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JÄRBO LIN



Märta – women's lace-knit cardigan

Märta is a lovely spring and summer cardigan in a delightful linen yarn from Holma-Helsingland. Inspired by rain but made for sunny days. The gossamer raindrop pattern is easy to knit and is effectively showcased by linen's natural drape. The A-line silhouette of the cardigan is comfortable while the narrow waist and wide lower edge ensure a graceful fit. A clasp or snap at the top holds the garment together. Linen's structure combines with the raindrop pattern along the front edges to add to the overall charm. The model pictured here is size Medium.

SIZES Women's XS (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest-garment measurements: approx. 34¼ (36¾, 42¼, 47¼, 49¾, 52½, 58, 63) in / 87 (93, 107, 120, 126, 133, 147, 160) cm: 2 in / 5 cm positive ease recommended

Chest-body measurements: approx. 32¼ (34¾, 40¼, 45¼, 47¾, 50½, 56, 61) in / 82 (88, 102, 115, 121, 128, 142, 155) cm

Waist circumference: approx. 30 (32¼, 37½, 42¼, 45, 47¼, 52½, 57) in / 76 (82, 95, 107, 114, 120, 133, 145) cm

Total length: approx. 22½ (22¾, 25¼, 25¾, 26½, 28, 28, 28¼) in / 57 (58, 64, 65, 67, 71, 71, 72) cm

Sleeve length: Choose between 2 sleeve lengths: 1 = 17¾ in / 45 cm; 2 = 19¾ in / 50 cm

MATERIALS

YARN Järbo Lin (CYCA #3, DK, light worsted, 100% linen, 219 yd/200 m / 100 g)

YARN COLOR and AMOUNT

Greystone 48106: approx. 350 (400, 470, 500, 520, 550, 600, 650) g

NEEDLES U. S. size 4 / 3.5 mm: circular at least 40 in / 100 cm long; set of 5 dpn for sleeves (or long Magic Loop circular).

U. S. size 2.5 / 3 mm: circular 40 in / 100 cm long

NOTIONS clasp or press button- snap (if the button is small, use a small piece of rolled vlieseline or ribbon to support button) blunt tip tapestry needle, stitch holder, stitch markers.

GAUGE: Approx. 24 sts and 24 rows in raindrop pattern (worked over most of the garment) on needles U. S. 4 / 3.5 mm = 4 x 4 in / 10 x 10 cm. Approx. 19 sts and 24 rows in stockinette (only at the waist) on needles U. S. 2.5 / 3 mm = 4 x 4 in / 10 x 10 cm. Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

TECHNIQUES/STITCHES

P2tog tbl: purl 2 sts together through back loops

P2tog: purl 2 sts together

P3tog: purl 3 sts together

K2tog: knit 2 sts together = right-leaning decrease

Sl m: slip marker from left to right needle

Ssk: slip 2 sts knitwise, one at a time; insert left needle tip into the sts from left to right and knit 2 together = left-leaning decrease

Sl1, k2tog, pss0: slip 1 st knitwise, knit 2 together, pass slipped st over = double decrease, 2 sts decreased

Pf&b: increase 1 st by purling into front and then back of same st

M1R: Make 1 right: lift strand between 2 sts, inserting left needle tip from back to front and knit into front loop

M1L: Make 1 left: lift strand between 2 sts, inserting left needle tip from front to back and knit into back loop

Kf&b: increase 1 st by knitting into front and then back of same st

Inc 1 to 5: into same st, work (k1, yo, k1, yo, k1).

Tips for checking gauge of raindrop pattern: Three repeats of Raindrop chart B (= 3 x 8 sts) = 4 in / 10 cm wide as measured at center of raindrop. **NOTE** You cannot use Raindrop chart A for checking gauge if you want to count the number of drops! For a gauge swatch, work 5 repeats across, meaning CO 20 sts (which will increase to 40 sts on the first row), work 4 drops in length and measure the gauge in the center of some of the drops at the center of the swatch. Don't forget that you need to have 3 repeats of the chart so both drops and the purl sts (= 3 x 8 sts) can be measured. In length, 4 drops = 4 in / 10 cm.

BEGIN PATTERN:

The cardigan is worked back and forth, from the bottom up.

With larger size circular, CO 236 (302, 354, 406, 432, 348, 388, 428) sts. It is easiest to cast on with the long-tail method, using two strands so you don't risk running out of yarn.

