



MERAKI CARDIGAN

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The Meraki cardigan has ¾ sleeves and a V neck, and is knitted back and forth, starting at both front sides and continuing with the back.

Both front sides have a lacey column that expands and continues on the back.

Sizes:

XS (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL)

Model from the photo wears a size M.
Recommended positive ease: 30 - 40 cm.

Finished Measurements:

Bust: **116.75 (130, 143.5, 156.75, 170, 183.5, 196.75)** cm.
Height from shoulder to beginning of V neck: **18.75 (20, 21.25, 22.5, 23.75, 25, 26.25)** cm.
Total height: **55 (55.5, 56.6, 57.80, 59.10, 60.30, 61.60)** cm.
Sleeve circumference (measured at mid upper arm): **26 (27.5, 29, 30.5, 31.5, 32.5, 33)** cm.
Sleeve height: 20 cm.

Materials:

- Luxury Socks from Feliz y Punto (70% merino sw, 20% silk, 10% cashmere) (400 m / 100 g). (Photos with the darkest garment are woven with this quality in the color "Dancers in the Dark"). **3 (3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5)** skeins
- Seda 40 from Feliz y Punto (425 m / 100 g) colorway Ivys, (Photos with the lightest garment are woven with this quality in the color "Ivy"). **3 (3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5)** skeins.

Needles and Others

3.5 mm needles - or the size needed to obtain correct gauge.

Cables of interchangeable needles of different lengths that you will use according to each part of the cardigan.

Stitch markers.

Tapestry needle.



Gauge:

24 sts x 32 rows = 10x10 cm in stockinette stitch with 3.5 mm needle, after blocking.

Special knitting stitches:

Twisted Rib 1/1 (right side): *ktbl, P1*

Twisted Rib 1/1 (wrong side): *K1, ptbl*

Used techniques:

	Long Tail Cast On
	Knitted Cast On

Instructions:

Left Front:

Section 1 - Elastic rib:

Using the [Long Tail Cast On](#) CO **70 (78, 86, 94, 102, 110, 118)** sts.

R1 (RS): K1, *K2, P2* repeat from * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

R2 (WS): K1, *K2, P2* repeat from * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 6 more times.

Knit once more row 1.

Inserting markers:

K1, *K2, P2* 2 times, K2, **pm**, *P2, K2* until 11 sts before end, **pm**, *P2, K2* 2 times, P2, K1.

Section 2 - Lace columns:

P1 (RS): K1, *ktbl, P1* repeat from * to * until m, sm, knit chart A until m, sm, knit 10 sts of chart B, K1.

R2 (WS): K1, knit chart B until m, sm, knit chart A until m, sm, *K1, ptbl*, repeat until 1 p before end, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 in a total of 52 times (2x52 = 104 rows).

Last knitted row should correspond with row 8 of both charts.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Should you want to add length to your cardigan all you need is to add sections of 16 rounds always ending at round 8 of both charts.

Section 3 - V neck decreases:

R1 (RS): K1, *ktbl, P1* repeat * to * until m, sm, knit chart C until m, sm, knit 10 sts of chart D, K1,

R2 (WS): K1, knit chart D, sm, knit chart C until m, sm, *K1, ptbl*, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 in a total of 25 (27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37) times.

Knit row 1 one more time.

Last knitted row should be row 3 (7, 11, 15, 3, 7, 11) of charts C and D.

You have (50, 56, 62, 68, 74, 80) sts left.

Cut yarn, place sts on hold and continue with the right front.



Right Front:

Section 1 - Rib:

Using the [Long Tail cast On](#) co 70 (78, 86, 94, 102, 110, 118) sts.

R1 (RS): K1 *P2, K2* repeat * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

R2 (WS): K1 *P2, K2* repeat * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 7 more times.

Knit row 1 once more.

Inserting markers:

K1, *P2, K2* 2 times, P2, **pm**, *K2, P2* until 11 sts before end, **pm**, *K2, P2* 2 times, K3.

Section 2 - Lace columns:

R1 (RS): K1, knit chart B until m, sm, knit chart A until m, sm, *P1, ktbl* repeat until 1 st left before end, K1.

