

VEST NO. 2 SPRING EDITION #VESTNO2SPRING



ABOUT VEST NO. 2 SPRING EDITION

Vest No. 2 Spring Edition is a classic slipover with a regular fit. The garment is worked top down. First, work the top part of the back, then the two fronts, before joining the three for working the body in the round. The neck and armhole trims are worked by picking up stitches, and the vest needs almost no finishing.

SIZES

XS (S) M (L) XL (XXL)

MEASUREMENTS

Length (centre back): 54 (56) 57 (58) 59 (61) cm [21.25 (22) 22.5 (23) 23.25 (24) inches]

Circumference: 93 (99) 103 (107) 116 (126) cm [36.5 (39) 40.5 (42) 45.75 (49.5) inches]

SUGGESTED NEEDLES

4.5 mm [US 7] circular needles (80 or 100 cm [23.5 or 31.5 inches])

3.5 mm [US 4] circular needles (80 cm [23.5 inches])

GAUGE

In stocking stitch using 4.5 mm [US 7] needles
19 sts / 25 rows equal 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches]

MATERIALS

50 (75) 75 (75) 75 (100) gr. Super Kid Silk, Mayflower, 25 gr. / 195 m.
Shown in col. 30.

or...

50 (75) 75 (75) 75 (100) gr. Soft Silk Mohair, Knitting for Olive, 25 gr. / 225 m.

held together with...

150 (150) 150 (150) 150 (200) gr. Lana Cotton, Hjertegarn, 50 gr. / 210 m.
Shown in col. 621.

or...

100 (100) 100 (150) 150 (150) gr. Cotton Merino, Knitting for Olive, 50 gr. / 250 m.

The vest is worked by holding two strands of yarn together when knitting. One of each of the mentioned qualities.

ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit
p = purl
tbl = through the back loop
st(s) = stitch(es)
rnd = round
WS = wrong side
RS = right side
inc = increase (see section below)
m = marker
tog = together
cst = center stitch

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Remember to work a swatch to ensure that you achieve the correct gauge on the suggested needles. A correct gauge is important to ensure correct proportions of your vest.

Size guide

Vest No. 2 Spring Edition features a classic fit. Calculate a positive ease of app. 8-10 cm [3-4 inches] in relation to your bust measurement. Since the vest is designed to be worn over shirts/dresses, it might help to take your measurements with clothes on.

The sizes XS (S) M (L) XL (XXL) are equivalent to the European standard sizes of 34 (36) 38 (40) 42 (44) and would fit a bust of app. 80-85 (85-90) 90-95 (95-100) 100-110 (110-120) cm [31.5-33.5 (33.5-35.5) 35.5-37.5 (37.5-39.5) 39.5-43.25 (43.25-47.25) inches].

For example: Your bust measures 88 cm [34.5 inches] + 8-10 cm [3-4 inches] = 96-98 cm [37.5-38.5 inches], meaning you should work a size S with a circumference of 99 cm [39 inches].

Introduction to the workflow

First, work the top back section by casting on for the neck. Then, work back and forth while increasing. Pick up and knit along the shoulder seams and work the two fronts separately. Now join the back and fronts to work the body in the round. Complete the body with a ribbed edge. Then, pick up an knit stitches for the neck and armhole trims to be worked in rib.

Increases (inc):

The increases are worked to lean either towards the right (M1R) or left (M1L).

A good way of remembering which one to work, is that you should always work a M1L in the beginning of the row and M1R in the end of a row.

M1R

On RS: With your left needle, pick up the bar (between the sts on the right and left needles) from back to front and knit.

On WS: With your left needle, pick up the bar from front to back and purl through the back loop. (M1Rp)

M1L

On RS: With your left needle, pick up the bar from front to back and knit through the back loop.

On WS: With your left needle, pick up the bar from back to front and purl. (M1Lp)

BACK

Cast on 35 (37) 37 (39) 39 (41) sts using 4.5 mm [US 7] needles.

Purl 1 row.

Next row is a RS row.

Now shape the shoulders. Do this by increasing on *all* rows (meaning both the RS and WS rows) as follows:

RS: K3, M1L, k to 3 sts before the end of row, M1R, k3.

WS: P3, M1Lp, p to 3 sts before the end of row, M1Rp, p3.

Work a total of 13 (14) 15 (15) 16 (17) rows with inc.

You now have 61 (65) 67 (69) 71 (75) sts.

Work back and forth in stocking stitch (k on the RS and p on the WS) until work measures app. 16 (17) 17 (18) 18 (18) cm [6.3 (6.9) 6.9 (7) 7 (7) inches] as measured from the last increase.

Finish with a WS row.

Now, increase in both ends of the work to shape the armholes.

*K1 M1L, k to last st, M1R, k1.

Purl 1 row.*

Repeat from *-* a total of 12 (12) 12 (12) 14 (16) times.

You now have 85 (89) 91 (93) 99 (107) sts.
Break the yarn and transfer sts to a helping needle or waste yarn, while working the front sections.

