

Terra



10 Sizes

knitting pattern





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About

The Terra Texture Top is an all-over textured top that comes in two versions! Version 1 has garter stitch with center lace panels, whilst version 2 has stockinette with center ridge texture panels.

The Terra is worked top-down and started from the front. Each armhole is shaped with increases. Stitches are then cast on for the back and worked in the same manner.

The front and back are joined together and worked in the round to a cropped length. An i-cord is applied to each cast-on edge. Version 1 of the top features long I-cord ties that are adjustable and to be tied through the loops on the back. Version 2 of the top features a small back opening with a tie. Both versions have a higher front than back.

Skill

2/5. Increasing, decreasing. Basic lace chart. I-cords.

Gauge

19 sts x 28 rows = 10 cm | 4 inch.

Using 4 mm | US 6 needles, measured in lace front.

Needles

4 mm | US 6 needles.



Measurements

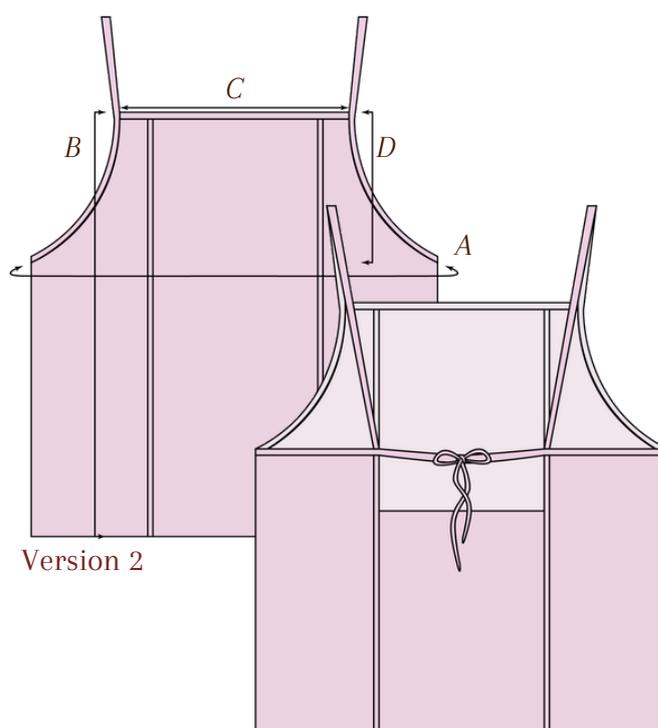
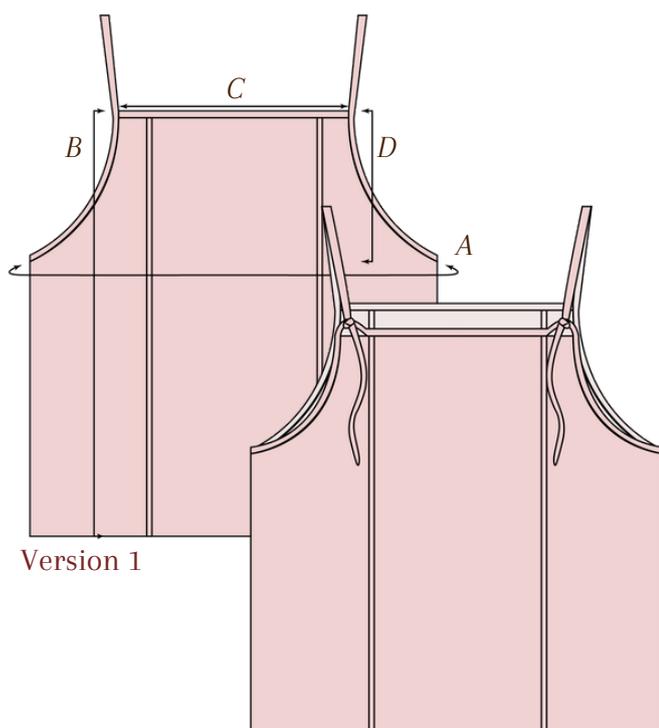
Size	Recommended chest circumference	A Finished chest circumference	B Length	C Front width	D Armhole depth
XXS	67-75.5 26.5-29.75	73 29	35 13.75	18 7	13 5
XS	78-86.5 30.75-34	84 33	36 14.25	19 7.5	13 5
S	87.5-96 34.5-37.75	93.5 36.75	37 14.5	20.5 8	13.5 5.25
M	98-106.5 38.5-42	104 41	38 15	21.5 8.5	15 6
L	107.5-116 42.25-45.75	113.5 44.75	39 15.25	22 8.75	16 6.25
XL	118-126.5 46.5-49.75	124 48.75	40 15.75	23 9	16.5 6.5
2XL	126.5-135 49.75-53.25	132.5 52.25	41 16.25	24 9.5	17.5 7
3XL	137-145.5 54-57.25	143 56.25	42 16.5	25.5 10	18 7
4XL	146.5-155 57.75-61	152.5 60	43 17	27 10.75	19.5 7.75
5XL	157-165.5 61.75-65.25	163 64.25	44 17.25	28 11	20.5 8