This project will seem ENORMOUS to begin with. It will feel as if you are knitting a cardigan – as big as a shawl – that is, seven times too big, but, once you've verified your gauge, you can rely on the pattern and rest assured it is safe to continue. All will be fine.

RAINDROP CHART A

You should have 22 (24, 28, 28, 32, 34, 36, 40, 44) raindrops on the needle.

Size XS: Begin with Row 32 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once. The M1R increases on the first row might be difficult, so you can use kf&b on the st before instead.

Size S: Begin with Row 26 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once. The M1R increases on the first row might be difficult, so you can use kf&b on the st before instead.

Size M: Begin with Row 20 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once. The M1R increases on the first row might be difficult, so you can use kf&b on the st before instead.

Size L: Begin with Row 14 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once. The M1R increases on the first row might be difficult, so you can use kf&b on the st before instead.

Size XL: Begin with Row 8 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once. The M1R increases on the first row might be difficult, so you can use kf&b on the st before instead.

Sizes 2XL, 3XL, 4XL: Begin with Row 1 on Raindrop chart A (**NOTE** This is a WS row – read chart from left to right), and work following the chart to end of row. Work complete chart once.

All sizes: 132 (144, 168, 192, 204, 216, 240, 264) sts rem after Raindrop chart A. There should be 22 (24, 28, 32, 34, 36, 40, 44) raindrops on the needle.

WAIST

Change to smaller size circular and work in stockinette for 2 in / 5 cm. **NOTE** that the first and last rows are WS rows.

SHAPING WAIST TO CHEST

Row 1 (RS): K33 (36, 42, 48, 51, 54, 60, 66), pm, k66 (72, 84, 96, 102, 108, 120, 132), pm, K33 (36, 42, 48, 51, 54, 60, 66).

Row 2 (WS): (K1, k2tog) across.

There are now 4 sts per raindrop repeat, or a total of 88 (96, 112, 128, 136, 144, 160, 176) sts.

Now you will work following Raindrop chart B. When you get to the end of the chart, just begin again from Row 2 as many times as needed. Slip markers when you come to them unless otherwise instructed.

On Row 3, place markers at the sides to indicate where the chart ends or begins, as well as where you have increased sts at the sides, so, you will have 3 markers at the sides; the first marker at the end of the chart on the front, the next marker is for the center st at the side, and the third and last marker shows where the chart begins for the back – and, correspondingly, on the next side. All the sts between the outer markers are purled.

Sizes S, M, L, 2XL, 3XL, and 4XL:

Row 3 (RS): Change to larger size circular, work following Raindrop chart B, Row 1 until 1 st from next marker, pf&b, pm in front of previous st (that is, between the two sts just worked into same st), sl m, M1R, pm, work from chart Row 1 until 1 st from marker, pf&b, pm in front of previous st (that is, between the two sts just worked into same st), sl m, M1R, and continue following chart to end of row.

Sizes XS and XL:

Row 3 (RS): Change to larger size circular, work following Raindrop chart B, Row 1 until 2 sts from next marker, pf&b, pm, p1, sl m, p1, pm, pf&b, continue working from chart to end of row. *4 sts increased.*

All sizes:

Row 4 (WS): *Work from chart to first side marker, sl m, k1, sl m, k1, sl m*; rep * to * once more. Work from chart to end of row.

Row 5 (RS): *Work following Raindrop chart B to first side marker, sl m, p1, sl m, p1, sl m*; rep from * to * once more. Work from chart to end of row.

Row 6 (WS): *Work from chart to first side marker, sl m, k1, sl m, k1, sl m*; rep * to * once more. Work from chart to end of row.

Row 7 (RS): *Work from chart to marker, sl m, purl until 1 st from marker, M1R, p1, sl m, M1L, purl to marker, sl m*; rep from * to * once more. Work from chart to end of row. *4 sts increased.*

Row 8 (WS): Work following chart, knitting all sts between markers at the sides (purl on RS).

Row 9 (RS): Work across following Raindrop chart B, purling all sts between markers at the sides.

Row 10 (WS): Work following chart, knitting all sts between markers at the sides (purl on RS).

Rep Rows 9 and 10 until you've worked chart Row 12.

Row 13: Increase by 1 rep of chart on each side of markers (= a total of 4 new raindrops on each side of the center stitch). Increase with (Inc 1 to 5, p3) on the increased sts on each side of the side markers. Remove the two markers on each side of side markers. A total of 16 new sts, 2 new raindrops on back and one on each front, 26 (28, 32, 36, 38, 40, 44 48) raindrops across the chest.

