

Turtle Dove pullover

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#TurtleDovePullover



The Turtle Dove Pullover is a seamless, top-down knit designed to pair perfectly with the original Turtle Dove Shawl. Inspired by the same cozy textures and thoughtful details, this pullover combines cables, bobbles, and moss stitch for a classic and engaging knit.

The pullover is worked from the neckline down, with cable and bobble panels on the front, back, and sleeves, and moss stitch textures along the sides. The cable pattern continues over the raglan increases and is fully charted. The body and sleeves are separated at the underarm and finished individually, and the neckband is picked up and knitted in the round for a neat finish. You can fold the neck double or leave it unfolded for a funnel neck.

Originally, the Turtle Dove Shawl was a mystery knit-along inspired by Home Alone 2—a story of friendship and connection that continues with this pullover design.

Pattern details:

- Construction: Seamless, top-down
- Features: Cable and bobble panels, moss stitch texture
- Cable patterns are charted only (no written instructions)
- Matching pattern: Turtle Dove Shawl

A satisfying project for knitters who enjoy texture, detail, and timeless design.

Sizes

- 1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9)
- Finished bust circumference: 92 (100, 110, 120, 130) (140, 145, 155, 165) cm / 33.5 (37.25, 41.5, 45.25, 49.25) (53.25, 57, 61, 65) inches including the intended ease of 15 cm / 6 inches for sizes 1-6 and 10 cm / 4 inches for sizes 7-9. Choose a size that is closest to your actual bust circumference + the intended ease.
- Length from hem to underarm (adjustable): 30 (30, 30, 30, 32) (32, 32, 34, 34) cm / 11.75 (11.75, 11.75, 11.75, 12.5) (12.5, 12.5, 13.5, 13.5) inches
- Raglan length: 20 (21, 22, 23, 24) (26, 28, 29, 30) cm / 7.75 (8.25, 8.75, 9, 9.5) (10.25, 11, 11.5, 11.75) inches
- Sleeve length from cuff to underarm (adjustable): 44 (44, 44, 44, 44) (46, 46, 46, 46) cm / 17.25 (17.25, 17.25, 17.25, 17.25) (18.25, 18.25, 18.25, 18.25) inches
- Upper arm circumference: 27.5 (31, 33, 35, 40) (44, 47, 51, 54) cm / 10.75 (12.25, 12.75, 14, 15.75) (17.25, 18.75, 20, 21) inches
- Note: Please be aware that adjusting the length of the garment will also affect the amount of yarn needed to finish the project.

Yarn

- Note: If you wish to work the pullover with DK weight yarn, you will only need the given yarn amount for the fingering weight yarn.
- 900 (990, 1090, 1200, 1320) (1450, 1600, 1760, 1930) m / 990 (1090, 1200, 1320, 1450) (1590, 1750, 1930, 2120) yards of fingering weight yarn and 900 (990, 1090, 1200, 1320) (1450, 1600, 1760, 1930) m / 990 (1090, 1200, 1320, 1450) (1590, 1750, 1930, 2120) yards of lace weight yarn (mohair).
- Sample: 4 (5, 5, 5, 6) (7, 7, 8, 9) balls of Gepard Garn Wild & Soft (60 % merino wool, 40% tussah silk; 240 m / 262 yards per 50 g), shown in colorway 144 and 5 (5, 6, 6, 7) (7, 8, 9, 10) balls Gepard Kid Seta (70 % kid mohair, 30% silk; 210 m / 230 yards per 25 g), shown in colorway 816.

Needles

For the ribbing:

- 3 mm / US2.5 DPNs or a circular needle with a cable suitable for small circumference knitting for cuffs
- 3 mm / US2.5 circular needle with a cable length of 40 cm / 16 inches for the neckline
- 3 mm / US2.5 circular needle with a cable length of 80 cm / 32 inches for smaller sizes and 100 cm / 40 inches for larger sizes for the hem

For the main part:

- 3.5 mm / US4 DPNs or a circular needle with a cable suitable for small circumference knitting for sleeves
- 3.5 mm / US4 circular needle with a cable length of 80 cm / 32 inches for smaller sizes and 100 cm / 40 inches for larger sizes for the body

Gauge

22 sts and 26 rounds = 10 cm / 4 inches of Moss stitch and cable pattern according to the Main chart on larger needles, after blocking. Note: Always use the needle size that gives you the right gauge!