R2 (WS): K1, *ptbl, K1* repeat until m, sm, knit chart A until m, sm, knit chart B until 1 st left before end, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 in a total of 52 times (2x52 = 104 rows).

Last knitted row should correspond with row 8 of both charts.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please keep in mind that if you added repeats of both charts at left front, you should also add them to right front.

Section 3 - V neck decreases:

R1 (RS): K1, knit chart D until m, sm, knit chart C until m, sm, *P1, ktbl* repeat until 1 st before end, K1.

R2 (WS): K1, *ptbl, K1* repeat until m, sm, knit chart C until m, sm, knit chart D until 1 st before end, K1.

Repeat rows 1 - 2 in a total of 25 (27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37) times.

Knit row 1 one more time.

Last knitted row should be row 3 (7, 11, 15, 3, 7, 11) of charts C y D.

You have 44 (50, 56, 62, 68, 74, 80) sts left.

Back:

Starting back:

Set up row: Start knitting right side of right front: K1, *ptbl, K1* repeat until m, sm, knit **row 4 (8, 12, 16, 4, 8, 12)** of chart C of right front until m, sm, knit **row 4 (8, 12, 16, 4, 8, 12)** of chart D until 1 st before end, K1.

Turn work and using ["knitted cast on technique"](#) CO 51 (60, 60, 69, 69, 78, 78) sts, turn work again.

Continue with right side of left front, P1, knit **row 4 (8, 12, 16, 4, 8, 12)** of chart D of left front, sm, knit **row 4 (8, 12, 16, 4, 8, 12)** of chart C of left front until m, sm, *K1, ptbl* until 1 st before end, K1.

You have 139 (160, 172, 193, 205, 226, 238) sts left.

Continue knitting the back. Knit 156 (160, 164, 168, 172, 176, 180) rows the following way:

First and last stitch of each row should be a knit stitch, both on the right side as well on the wrong side. The other stitches should be knitted according to the chart of your size for the back.

Rib:

Adjustment row:

Size XS:

K1, m1l, P1, *K2, P2* repeat * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

Sizes S & M:

No need to make short rows.

Sizes L & XL:

K1, p2tog, P1, *K2, P2* repeat * to * until 1 st before end, K1.

Sizes 2XL & 3XL:

K1, p2tog, P1, *K2, P2* repeat * to * until 6 sts before end, K2 p2tog, P1, K1.

R1: K1, *K2, P2*, repeat * to * until 3 sts before end, K3.

R2: K1 *P2, K2*, repeat * to * until 3 sts before end, P2, K1.

Repeat rounds 1 - 2 7 more times.

Bind off all sts making sure they are not too tight.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please keep in mind that if you added repeats of both charts at both fronts, you should also add them on the back.

Sleeves:

Knit two sleeves the same way.

Sleeves are knitted in the round after picking up stitches from the borders of the garment, but, before that, you should join each side of the back starting with the rib and making a seam until row 128 (130, 131, 132, 134, 135, 137).

After that, you pick at armhole, starting at mid bottom a total of 64 (68, 72, 76, 80, 84, 88) sts. You must pick up 1 st at every row, skipping 1 row after 3 sts picked up.

Make *K2, P2* until sleeve measures 20 cm or at desired length.

Bind off all stitches making sure not to have a tight bind off row.

Front and neck borders:

Starting at right front rib (from RS), pick up a total of 309 (324, 330, 345, 351, 366, 372) sts the following way:

- 1) Pick up 90 sts for all sizes on the border that starts at rib and goes to the beginning of decreases for V neck, (pick up 1 st at every row but skip 1 row after 3 picked up sts).
- 2) *pick up 39 (42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57) sts on the border that starts at the beginning of decreases for V neck and goes to shoulder, (pick up 1 st at every row but skip 1 row after 3 picked up sts).

- 3) Pick up 51 (60, 60, 69, 69, 78, 78) sts on sts added for back neck (pick up 1 st at every st added).
- 4) Pick up 39 (42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57) sts on the border that starts at shoulder and goes to beginning of V neck decreases (left front), (pick up 1 st at every row but skip 1 row after 3 picked up sts).
- 5) Finally, pick up for all sizes 90 sts on border that starts at the beginning of the left front V neck decreases and goes to the end of the rib.

