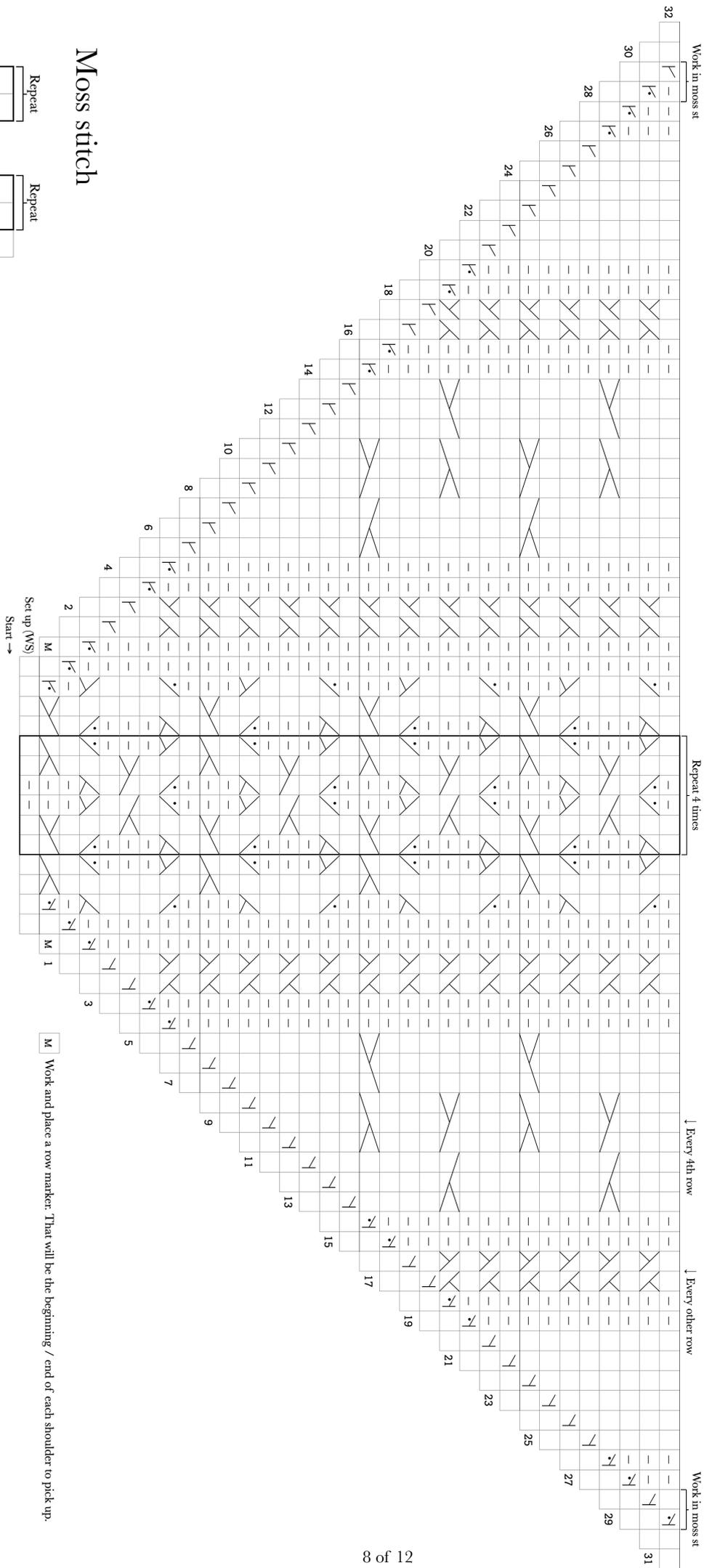
**1/1 RC**: slip 1 st onto a cable needle and hold at back, k1 from left needle, k1 from cable needle