Notions

- 16 stitch markers, of which 8 will mark the raglans and 8 will separate the moss stitch and the cable pattern. If possible, use different colors.
- waste yarn
- tapestry needle
- blocking tools

Abbreviations

BOR	Beginning of the round
DPNs	Double pointed needles
inc'd	Increased
k	Knit
kfb	Knit the next stitch first through its front loop, then through its back loop
k2tog	Knit 2 sts together
m	Marker
m1L	Make 1 knit stitch (left leaning)
m1Lp	Make 1 purl stitch (left leaning)
m1R	Make 1 knit stitch (right leaning)
m1Rp	Make 1 purl stitch (right leaning)
mB	Make a bobble: K the next st, do not remove the stitch from the needle, yo, k in the same st, slip the st off left needle. 1 st becomes 3 sts. Turn work, p3. Turn work, k3. Turn work, p3. Turn work, sl2, k1, pass the slipped sts over and off the right needle. 1 st remains. Note: if you don't want to make bobbles, work this stitch as p1 instead.
p	Purl
p2tog	Purl 2 sts together
pm	Place marker
rm	Right side
RS	Slip 1 st
sm	Slip marker
ssk	(Slip knitwise) x 2, knit the slipped stitches together through the back loop
ssp	(Slip knitwise) x 2, purl the slipped stitches together through the back loop
st(s)	Stitch(es)
tbl	Through the back loop
WS	Wrong side
yo	Yarn over

Stitch patterns

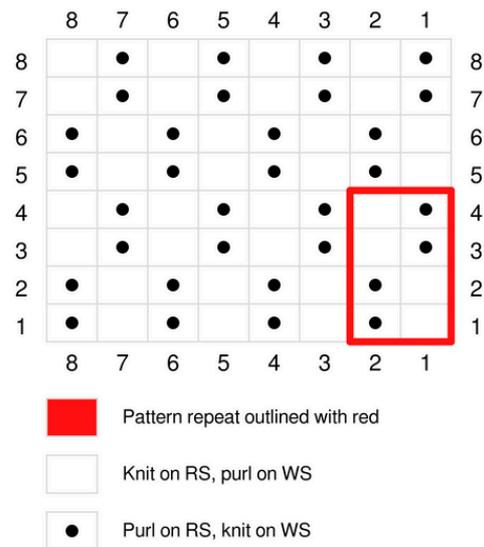
Note: The sides and the sleeves are worked in moss stitch (i.e. alternating between k1 and p1, with always two knit stitches and two purl stitches stacked over one another), do not mistake it for seed stitch or double moss stitch.

Moss stitch knitted in the round:

Round 1: If the next stitch on the left needle is a knit stitch, then purl it. If it's a purl stitch, then knit it.

Round 2: If the next stitch on the left needle is a knit stitch, then knit it. If it's a purl stitch, then purl it.

Here's an example of moss stitch for you to visualize it more easily:



Instructions

BACK

Note: When working the charts on the WS rows, remember to read them from left to right and check the changed abbreviations for the stitches when working on the WS.

Cast on 83 sts on the larger needles using the Long Tail Cast On method. Do not join in the round.

Row 1 (WS): Work Row 1 of the Right Front Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Raglan Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Sleeve Increase Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Raglan Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Main Increase Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Raglan Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Sleeve Increase Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Raglan Chart, pm, work Row 1 of the Left Front Chart.

Row 2 (RS): Work Row 2 of the Left Front Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Main Increase Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Row 2 of the Right Front Chart. 10 sts inc'd, 93 sts on the needles, 3 sts

on each front, 5 sts on each raglan, 13 sts on each sleeve, 41 sts on the back.

Row 3 (WS): Work next row of the Right Front Chart, sm, work next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm, work next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Left Front Chart.