Continue knitting band:

R1: P until end of row.

R2: (row with holes) K4, *k2tog, yo, K10* repeat from * a total of 7 times, k2tog, yo, knit until end of row.

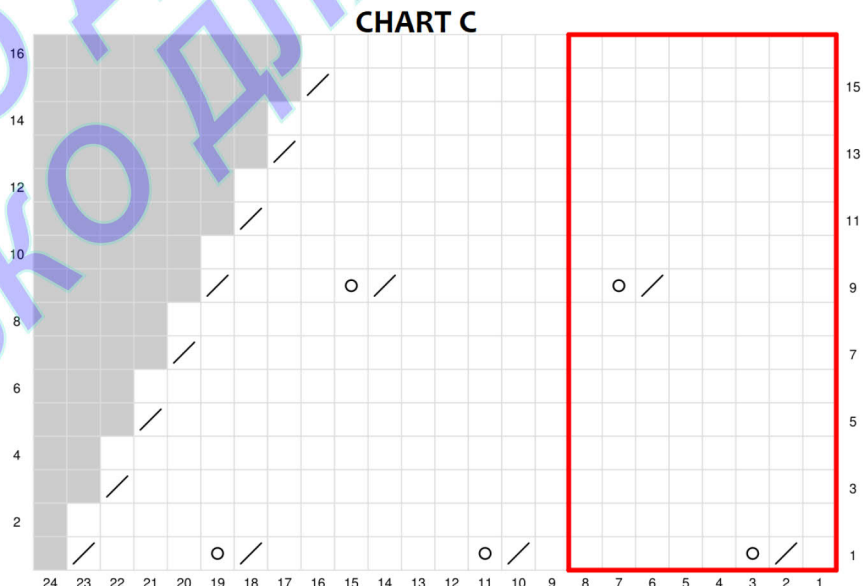
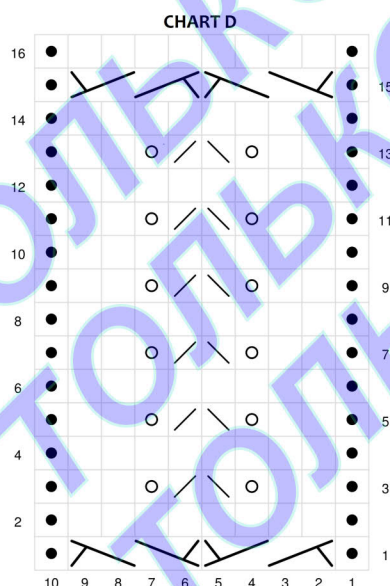
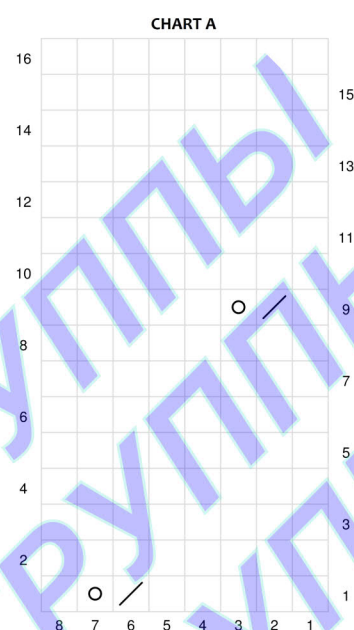
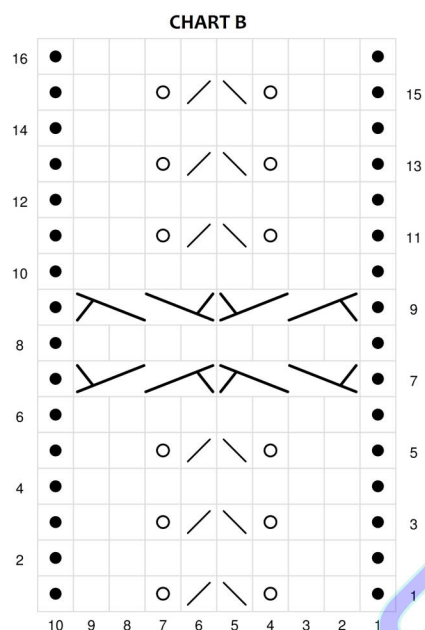
R3: P until end of row.