cm | inch

Sizing

(XXS, XS) S, M, L (XL, 2XL, 3XL) 4XL, 5XL

Choose a size that will give you a positive ease of 0-6 cm | 0-2.25 inch up to a negative ease of 2.5 cm | 1 inch.



Yarn Requirements

1 strand dk or worsted weight yarn.

Version 1 | Concept by Katia Cotton in Love c. 55 (115 m | 126 yds, 50g)

Version 2 | Drops Cotton Merino c. 32 (110 m | 120 yds, 50g)

Meterage

(350, 410) 465, 530, 590 (660, 720, 790) 860, 925 m |

(380, 450) 510, 580, 645 (720, 785, 865) 940, 1010 yds of dk weight yarn.

Grams

(150, 180) 200, 230, 255 (285, 315, 345) 375, 405 g of dk weight yarn.

Notions

Tapestry needle, 12 removable stitch markers, scrap yarn.

Abbreviations

approx. | approximately

bef | before

BO | bind off

BOR | beginning of round

CO | cast on

inc'd | increased

k | knit

kfb | knit into the front and back loop of the same stitch = 1 st inc'd.

LH | left hand

m | marker

p | purl

pm | place m

rep | repeat

RH | right hand

RS | right side

sl wyib | slip a stitch as if to purl with yarn in back

sl wyif | slip a stitch as if to purl with yarn in front

sm | slip marker

st(s) | stitch(es)

WS | wrong side

wyib | with yarn in back

wyif | with yarn in front

yo | yarn over

Charts

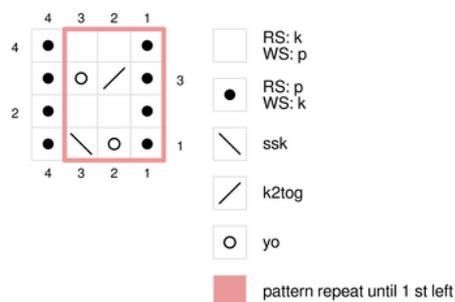
Chart A is worked flat whilst working the back & front section of the pattern.

In these sections chart A is read from right to left on RS rows and left to right on WS rows.

In the body section of the pattern the top is joined in the round. Read chart A from right to left on every round.

The last stitch (column 4) is an edge stitch to make the pattern symmetrical.

Chart A



Let's Create

Front

Using 4 mm | US 6 needles CO (34, 36) 39, 41, 42 (44, 46, 48) 51, 53 sts using the longtail CO method.

Set-up (WS): p3, pm, *k (1, 2) 2, 3, 2 (3, 4, 5) 5, 6 sts*, pm, sl2 wyif, pm, [k1, p2] (7, 7) 8, 8, 9 (9, 9, 9) 10, 10 times, k1, pm, sl2 wyif, pm, rep from *-*, pm, sl3 wyif.

Next, we are going to work a lace motif in the center of the top with garter stitch on each side.

The first and last 3 sts are l-cord sts and worked simultaneously with the rest of the top.

Work as follows

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyib.

Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-2 above a total of (4, 3) 3, 3, 3 (2, 2, 2) 2, 2 times.

