

Knitting for Olive



Summer lace dress

Sizes: 9 (12 - 18 months // 2, 3-4, 5-6 years)

Full length: approx. 40 (42 // 48, 54, 60) cm

Needles: 3 mm circular needles and double pointed needles

Gauge: approx. 28 sts x 38 rows = 10x10cm using 3 mm needles

Garn: Knitting for Olive's Pure Silk, Knitting for Olive's Cotton hint of Cashmere or Knitting for Olive's Merino.

The dress pictured above is knitted in Knitting for Olive's Pure Silk

Weight: approx. 500 m / 100 g

Yarn requirements: 100 (150 // 150, 200, 200) g // 400 (510 // 680, 870, 990) meters

The dress is knitted from the bottom up. The skirt is knitted in the round following a diagram.

The skirt is finished with a drawstring casing, on which the bodice of the dress is knitted back and forth in st st.

The dress is finished with two shoulder straps which join together on the back.

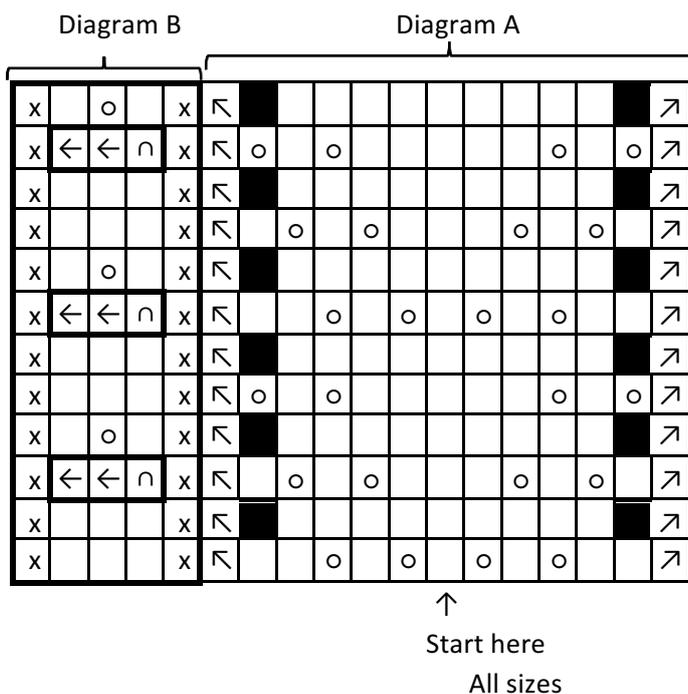
Skirt

Cast on 320 (352 // 384, 416, 448) sts using 3 mm needles

Knit 4 rounds as follows: p 1 round, k 1 round, p 1 round, k 1 round. From this point the skirt is knitted according to diagrams

Repeat the diagrams throughout the round

IMPORTANT! Diagram A and Diagram B should be knitted alternately side by side throughout the entire skirt as follows:



Knit Diagram A the same way throughout the entire skirt, alter Diagram B as follows:

See all diagrams on the last pages of this pattern

Knit **Diagram B - 1** a total of 4 (5 // 5, 6, 6) times

Knit **Diagram B - 2** one time
= 300 (330 // 360, 390, 420) sts

Knit **Diagram B - 3** a total of 3 (3 // 4, 4, 6) times

Knit **Diagram B - 4** one time
= 280 (308 // 336, 364, 392) sts

Knit **Diagram B - 5** a total of 3 (3 // 4, 5, 5) times

Knit **Diagram B - 6** one time
= 260 (286 // 312, 338, 364) sts

Knit **Diagram B - 7** a total of 2 (3 // 3, 4, 5) times

Knit **Diagram B - 8** one time
= 240 (264 // 288, 312, 336) sts

Knit **Diagram B - 9** a total of 3 (3 // 3, 4, 5) times

IMPORTANT! On the next round knit **the last p stitch** of Diagram B - 9 together with the **k2tog** in the beginning of Diagram A, so that you k3tog instead of k2tog **on this one entire round**
= 220 (242 // 264, 286, 308) sts

Continue knitting the skirt by only knitting Diagram A a total of one time, but **IMPORTANT:** only knit through round 11 in Diagram A

If you want a longer skirt continue knitting according to Diagram A, but **IMPORTANT:** the last round must be the 5th or the 11th round of Diagram A