Bind off

Then make an I-cord bind off: CO 2 sts with the knitted cast on technique, *K1, k2tog through the back loop, slip 2 sts to left needle* repeat until all stitches have been cast off.



LEFT FRONT CHARTS



RIGHT FRONT CHARTS

CHART A

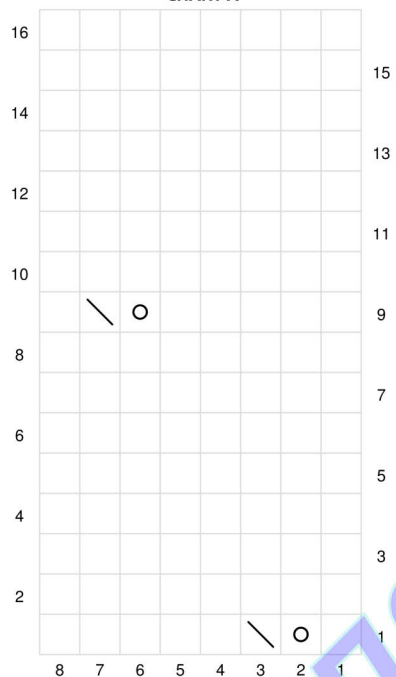


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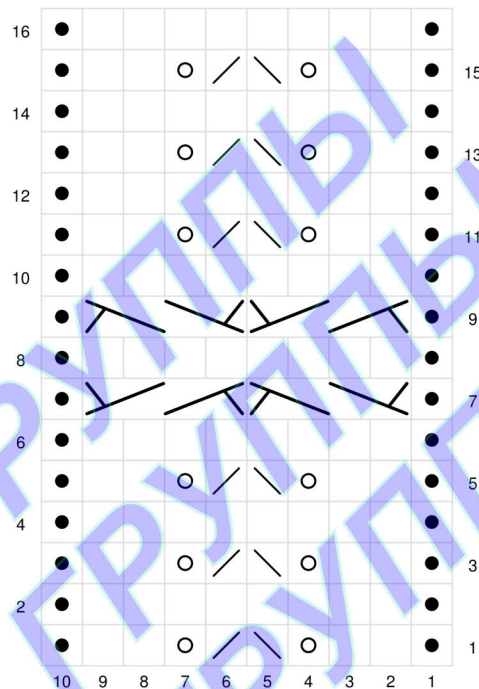
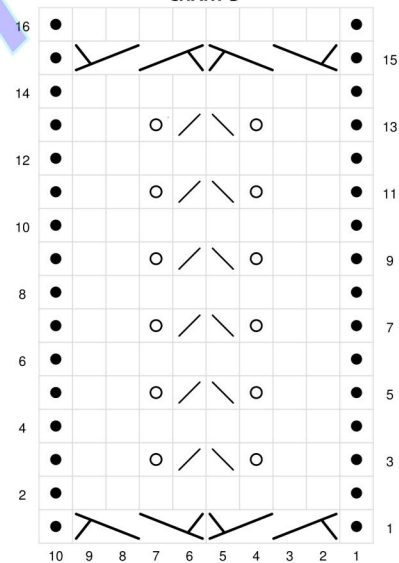