Now we will shape the armholes of the top with increases. *Follow the correct section for your size!*

Armhole shaping section 1 | Sizes XXS, XS, S and L only

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, *k (0, 1) 1, -, 1 (-, -, -) -, - sts*, kfb, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, kfb, rep from *-*, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.

Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Row 3: k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.

Row 4: p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-4 once. Then, repeat rows 3-4 a total of (9, 7) 6, -, 6 (-, -, -) -, - times.

There are (56, 54) 55, -, 58 (-, -, -) -, - sts on the needles.

Armhole shaping section 1 | Sizes M, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL & 5XL only

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.

Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-2 above a total (-, -) -, 8, - (7, 7, 6) 6, 6 times.

There are (-, -) -, 57, - (58, 60, 60) 63, 65 sts on the needles.

Armhole shaping section 2 | All sizes

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.

Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyif = 2 sts inc'd.

Work rows 1-2 above a total of (3, 6) 7, 9, 11 (13, 15, 17) 18, 20 times.

Sizes S, M, XL, 4XL and 5XL only: work row 1 once more. Then, work row 2 without increases.

There are (68, 78) 85, 95, 102 (112, 120, 128) 137, 147 sts on the needles.

Break yarn and place front sts on hold using scrap yarn. **Note** down the final row finished of chart A.

The front measures approx. (13, 13) 13.5, 15, 16 (16.5, 17.5, 18) 19.5, 20.5 cm | (5, 5) 5.25, 6, 6.25 (6.5, 7, 7) 7.75, 8 inch measured in the center lace from the CO edge.

Back

Using 4 mm | US 6 needles CO (40, 42) 45, 47, 48 (50, 52, 54) 57, 59 sts using the longtail CO method.

Set-up row (WS): p3, pm, *k (4, 5) 5, 6, 5 (6, 7, 8) 8, 9 sts*, pm, sl2 wyif, pm, [k1, p2] (7, 7) 8, 8, 9 (9, 9, 9) 10, 10 times, k1, pm, sl2 wyif, pm, rep from *-*, pm, sl3 wyif.

Next, we are going to work a lace motif in the center of the top with garter stitch on each side.

The first and last 3 sts are l-cord sts and worked simultaneously with the rest of the top.

Work as follows

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyib.

Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-2 above a total of (4, 3) 3, 3, 3 (2, 2, 2) 2, 2 times.

Now we will shape the armholes of the top with increases. *Follow the correct section for your size!*

Sizes 3XL, 4XL and 5XL only: continue to *armhole shaping section 2*.

Armhole shaping section 1 | Sizes XXS, XS, S and L only

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, *k (0, 1) 1, -, 1 (-, -, -) -, - sts*, kfb, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, kfb, rep from *-, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.
Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.
Row 3: k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.
Row 4: p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-4 once.

There are (44, 46) 49, -, 52 (-, -, -) -, - sts on the needles.

Armhole shaping section 1 | Sizes M, XL & 2XL only

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.
Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to m, sm, sl3 wyif.

Work rows 1-2 above a total of (-, -) -, 2, - (2, 2, -) -, - times.

There are (-, -) -, 51, - (54, 56, -) -, - sts on the needles.

Armhole shaping section 2 | All sizes

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyib = 2 sts inc'd.
Row 2 (WS): p3, sm, k1, kfb, k to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyif, sm, k to 2 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, sl3 wyif = 2 sts inc'd.

Work rows 1-2 above a total of (6, 8) 9, 11, 12 (14, 16, 18) 20, 22 times.

Sizes L, XL, 3XL only: work row 1 once more. Then, work row 2 without increases.

There are (68, 78) 85, 95, 102 (112, 120, 128) 137, 147 sts on the needles.

Do not break yarn. **Note** down the final row finished of chart A.

The back measures approx. (9, 9.5) 10.5, 12, 13 (13.5, 14.5, 15) 16, 17.5 cm | (3.5, 3.75) 4.25, 4.75, 5 (5.25, 5.75, 6) 6.25, 7 inch measured in the center lace from the CO edge.

Body

Next, we will join the front and back together to start working in the round.

Firstly, place the front sts back on the 4 mm | US 6 needles.