The top edge of the skirt is wavy due to the lace pattern of the skirt. To make the edge of the skirt even short rows are knitted. This pattern uses the "Wrap and Turn" (wt) and "yarn over" technique, but you can use any short row technique you'd like

Knit the next round as follows:

*k5, sl1k, k1, pss0, k2tog, wt,
p5, turn and begin the next row with a yo on right hand needle,
k1, sl1k, k1, pss0, k2tog, k3 * repeat from * to * throughout the round

= 180 (198 // 216, 234, 252) sts

Next round is the last round of the skirt

k1, sl1 k, k1 tbl together with the wrap around the stitch, pss0, k4, k2tog
Repeat from * to * throughout the round

= 140 (154 // 168, 182, 196) sts

Drawstring casing

Now knit a drawstring casing for the drawstring all the way around the upper edge of the skirt

Knit the drawstring casing in st st

Start at the beginning of the round = center back

K 2 rounds

Now make eyelets for the drawstring in the drawstring casing, on the back of the dress as follows:

k3, yo, sl1 k, k1, pss0, k until 5 sts remain, k2tog, yo, k throughout the round

K for another 8 rounds

Cast off all sts

Break yarn approx. 1 meter from the drawstring casing

Fold the drawstring casing in the middle and sew it on the wrong side along the upper edge of the skirt

Knit the bodice and the shoulder straps

Begin by marking the center of the front piece of the dress, pm

Pick up 58 (64 // 70, 76, 82) sts along the upper edge of the drawstring casing in the center of the front piece, this means 29 (32 // 35, 38, 41) sts on each side of the marker

The bodice is knitted back and forth in st st with garter ridge edges as follows:

Right side rows: sl1 p, k throughout the rest of the row

Wrong side rows: sl1 p, k3, p until 4 sts remain, k4

Knit the first row from the wrong side of the piece

Continue straight up AT THE SAME TIME dec one sts in each side on every 4th row, the first dec being on the 4th row. Dec as follows:

sl1 p, k3, k2tog, k until 6 sts remain, sl1 k, k1, psso, k4

Dec as described for a total of 7 (8 // 9, 10, 11) times AT THE SAME TIME:

On the wrong side row after the 6th (7th // 8th, 9th, 10th) dec row, knit the neckline as follows:

sl1 p, k3, p7 (8 // 8, 9, 10), k24 (26 // 30, 32, 34), p7 (8 // 8, 9, 10), k4

Next row is a right side row: sl1 p, k throughout

Next row: sl1 p, k3, p6 (7 // 7, 8, 9), k26 (28 // 32, 34, 36), p6 (7 // 7, 8, 9), k4

Next row (right side row): this is the final dec row, AT THE SAME TIME on this row cast off the center 16 (18 // 22, 24, 26) sts

Finish each side separately

On the next (wrong side) row sl1 p, k3, p5 (6 // 6, 7, 8), k5

On the next row (right side row) cast off another 1 st in the neck side

From this point knit straight up

Important! Now also knit 4 edge sts in the neck side

= 13 (14 // 14, 15, 16) shoulder strap sts

Continue straight up until the piece measures 2 (3 // 4, 4, 5) cm from the neck edge = center of shoulder

From this point make the shoulder strap slant to one side to make the two shoulder straps meet on the center of the back piece as follows:

Left shoulder strap (when looking at the front of the dress):

1st row: sl1 p, k3, m1 (k the loop between two sts tbl), k until 6 sts remain, sl1 k, k1, psso, k4

2nd row: sl1 p, k3, p5 (6 // 6, 7, 8), k4

3rd row: sl1 p, k throughout

4th row: sl1 p, k3, p5 (6 // 6, 7, 8), k4

Knit these 4 rows for a total of 10 (11 // 13, 14, 16) times

Cast off

Knit the right shoulder the same way, but reversing shaping as follows:

Right shoulder strap:

1st row: sl1 p, k3, k2tog, k until 4 remain, m1 (k the loop between two sts tbl), k4

2nd row: sl1 p, k3, p5 (6 // 6, 7, 8), k4

3rd row: sl1p, knit to end of row

4th row: sl1 p, k3, p5 (6 // 6, 7, 8), k4

Knit these 4 rows for a total of 10 (11 // 13, 14, 16) times

Cast off

Sew the shoulder shoulder straps on the top of the drawstring casing so that the edges of the shoulder straps meet center back

Drawstring - lcord

Cast on 4 ts using 3 mm double pointed needles

K 4 ret

Slide the stitches to the other end of the needle. Knit a second row by bringing the yarn behind the work and starting with the first stitch.