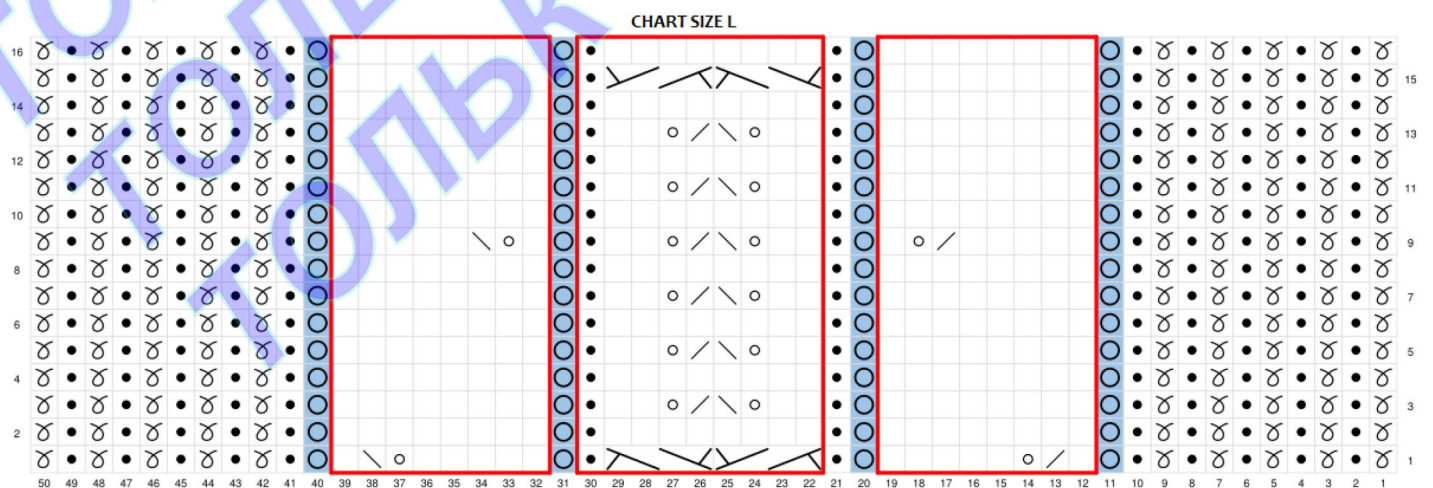
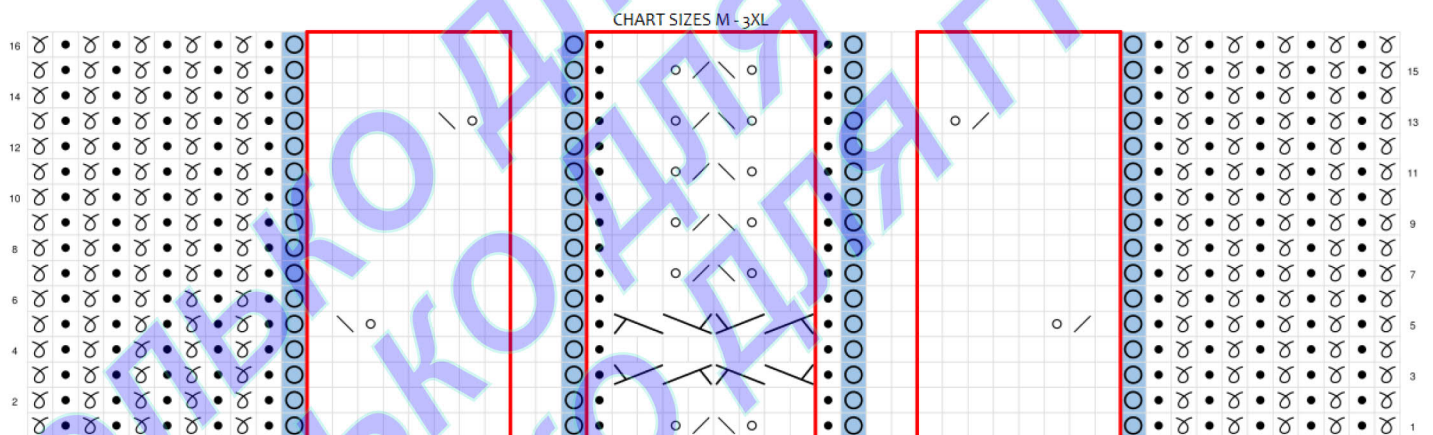
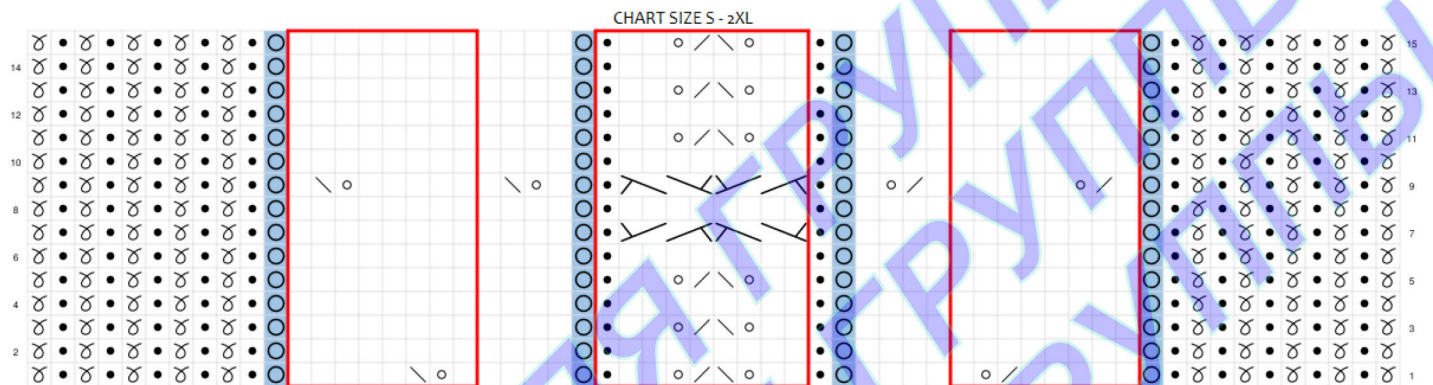
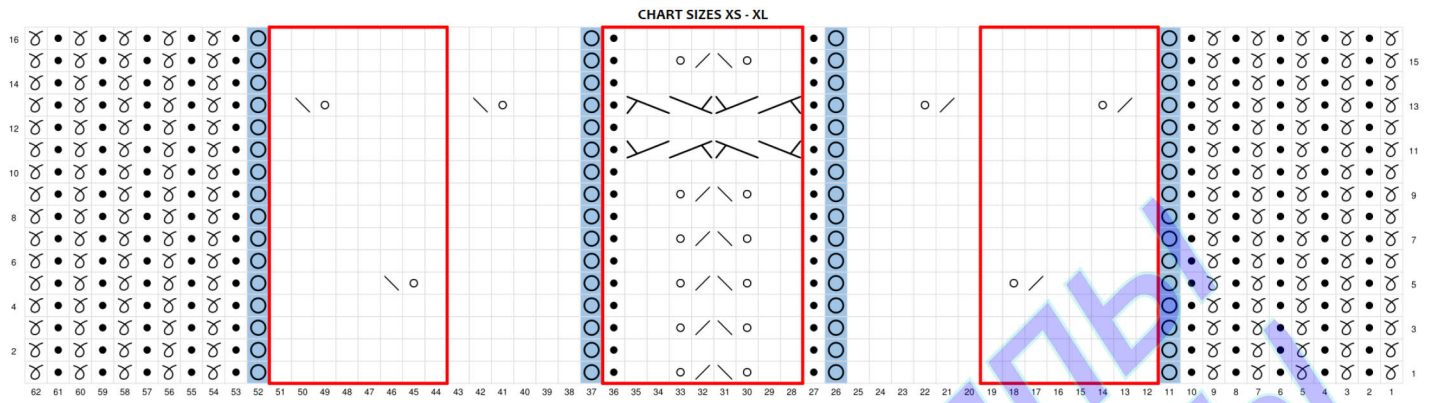
CHART C



CHART D



BACK CHART





RS: Knit
WS: Purl



RS: Purl
WS: Knit



knit 2 together



slip, slip, knit



sl 2 sts onto cn, hold in back, k2, k2 from cn



sl 2 sts onto cn, hold in front, k2, k2 from cn



Repeat



No stitch



RS: knit through back loop
WS: purl through back loop



marker

Abbreviations:

CO	Cast On
k2tog	knit 2 sts together
K	knit
ktbl	knit through the back loop
m	marker
p2tog	purl 2 sts together
P	purl
pm	place marker
ptbl	purl through the back loop
R	row
rm	remove marker
RS	right side of garment
sm	slip marker
st	stitch
WS	wrong side of garment

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