**3/3 RC**: slip 3 sts onto a cable needle and hold at back, k3 from left needle, k3 from cable needle

**3/3 LC**: slip 3 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front, k3 from left needle, k3 from cable needle

# Chart A

## Video playlist for the cables

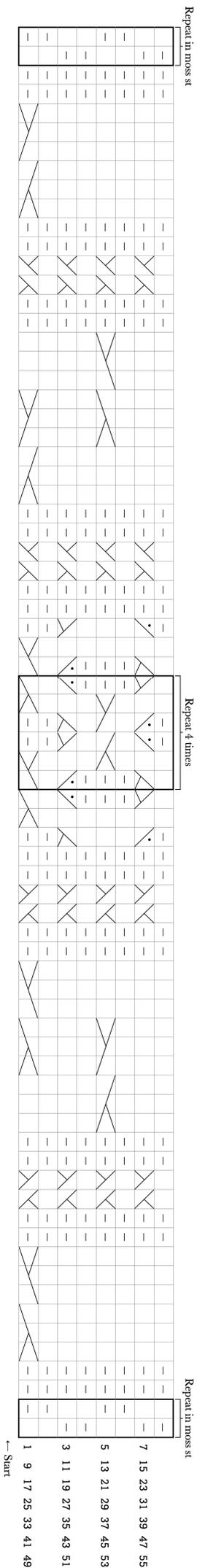


## Chart B

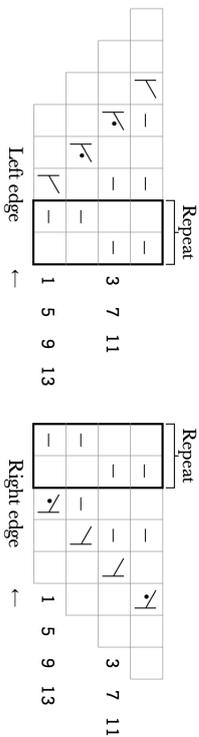
The yokes: 2 edge sts in stockinette st, 2 (4) 6 (8) 8 (10) 14 (16) sts in moss st, work cables, 2 (4) 6 (8) 8 (10) 14 (16) sts in moss st, 2 edge sts in stockinette st

The body: work 4 (6) 8 (10) 12 (16) 20 (22) sts in moss st, work cable (front), work 8 (12) 16 (20) 24 (30) 38 (44) in moss st, work cables (back),

work 4 (6) 8 (10) 12 (14) 18 (22) in moss stitch

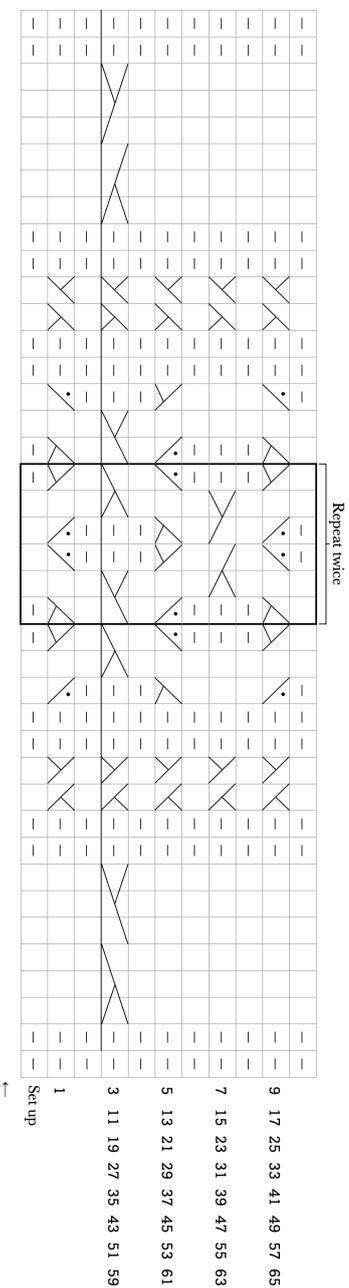


## Chart A.1 (increase in moss st)



## Chart D

Set up: counting from the BOR, k1, continue in moss st, work cables, k1 (k1) k1 (k1) p1 (p1) k1 (k1), continue in moss st.





# Sizes XL (2XL) 3XL (4XL)