Row 4 (RS): Work next row of the Left Front Chart, sm, work next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, next row of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm, work next row of Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work next row of Raglan Chart, sm, work next row of the Right Front Chart. 10 sts inc'd, 103 sts on the needles, 5 sts on each front, 5 sts on each raglan, 15 sts on each sleeve, 43 sts on the back.

Then continue as established and work Rows 5-22 of the charts (for Raglan Charts keep repeating the 4-row pattern). At the end of Row 22 there are 193

sts on needles, 23 sts on each front, 5 sts on each raglan, 33 sts on each sleeve, and 61 sts for the back.

At the end of Row 22, cast on 15 sts using the Back Loop Cast On method or the Cabled Cast On method. Break the yarn and slip the 23 left front stitches from the left needle to the right needle as if to purl. Rejoin the yarn at the left front raglan. This is your new beginning of the round. Join for working in the round, making sure the ring of stitches has not twisted. 208 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 33 sts on each sleeve, and 61 sts for the front and the back.

Note: The neck opening might feel a bit large at the moment but this will be fixed once you work the neckband.

Round 23: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Round 23 of the Sleeve Increase Chart, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work Round 23 of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once working the Main Increase Chart now on both the front and the back.

Work as established until you have reached the end of Round 37 of the charts. Next you will change to working from the Sleeve Chart and start increasing stitches for moss stitch on each side of the Sleeve Chart. The moss stitch will be worked on each side of the sleeve between the Sleeve Chart and the Raglan Charts.

Round 38: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, pm, work Round 1 of the Sleeve Chart, pm, m1L, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once. 8 sts inc'd, 272 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 49 sts on each sleeve, and 77 sts for the front and the back.

Round 39: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, k1, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, k1, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once.

Round 40: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, p1, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart,

sm, p1, m1L, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once. 8 sts inc'd, 280 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 51 sts on each sleeve, and 79 sts for the front and the back.

Round 41: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, k1, p1, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, p1, k1, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once.

Round 42: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, work in Moss stitch until next m starting with p1, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until next m starting with k1, m1L, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once. 8 sts inc'd, 288 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 53 sts on each sleeve, and 81 sts for the front and the back.

Round 43: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work next round of the Main Increase Chart as established, sm; repeat from * once.

From now on keep repeating the 40-round Sleeve Chart pattern on the sleeves and the moss stitch increases on either side of the Sleeve Chart as indicated in Round 42. Take also the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern.

Change to working from Main Chart on the front and the back, and start increasing for moss stitch on each side of the Main Chart:

Note: You will start the Main Chart on the front and the back on Round 7 of the chart so that you will always work the same round number on the Sleeve Chart and the Main Chart, this will make it easier to keep track of the charts!

Round 44: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work Round 7 of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until next m, m1L, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, pm, work Round 7 of the Main Chart, pm, m1L, sm; repeat from * once. 8 sts inc'd, 296 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 55 sts on each sleeve, and 83 sts for the front and the back.

Round 45: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work Round 8 of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, k1, sm, work Round 8 of the Main Chart as established, sm, p1, sm; repeat from * once.

Round 46: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until next m, m1L, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, m1R, p1, sm, work next round of the Main Chart as established, sm, p1, m1L sm; repeat from * once. 8 sts inc'd, 304 sts on needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 57 sts on each sleeve, and 85 sts for the front and the back.

Round 47: *Work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch as established until next m incorporating the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern, sm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, sm, k1, p1, sm, work next round of the Main Chart as established, sm, p1, k1, sm; repeat from * once.

From now on keep repeating the 40-round Main Chart pattern on the front, back and the 40-round Sleeve Chart pattern on the sleeves and work the stitches on each side of the charts in Moss stitch as established. Take also the increased stitches into the Moss stitch pattern.

Size 1 only: Repeat the increases on each sleeve, the front and the back on every other round one more

time and then on every 4th round one more time.

