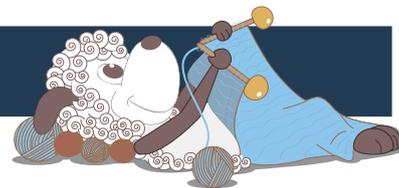


Kjerstin - a Bohus inspired sweater



Design: Rachel Søgaard

The designer talks about Kjerstin: "I've been very interested in the beautiful Bohus sweaters for a long time. The amazing designs were originally created in Bohuslän (now Västra Götaland) in Sweden and the original sweaters were knitted on very small needles. The lovely and quite unique colorwork patterns were created using strategically placed purl stitches on the right side, which created little "pearls" in the fabric. For this design I've played with the same technique, but in much thicker yarn."

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Materials

Peruvian Highland Wool by Filcolana:
350 (400) 450 (500) g in color 977 (Marzipan)
50 (50) 50 (100) g in color 957 (Very Light Grey)
50 g in each of the following colors: 973 (Nougat),
812 (Granite) and 978 (Oatmeal)
4 mm circular needles, 40 and 60 cm long
5 mm circular needles, 60 and 80 cm long
4 and 5 mm double-pointed needles
Stitch markers or loops of contrasting yarn

Sizes

S (M) L (XL)

Measurements

Body, chest: 81-88 (89-96) 97-104 (105-112) cm
sweater, chest: 88 (96) 104 (112) cm
Sleeve length: 45 cm (all sizes)
Total length: 60 (62) 64 (66) cm

Gauge

17,5 sts and 25 rows in stockinette stitch on 5 mm needles = 10 x 10 cm.



Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked in the round from the top down. Neck edge and yoke are worked first, then the work is split into sleeves and body, which are then finished separately.

Yoke

Cast on 78 (84) 90 (96) sts in the main color (here color 977) on a 4 mm circular needle. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work in k1, p1 ribbing until the work measures 4 cm. Change to a 5 mm circular and work 2 (2) 4 (4) rounds of stockinette stitch. Work the charted pattern with increases as shown. The chart is worked a total of 26 (28) 30 (32) times per round.

When the 50 round of the chart have been worked, there are 234 (252) 270 (288) sts on the needle. work another 0 (2) 2 (4) rounds in the main color.

Divide the work

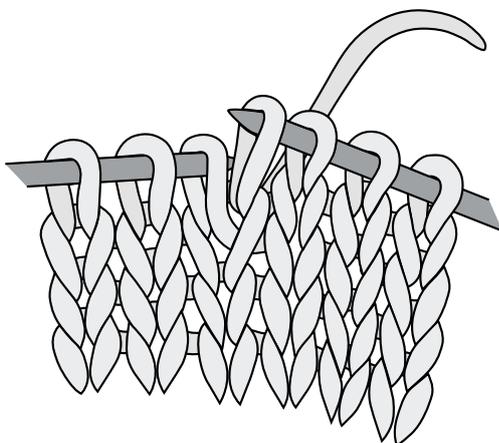
Place 48 (51) 54 (57) sts on a stitch holder (for left sleeve), cast on 8 (9) 10 (11) new sts, knit 69 (75) 81 (87) sts (for front), place the next 48 (51) 54 (57) sts on a stitch holder (for right sleeve), cast on 8 (9) 10 (11) new sts, knit 69 (75) 81 (87) sts (for back).

Body

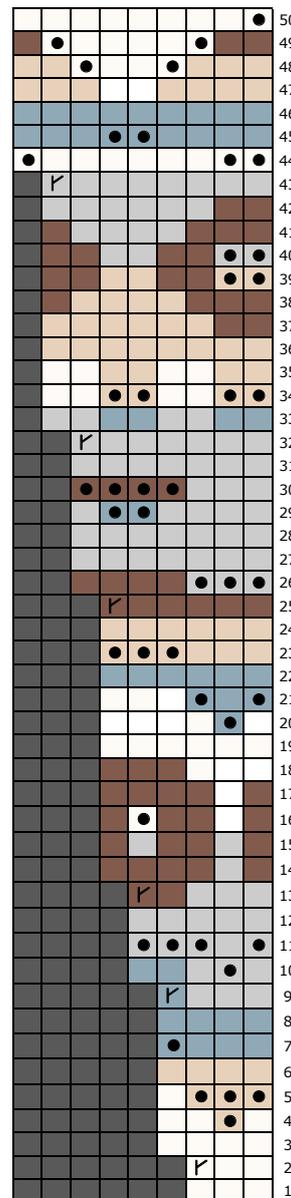
Continue in the round in stockinette stitch across the 154 (168) 182 (196) sts of the body for a total of 29 (30) 31 (32) cm measured from the division of the work. Change to a 4 mm circular needle and work in k1, p1 ribbing for a total of 7 cm.

Bind off loosely or with a sewn bind off: Break the yarn so you have tail approx. 3 times as long as the edge you need to bind off. Thread the tail onto a wool needle. Insert the needle through the first stitch on the needle as if to purl, and pull the yarn through the stitch, and let the stitch fall off the needle. * Insert the needle through the second stitch on the needle as if to knit, through to the WS of the work

Increase



Chart



- main color 977
- color 978
- color 973
- color 957
- color 812
- purl
- ∩ increase: insert the right needle into the right leg of the stitch below the next stitch on the needle and knit it, then knit the next stitch on the needle
- no stitch

and then through the first stitch on the needle as if to purl. Pull the yarn through the stitch and let the first stitch fall off the needle*. Repeat from * to * until all the stitches have been bound off.

Sleeves

Place the 48 (51) 54 (57) sts from one sleeve onto 5 mm double-pointed needle and pick up and knit 8 (9) 10 (11) sts from under the sleeve = 56 (60) 64 (68) sts on the needle.

Note: To avoid holes and elongated sts between the newly picked up stitches and the stitches from the yoke, you can pick up an additional stitch on either side of the 8 (9) 10 (11) sts, which you then decrease away on the first round of knitting.

Work 18 (10) 10 (10) rounds straight in stockinette stitch (or longer, if you want a longer sleeve).

Place a marker around the centre one (two) one (two) stitch(es) under the sleeve, to mark the beginning of the round.

Work a decrease round: Knit the marked st(s), k2tog, knit to the last 2 sts before the marked st(s), skip.

Work a decrease round every 8th round until there are 40 (40) 44 (48) sts left on the needle. Change to 4 mm double pointed needles when the sleeve measures 38 cm or the desired length minus 7 cm. Work 7 cm of k1, p1 ribbing. Bind off loosely or with a sewn bind off.

Work the second sleeve the same way.

Weave in the ends.

Gently rinse the finished work, put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine and lay it on a flat surface to dry.