LEFT FRONT

Pick up and knit 13 (14) 15 (15) 16 (17) sts along the left shoulder using the short tail of the yarn.

Your first row is a RS row.
Work back and forth in stocking stitch until you have worked a total of 2 (6) 6 (4) 6 (6) rows.

Now shape the neckline, increasing as follows:

*K1, M1L, k to end of row.
Work 3 rows in stocking stitch (= purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row)*

Repeat from *-* a total of 11 (12) 12 (12) 12 (12) times.

You now have 24 (26) 27 (27) 28 (29) sts.

Now, increase to shape the armholes and **at the same time** continue increasing along the neckline.

Work as follows:

*K1, M1L, k to last st, M1R, k1.
Purl one row.
K to last st, M1R, k1.
Purl one row.*

Repeat from *-* a total of 6 (6) 6 (7) 7 (8) times.

You have now worked a total of 12 (12) 12 (14) 14 (16) inc along the armhole and 17 (18) 18 (19) 19 (20) inc along the neckline.

You now have 42 (44) 45 (48) 49 (53) sts.

Break the yarn and place sts on hold, while working the front right section.



RIGHT FRONT

Pick up and knit 13 (14) 15 (15) 16 (17) sts along the right shoulder using the short tail of the yarn.

Your first row is a RS row.

Work back and forth in stocking stitch until you have worked a total of 2 (6) 6 (4) 6 (6) rows.

Now shape the neckline, increasing as follows:

*K to last st, M1R, k1.

Work 3 rows in stocking stitch (= purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row)*

Repeat from *-* a total of 11 (12) 12 (12) 12 (12) times.

You now have 24 (26) 27 (27) 28 (29) sts.

Now, increase to shape the armholes and **at the same time** continue increasing along the neckline.

Work as follows:

*K1, M1L, k to last st, M1R, k1.

Purl 1 row.

K1, M1L, k to end of row.

Purl 1 row.*

Repeat from *-* total of 6 (6) 6 (7) 7 (8) times.

You have now worked a total of 12 (12) 12 (14) 14 (16) inc along the armhole and 17 (18) 18 (19) 19 (20) inc along the neckline.

You now have 42 (44) 45 (48) 49 (53) sts.

Now join the front and back sections to work stocking stitch in the round. K the right front sts to last st, k the last st from the right front together with the first st from the left front (k2tog), k the left front sts from hold onto the main needles, cast on 4 (6) 8 (8) 12 (14) new sts in extension (left arm hole), k the back sts from hold onto the main needles, cast on 4 (6) 8 (8) 12 (14) new sts in extension (right arm hole), place a marker in the middle of the newly cast on sts, this marks the beginning of round.

You have now joined the sections and have 176 (188) 196 (208) 220 (240) sts.

Work stocking stitch in the round until work measures 48 (50) 51 (52) 53 (55) cm [19 (19.75) 20 (20.5) 21 (21.5) inches] at the centre back.

Change to 3.5 mm [US 4] needles. K 1 rnd before working the rib edge.

Now work 4 cm [1.5 inches] in 1x1 rib (k1, p1).

Bind off using the Italian bind off. Make sure to bind off fairly tightly.

TIP! Is it your first time working the Italian bind off? Have a look here for instructions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5j4qFYHLTIY>

NECK TRIM

Pick up and knit 176 (190) 194 (196) 204 (214) sts around the neckline using 3.5 mm [US 4] circular needles. Pick up sts in each st along the edge and join to work in the round.

The stitches are divided as follows:

Left front 70 (76) 78 (78) 82 (86) sts, 1 st in the centre front st (at the very bottom of the v), right front 70 (76) 78 (78) 82 (86) sts, back 35 (37) 37 (39) 39 (41) sts.

Place a stitch marker in the centre front stitch. This stitch is now named cst. Now work your ribbed edge and shape the v by working a centered double decrease.

*Work 1x1 rib (k1, p1) to 1 st before cst, slip 2 sts *tog* knitwise (where one is your cst). Work 1 st in pattern (k over k / p over p), Pass the 2 slipped sts *tog* over the just worked st, continue in 1x1 rib to the beginning of round.*

TIP! Have a look here for how to do the entered double decrease:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gsqg1T9LD58>

Repeat from *-* until ribbing measures 2.5 cm [1 inch].

Bind off using the Italian bind off. Make sure to bind off fairly tightly.

ARM HOLE EDGES

Now work the arm hole edges. Again, use 3.5 mm [US 4] circular needles.

Begin under the arm hole and pick up and knit in each st around the arm hole, equivalent to app. 134 (146) 156 (162) 164 (174) sts in total.

Work 1x1 rib in the round until ribbing measures 2.5 cm [1 inch].

Bind off using the Italian bind off. Make sure to bind off fairly tightly.

Repeat for the opposite arm hole

FINISHING

Weave in all ends. To finish, you can wash and wet block the vest for an much neater result.

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