Sizes 2-9 only:

Repeat the increases on each sleeve on every other round another - (0, 0, 1, 4) (7, 13, 14, 15) times and then on every 4th round another - (2, 3, 3, 2) (2, 0, 0, 0) times. At the same time repeat the increases on the front and the back on every other round another - (4, 3, 1, 1) (2, 3, 3, 1) times and then on every round another - (0, 6, 12, 14) (18, 20, 24, 30) times.

At the end of this section you should have 320 (328, 352, 372, 388) (420, 448, 476, 496) sts on your needles, 5 sts on each raglan, 61 (61, 63, 65, 69) (75, 83, 89, 91) sts on each sleeve, and 89 (93, 103, 111, 115) (125, 131, 139, 147) sts on both the front and the back.

SEPARATE BODY AND SLEEVES

Note: This is a good place to put the sts on a piece of waste yarn and try the yoke on to see how it fits. If you need to add extra length, you can knit a few more rounds in established patterns before separating the body and the sleeves.

Make a note about which round of the Sleeve Chart you ended with, as you will need this information later on.

Next Round: Work the next round of the Raglan Chart, rm, then take the next 61 (61, 63, 65, 69) (75, 83, 89, 91) sts on hold on a piece of waste yarn for the left sleeve. Cast on 1 (3, 4, 5, 8) (9, 9, 10, 12) sts for the underarm using the Back Loop Cast On method, pm for BOR, then cast on another 2 (4, 5, 6, 9) (10, 10, 11, 13) sts for the underarm. *Rm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, rm, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work next round of the Main Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until next m.** Rm, work next round of the Raglan Chart, rm. Take the next 61 (61, 63, 65, 69) (75, 83, 89, 91) sts on hold on a piece of waste yarn for the right sleeve. Cast on 1 (3, 4, 5, 8) (9, 9, 10, 12) sts for the underarm, pm for side, then cast on another 2 (4, 5, 6, 9) (10, 10, 11, 13) sts for the underarm. Repeat from * until ** one more time. 204 (220, 244, 264, 284) (308, 320, 340, 364) sts on needles.

Take the underarm sts except 3 sts in the middle of the underarm (1 st before the markers placed at underarm, and two sts after it) as well as the stitches that were previously worked as the Raglan Charts into the moss stitch pattern. The 3 sts at the underarm will from now on be worked as p1 before the marker and k1 tbl, p1 after the marker as instructed below:

Next Round: K1 tbl, p1, work in moss stitch until the next marker taking the stitches into the pattern as explained above, sm, then work next round of the Main Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until 1 st remains before the next m, p1, sm. K1 tbl, p1, work in moss stitch until the next m, sm, then work the same round of the Main Chart as you did for the back, sm, work in Moss stitch until 1 st remains before the next m, p1, sm.

BODY

Next Round: *K1 tbl, p1, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work next round of the Main Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until 1 st remains before the next m, p1, sm; repeat from * once.

Continue as established until the piece measures 26 (26, 26, 28) (28, 28, 30, 30) cm / 10.25 (10.25, 10.25, 10.25, 11) (11, 11, 11.75, 11.75) inches from the underarm, or 4 cm / 1.5 inches less than the desired length. I recommend trying the pullover on every now and then and working the body length according to your own body measurements.

HEM

Change to smaller needles.

Ribbing Round: *K1 tbl, p1; repeat from * until end.

Continue as established until the hem measures 4 cm / 1.5 inches.

Bind off all sts using the Sewn Tubular Bind Off, or other stretchy bind off method of your choice.

SLEEVES

Take the stitches held for the left sleeve back on your larger needles. Starting at the middle of the underarm cast on edge, pick up and knit 1 st from the k1 tbl stitch at the middle, then 1 st from the purl stitch next to it, then pick up and knit another 0 (2, 3, 4, 7) (8, 8, 9, 11) sts along the underarm cast on edge and 1 stitch from the gap between the underarm and the sleeve sts. Work the sleeve sts in Moss stitch as established until next m, sm,

work the next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until underarm. Then pick up and knit 1 more stitch in the gap between the underarm cast on edge and the sleeve, 0 (2, 3, 4, 7) (8, 8, 9, 11) sts along the cast on edge and 1 st from the purl stitch at the middle of the underarm. Pm for BOR and join for working in the round. 66 (70, 74, 78, 88) (96, 104, 112, 118) sts on needles.