Work as follows (RS)

1. Starting from the back piece, place the first 3 sts on hold using scrap yarn. Remove m.
2. K to m, sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, sm, k to 3 sts left. Remove m.
3. Place the last 3 sts on hold using scrap yarn.
4. CO (8, 8) 10, 10, 12 (12, 12, 14) 14, 14 using the backwards loop CO method for the underarm.

Repeat steps 1-4 for the front piece. Place BOR m.

There are (140, 160) 178, 198, 216 (236, 252, 272) 290, 310 sts on the needles.

Some things to note:

- we are now working garter stitch in the round which means we need to purl every other round on the side panels.
- the new sts for the underarm are worked in garter stitch.
- the front and back may be at different points in chart A. Use your previous notes to continue the chart A seamlessly.
- chart A is now worked in the round – always read from right to left.

Continue as follows

Round 1: p to m, *sm, sl2 wyib, sm, chart A to m, sm, sl2 wyib, p to m*, rep from *-*.

Round 2: k to m, *sm, k2, sm, chart A to m, sm, k2, k to m*, rep from *-*.

Work in established pattern in the round as above until the work measures (22, 23) 23.5, 23, 23 (23.5, 23.5, 24) 23.5, 23.5 cm | (8.75, 9) 9.25, 9, 9 (9.25, 9.25, 9.5) 9.25, 9.25 inch measured from the underarm or as desired and ending with a odd number of chart A rows. BO all sts purlwise.

Underarm I-cords

Next, we will continue working the I-cord sts along each underarm.

The left side (when worn) is started from the I-cord sts on the left back and worked towards the left front.

The right side (when worn) is started from the I-cord sts on the right front and worked towards the right back.
A video tutorial can be found [here](#).

Work as follows

1. Place the 3 I-cord sts back on the LH needle using 4 mm | US 6 needles.
2. K2, slip the next st as if to knit.
3. Pick up and knit 1 st from the underarm (pick up rate: 1 st from every underarm CO st).
4. Work the slipped st together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop.
5. Slip the 3 sts back to the LH needle as if to purl.

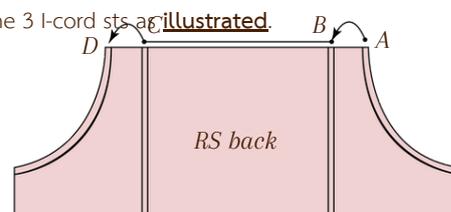
Repeat steps 2-5 until you reach the 3 I-cord sts that were placed on hold on the opposite side of the underarm.
Break yarn. Graft the two I-cords together using the Kitchener stitch. Repeat the above steps for the other underarm.

Back neckline I-cord

The back of the top is finished with two loops that are used to tie and adjust the straps.

We will work a partial applied I-cord along the CO edge of the back neckline starting with the 3 I-cord sts as [illustrated](#).

A video tutorial can be found [here](#).



Start as follows

1. Pick up and knit 3 sts from the I-cord at *point A* using 4 mm | US 6 needles.
2. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
3. K3.
4. Repeat steps 2-3 until the I-cord measures approx. (2, 2.5) 2.5, 3, 2.5 (3, 3.5, 4) 4, 4.5 cm | (0.75, 1) 1, 1.25, 1 (1.25, 1.5, 1.5) 1.5, 1.75 inch.

Slip the 3 sts back to the LH needle. Next, we will work an applied I-cord starting from *point B* as [illustrated](#).

Work as follows

1. K2, slip the next st as if to knit.
2. Pick up and knit 1 st from the CO edge (*pick up rate: pick up and knit from every st*).
3. Work the slipped st together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop.
4. Slip the 3 sts back to the LH needle as if to purl.

Repeat steps 1-4 until you reach *point C* as [illustrated](#).

Continue as follows

1. K3.
2. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
3. Repeat steps 1-2 until the I-cord measures approx. (2, 2.5) 2.5, 3, 2.5 (3, 3.5, 4) 4, 4.5 cm | (0.75, 1) 1, 1.25, 1 (1.25, 1.5, 1.5) 1.5, 1.75 inch.