K4

Once again slide the stitches to the other end of the needle, bring the yarn behind the piece and start with the first stitch, k4

Continue as described until the string measures approx. 75 (80 // 90, 100, 115) cm, or the desired length

NB! You will need approx. 35 cm to tie the bow. Pull the drawstring through the drawstring casing and weave in the ends

You can sew the cord on the inside of the drawstring casing at the center, to prevent it from falling out of the dress.

We hope you enjoy knitting the Summer Lace Dress!

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Diagrams

Diagram A

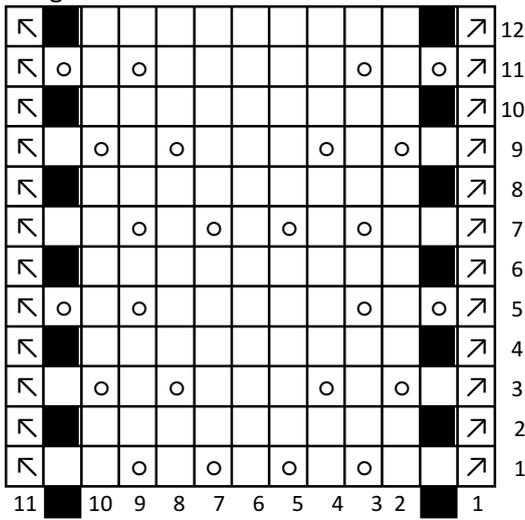


Diagram B - 1

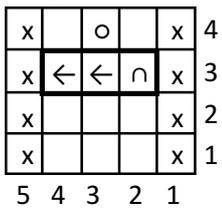


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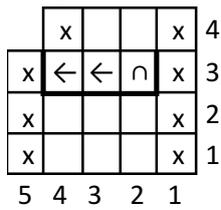


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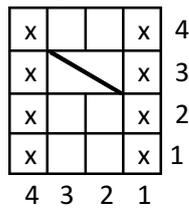


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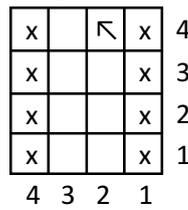


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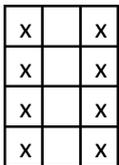


Diagram B - 6



Diagram B - 7

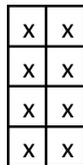


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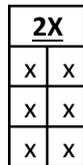
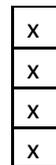


Diagram B - 9



Symbols, explanations and abbreviations

St/sts – stitch/stitches

St st - stocking stitch - in circular knitting knit all, knitting back and forth flat, 1 row knit, 1 row purl

k – knit

p – purl

yo - yarn over

dec – decrease

inc - increase

K2tog – knit 2 stitches together

Tbl – through back loop

Sl1 k – slip 1 stitch knitwise

Sli1 p – slip 1 stitch purlwise

Pssso – pass slipped stitch over

M1 – make 1 new stitch

Pm – place marker

 K

 P

 yo

 sl1 k, k1, pssso

 k2tog

 sl1 k, k2, pssso both sts

 no stitch

 twist: slip 1 stitch on spare needle in front of work, k1, k the spare needle stitch

 p2tog

 k3tog

Wrap and Turn

On the right side:

Knit all stitches to the stitch you are going to wrap and turn, keeping your yarn in the back of the work, slip next stitch onto right needle as if to purl it. Bring the yarn to the front between the stitches on right and left needle, slip the slipped stitch back on left needle, and bring the yarn to the back again. You now have a wrapped stitch. Turn work to purl back.

On the wrong side:

Purl all stitches to the stitch you are going to wrap and turn, keep your yarn in the front of the work, slip next stitch onto right needle, as if to knit it. Bring the yarn to the back between the stitches on right and left needle, slip the slipped stitch back on left needle, and bring the yarn to the front again. You now have a wrapped stitch. Turn work to knit back.

Knitting a wrapped stitch:

On the right side: Knit to the wrapped stitch, insert the right needle tip into the wrap from top to bottom, and then into the stitch on the needle, and knit these stitches.

On the wrong side: Purl to the wrapped stitch, insert the right needle tip into the wrap from bottom to top, and then into the stitch on the needle, and purl these stitches through front loop.