Next Round: K1 tbl, p1, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work the next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until 1 st remains before the end of the round, p1, sm.

Continue as established for another 15 (10, 10, 9, 5) (5, 4, 3, 3) rounds. Then start decreasing on each side of the Moss stitch section:

Decrease Round: K1 tbl, ssp, work in Moss stitch until next m, sm, work the next round of the Sleeve Chart, sm, work in Moss stitch until 2 sts remain before the end of the round, p2tog, sm. 2 sts decreased, 64 (68, 72, 76, 86) (94, 102, 110, 116) sts on needles.

Repeat the Decrease Round on every 17th (13th, 13th, 10th, 7th) (7th, 5th, 4th, 4th) round another 4 (6, 6, 8, 11) (15, 19, 21, 24) times. 56 (56, 60, 60, 64) (64, 64, 68, 68) sts on needles.

Work as established without any further decreases until the sleeve measures 38 (38, 38, 38, 38) (40, 40, 40, 40) cm / 15 (15, 15, 15, 15) (15.75, 15.75, 15.75, 15.75) inches from the underarm or 6 cm / 2.5 inches less than the desired length. I recommend trying the pullover on every now and then and working the sleeves according to your own body measurements.

CUFFS

Change to smaller needles.

Ribbing Round: *K1 tbl, p1; repeat from * until end.

Continue as established until the cuff measures 6 cm / 2.5 inches or desired length.

Bind off all sts using the Sewn Tubular Bind Off, or other bind off method of your choice.

Work the right sleeve accordingly.

NECKBAND

Using the smaller needles and starting at the right back raglan, pick up and knit 3 sts along the raglan, 39 sts along the back neck, 3 sts along the left back raglan, then 11 stitches along the top of the left sleeve. Pick up and knit 3 sts along the left front raglan, then another 39 sts along the front neck, 3 sts along the right front raglan and 11 stitches along the top of the right sleeve. Pm for BOR and continue working in the round. 112 sts on needles.

Ribbing Round: *K1 tbl, p1; repeat from * until end.

Continue as established until the neckband measures 10 cm / 4 inches or desired length of the neckband. Bind off all sts loosely in pattern. If you want to leave the neck unfolded and do a funnel neck instead, I recommend using the Sewn Bind Tubular Bind Off method.

Folded neck version only: fold the neckband double and sew on the inside of the work using the whip stitch.

FINISHING

Weave in all remaining yarn ends. Wet block to measurements.

ABBREVIATIONS FOR CABLES

1/1 LTP: 1 over 1 left cable purl: slip 1 st to cable needle at front, p1, then k1 tbl from cable needle.

1/1 RTP: 1 over 1 right cable purl: slip 1 st to cable needle at back, k1 tbl, then p1 from cable needle.

2/1 RC : 2 over 1 right cable: slip 1 st to cable needle at back, k2, then k1 from cable needle.

2/2 LC: 2 over 2 left cable: slip 2 sts to cable needle at front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