Break yarn. Graft the I-cord sts together with the I-cord sts from the underarm using the Kitchener stitch as [illustrated](#) with *point D*.

Front neckline I-cord

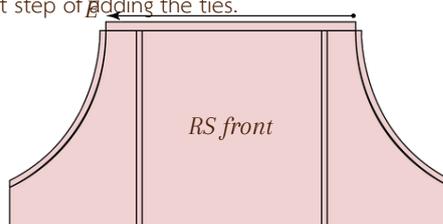
We will work an applied I-cord along the CO edge of the front neckline starting *after* the 3 I-cord sts and stopping *before* the 3 I-cord sts on the other side as [illustrated](#).

The 3 I-cord sts from the underarm on each side need to remain free to be used in the next step of [adding the ties](#).

A video tutorial can be found [here](#).

Work as follows

1. CO 3 sts on your RH needle using the longtail CO method using 4 mm | US 6 needles.
2. Slip the 3 sts on your LH needle as if to purl.
3. K2, slip the next st as if to knit.
4. Pick up and knit 1 st from the CO edge (*pick up rate: pick up and knit from every st*).
5. Work the slipped st together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop.
6. Slip the 3 sts back to the LH needle as if to purl.



Repeat steps 3-6 until the applied I-cord has reached *point E* as [illustrated](#). BO sts knitwise.

I-cord tie | Left side

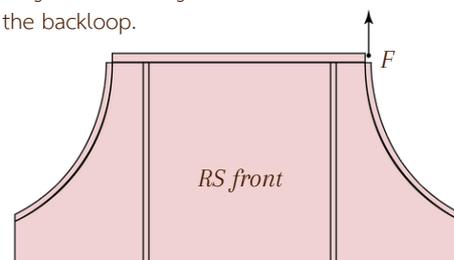
Finally, we will attach a long I-cord on each side at the front to be tied at the back. A video tutorial can be found [here](#).

Work as follows

1. Pick up and knit 3 sts from the I-cord at *point F* as [illustrated](#) using 4 mm | US 6 needles.
2. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
3. K2, slip the next st as if to knit.
4. Pick up and knit 1 st from the front I-cord working from the bottom to the top (so starting at the CO edge).
5. Work the slipped st together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop.
6. Work steps 2-5 a total of 3 times.

Continue as follows

1. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
2. K2, kfb = 1 st inc'd.
3. Slip the 4 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
4. K4.



Repeat steps 3-4 until the I-cord measures approx. 60 cm | 23.5 inch without stretching.
BO sts knitwise.

I-cord tie | Right side

The I-cord tie on the right shoulder is worked in the opposite direction.

Work as follows

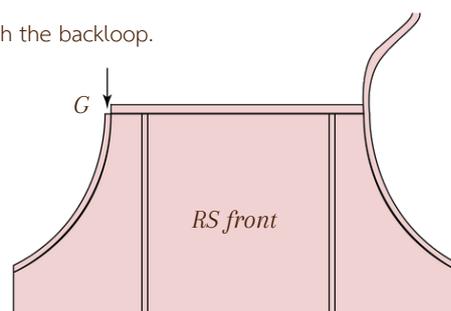
1. CO 4 sts on your RH needle using the longtail CO method using 4 mm | US 6 needles.
2. Slip the 4 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
3. K4.

Repeat steps 2-3 until the I-cord measures approx. 60 cm | 23.5 inch without stretching.

Continue as follows

1. Slip the 4 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
2. K2, slip the next 2 sts as if to knit.
3. Pick up and knit 1 st from the front I-cord working from the top edge to the bottom (so ending at the CO edge).
4. Work the 2 slipped sts together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop = 1 st dec'd.
5. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.
6. K2, slip the next st as if to knit.
7. Pick up and knit 1 st from the front I-cord.
8. Work the slipped st together with the picked up st by knitting them together through the backloop.
9. Work steps 5-8 once more.
10. Slip the 3 sts to your LH needle as if to purl.

Graft the two I-cords together using the Kitchener stitch as [illustrated](#) with *point G*.



Finishing

Weave in all ends.

Block the top to desired measurements.

And enjoy!



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