



# SOLÉNE TOP

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KNITTING PATTERN

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# PERFECT LACE TOP



**Solène top** is the perfect companion for warm summer days — light, breezy, and effortlessly stylish. It's a quick and enjoyable knit, ideal for those looking for a satisfying summer project. Match with the Solène skirt for a stylish summer set.

The top is worked from the bottom up, following a simple lace chart that adds a delicate touch. The body is knit in the round, then divided to shape the front and back, which are worked flat to form a graceful boat neckline.

The shoulders are seamlessly joined using the Kitchener stitch for a smooth finish. Finally, stitches are picked up along the armholes, and a neat edge is created with purl stitches, completing the refined look.

# SPECIFICATIONS

## Sizes

XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL)

## Finished bust circumference

72 (84) 96 (108) 120 (132) cm / 28.5 (33) 37.8 (42.5) 47 (52)".

## Length from underarm to hem

28.5 cm / 11.25"

The length can be adjusted by adding lace panels to the hem. The length of one chart repeat is approximately. 5.5 cm / 2.15".

## Length from upper middle back to hem

45.5 (45.5) 45.5 (51.5) 51.5 (51.5) cm / 18.0 (18.0) 18.0 (20.5) 20.5 (20.5)".

## Gauge

20 sts x 28 rnds = 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4" in Stockinette St using 4 mm (US 6) needles

## Needles

4 mm (US 6) circular needles.

## Yarn

150 (175) 225 (275) 325 (400) g Knitting for Olive Pure Silk (100 % silk / 250 m / 273 yds / 50 g). The top is worked holding two strands of yarn together.

## Notions

Stitch markers, tapestry needle.

## Abbreviations

**BO:** bind off

**BOR:** beginning of round

**CDD:** centered double decrease. Sl 2 sts knitwise, k1, pass slipped sts over.

**CO:** cast on

**K:** knit

**Kwise:** knit wise

**M1:** make 1

**M1p:** make 1 purl

**P:** purl

**Rnd:** round

**SSK:** slip, slip, knit: slip 2 sts knitwise to the right needle, slip them back to the left needle and knit tog through the back loop (1 st decreased)

**Sl:** slip

**Sts:** stitches

**Tog:** together

**Yo:** yarn over (1 st increased)

**WS:** Wrong side



# INSTRUCTIONS

## CO alternative 1

CO 144 (168) 192 (216) 240 (264) sts using regular Long tail CO method on 4 mm (US 6) circular needles. Place a marker to indicate BOR. Join to work in the rnd.

**Rnd 1 – 2:** p to end.

## CO alternative 2

CO 144 (168) 192 (216) 240 (264) sts using Tubular CO method on 4 mm (US 6) circular needles. Place a marker to indicate BOR. Join to work in the rnd.

Work according to chart as follows:

**Rnd 1:** Work according to the chart to end. Chart is repeated 12 (14) 16 (18) 20 (22) times in one rnd.

Repeat rnd 1, 79 more times. Now you have worked 5 times the chart (80 rnds in total). *Notion: The length can be adjusted by adding lace panels to the hem. The length of one chart repeat is approximately. 5.5 cm /2.15".*

Now you will BO sts for underarm as follows:

**Rnd 1:** Work according to rnd 1 of chart with following 60 (72) 84 (96) 108 (120) sts, k1, BO next 10 sts, k1, work according to rnd 1 of chart with following 60 (72) 84 (96) 108 (120) sts, k1, BO next 10 sts, k1, RM BOR marker. *You now have 128 (152) 176 (200) 224 (248) sts. Note: The last st is your first st of the front.*

Place 62 (74) 86 (98) 110 (122) sts for back on holder or thread while you work the front. Cut the thread.

## Front

Work in the flat according to chart as follows:

Set up row (WS): K1, work according to row 2 of chart to last st, (chart is repeated 5 (6) 7 (8) 9 (10) times in one row), k1.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, work next row of chart to last st, (chart is repeated 5 (6) 7 (8) 9 (10) times in one row), k1.

**Row 2 (WS):** K1, work next row of chart to last st, (chart is repeated 5 (6) 7 (8) 9 (10) times in one row), k1.

Repeat rows 1 – 2, 20 (20) 20 (28) 28 (28) more times. Now you have worked 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) times the chart for front.

BO sts for neckline as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K 12 (12) 14 (14) 16 (20) sts, BO 38 (50) 58 (70) 78 (82) sts, k to end.

Cut the thread leaving a long tail of yarn that you need when grafting the shoulders together using Kitchener stitch (or preferred method). Place sts for left and right shoulders on holder or thread while you work the back.

# INSTRUCTIONS

## Back

Work the back following the same instructions as for the front.

## Armhole edges

Before you pick up sts for armhole edges, graft shoulders together using Kitchener stitch (or preferred method).

With RS facing you pick up and k sts using 4 mm (US 6) circular needles around the armhole, starting from the underarm.

It's not necessary to count the amount of stitches you pick up, just go with the flow and pick up sts approx. one stitch in every edge stitch.

Place a marker to indicate BOR. Join to work in the rnd.

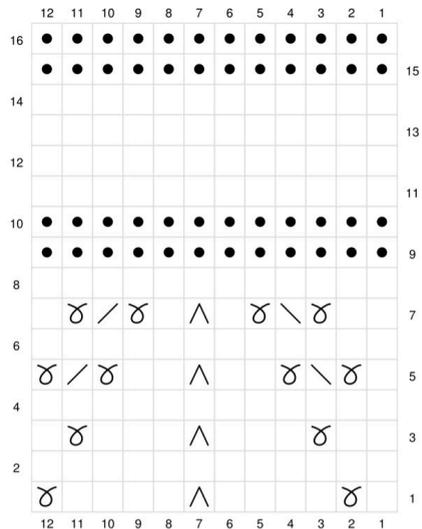
**Rnd 1 - 2:** p to end.

BO all sts loosely.

Repeat for the other armhole.

## Finishing

Weave in all ends. Wet block your top or steam it using the steam function on your iron.



□ RS: k  
WS: p

● RS: p  
WS: k

↘ ssk

↘ RS: m1  
WS: m1p

/ k2tog

∧ CDD



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