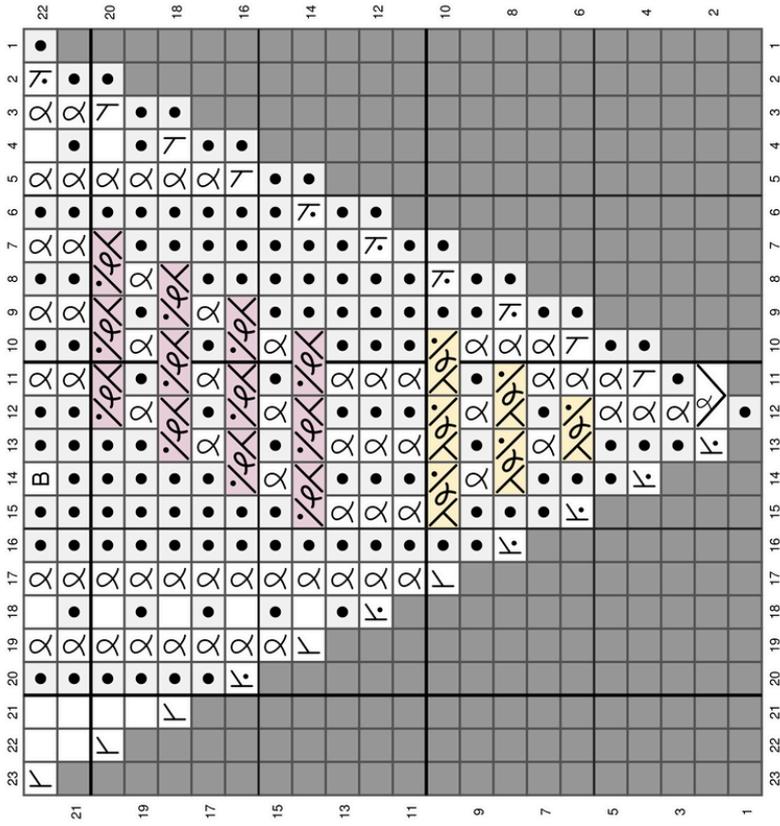
2/2 RC : 2 over 2 right cable: slip 2 sts to cable needle at back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

4/4 LC: 4 over 4 left cable: slip 4 sts to cable needle at front, k4, then k4 from cable needle.

4/4 RC : 4 over 4 right cable: slip 4 sts to cable needle at back, k4, then k4 from cable needle.

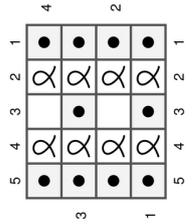


Left front chart



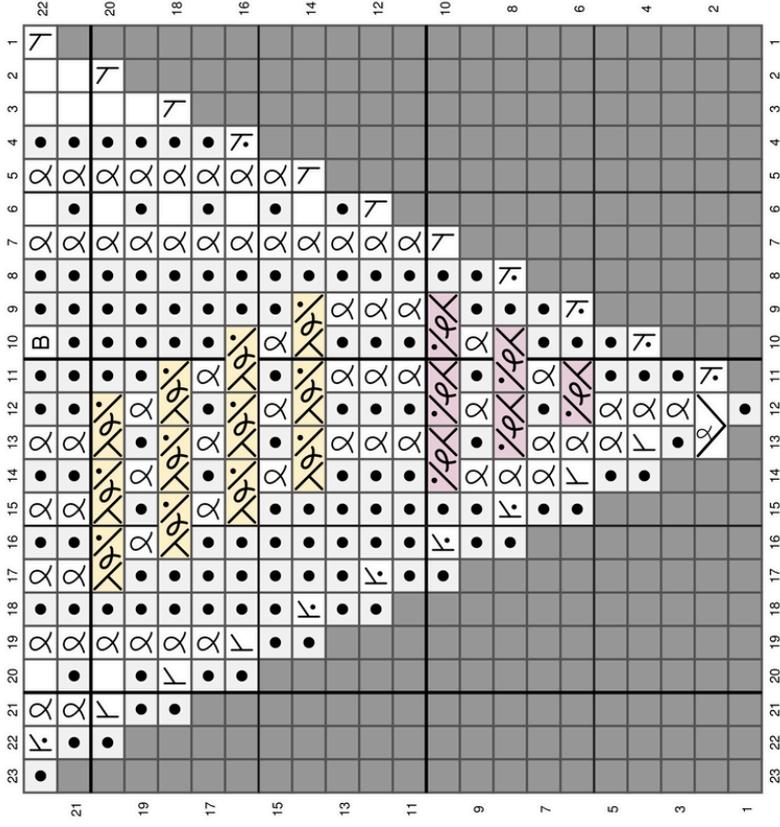
- RS: Knit
WS: Purl
- RS: Purl
WS: Knit
- No stitch
- RS: Knit through the back loop
WS: Purl through the back loop
- m1R
- m1L

Raglan chart



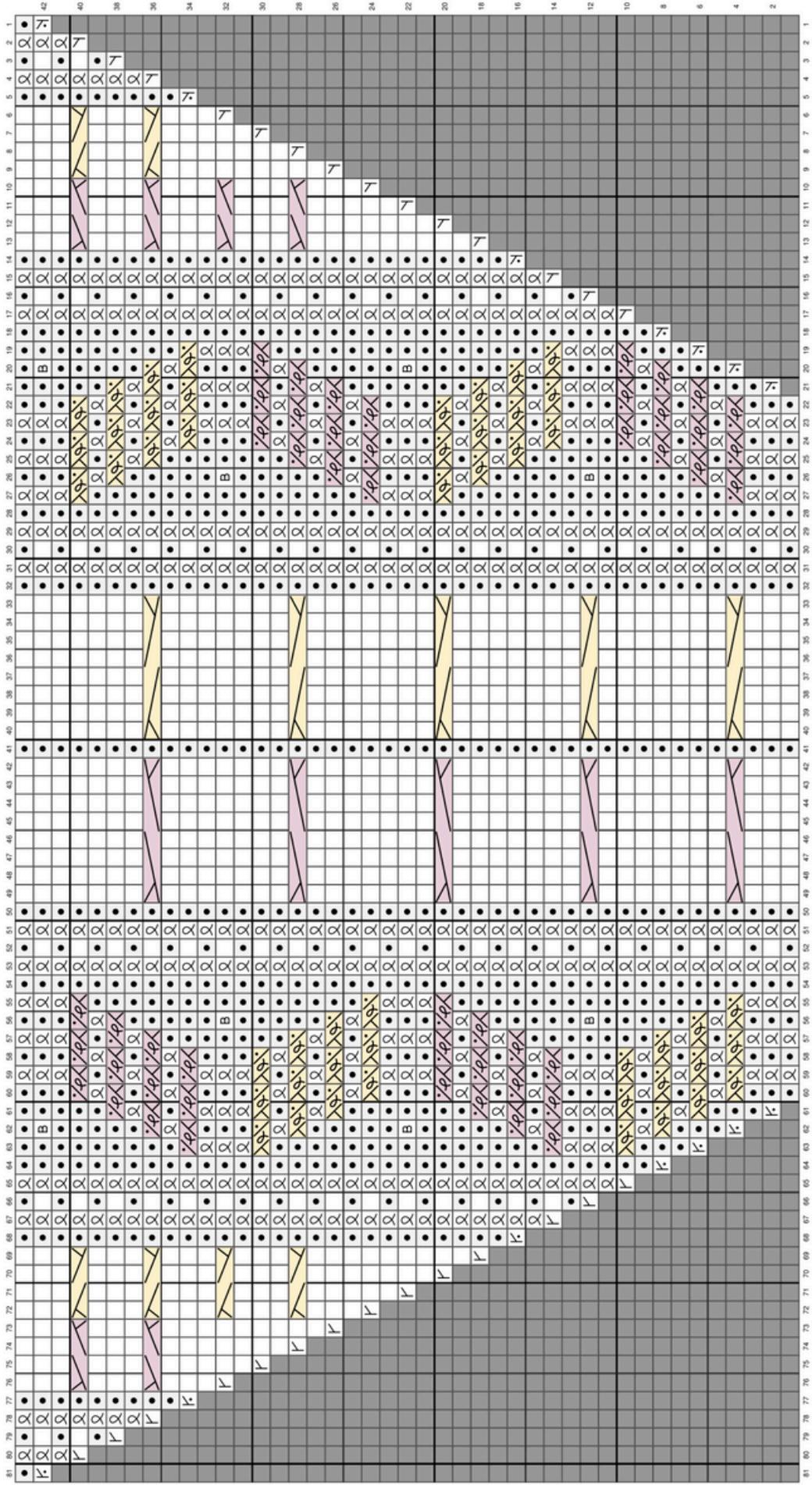
- 1/1 RTP
- 2/2 LC
- 2/2 RC
- 4/4 LC
- 4/4 RC

Right front chart



- m1Rp
- m1Lp
- make a bobble (instructions in abbreviations)
- K1b
- 1/1 LTP

Main increase chart





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