Sizes XS and XL only:

Now 4 purl sts rem, 2 on each side of the side marker. Make 1 more drop with these 4 sts on the next row, (Row 7 or 13). Leave in center marker and place it centered on the chart between the raindrop and the 3 purl sts.

All sizes:

Continue following Raindrop chart B until you've worked two complete repeats of the chart, as well as Rows 2-5 once more (= a total of 5 raindrops in length after the waist).

Next Row: *Work Row 6 from the chart until 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4) sts from marker – or until you've completed the last drop, and the rem purl sts to marker, k6 (6, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8). Place the just knitted 6 (6, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8) sts on a holder (remove marker)*; rep *to * once more, work Row 6 to end of row.

It is important that the next row is Row 7.

Set body aside while you knit the sleeves.

SLEEVES

There are two sleeve lengths to choose from. The sleeve length is measured from the wrist to the underarm. Sleeve length 1 = 17¾ in / 45 cm; sleeve length 2 = 19¾ in / 50 cm. If you decide to adjust sleeve length, it is easiest to omit or add a chart repeat (that is, two drops in length) and, *most important of all*, to end on a Row 6 to match the body when you join the sleeve.

With larger size dpn or long circular for Magic Loop, CO 58 (58, 66, 66, 74, 74, 74, 82) sts. Begin working back and forth.

Decrease Row (WS): K1, (k2tog) to last st, end k1.

28 (28, 32, 32, 32, 36, 36, 36) sts decreased and 30 (30, 34, 34, 34, 38, 38, 38) sts rem.

Row 1 (RS): P1, work Row 1 of chart B, end p1.

Now join to work in the round; pm for beginning of rnd. You should have 7 (7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 9, 9) raindrops around plus 2 edge sts.

Work following chart as est. Always purl the first and last sts of rnd. Work an Increase Rnd (see below):

Sizes XS, S, M, and L: Increase on every chart Row 7 and 13.

Sizes XL and 2XL: Increase on every chart Row 3, 7, and 11.

Sizes 3XL: Increase on every chart Row 3, 7, 9, and 11.

Sizes 4XL: Increase on all odd-numbered rnds = every chart Row 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13.

Increase Round: Pf&b, work from Raindrop chart B until 1 st rem; end pf&b.

Purl new sts until they can be worked into Raindrop pattern.

All sizes:

As soon as you have 4 extra sts on Rows 7 or 13, make an extra raindrop. You will maintain the center in the same place throughout but will make sts alternately to the left and right as outlined below.

First new raindrop (Row 7 or 13): Slip the last 2 sts on right needle to left needle (or move 2 sts to the right), where you have 5 purl sts at beginning of rnd and 1 purl st at end. Make a new drop with sts 2-5 at beginning of rnd. Continue increasing inside edge sts as before (the edge sts are on opposite sides of marker).

Second new raindrop (Row 7 or 13): Slip the first 2 sts on left needle to right needle (or move 2 sts to the left), Make a new drop with the 5 sts at end of rnd, and end rnd with p1 (pf&b if on an increase rnd). Continue increasing inside edge sts as before (the edge sts are on opposite sides of marker).

Continue making new drops by alternately creating them to the left and right. Continue as above until you have a total of 11 (11, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17 19) raindrops around the sleeve = you've increased 3 (4, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10) raindrops on the sleeve.

For Sleeve length 1 (17¾ in / 45 cm): Work following chart until you have 9 complete chart repeats in length (there are 2 drops in one repeat so a total of 18 drops in length).

For Sleeve length 2 (19¾ in / 50 cm): Work following chart until you have 10 complete chart repeats in length (there are 2 drops in one repeat so a total of 20 drops in length).

NOTE You can change the sleeve length, but must do so with complete repeats (that is, 2 drops, not 1). The difference is approx. 2 in / 5 cm per repeat. Also, make sure you have the correct number of stitches before you shorten the length if you need to shorten it.

Now work chart Rows 2 to 5 once more.

Next Rnd: Work chart Row 6 until 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4) sts from end, k6 (6, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8); place last 6 (6, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8) sts on holder.

It is important that the next rnd is Row 7.

Cut yarn, leaving an end about 20 in / 50 cm long to use for seaming underarm.

Make second sleeve as for first.

YOKE

Now it's time to join the sleeves and body and to shape the front neck and raglan. You will decrease a few sts at a time and the rule of thumb is that you only work whole raindrops. If a decrease goes into a drop, purl the rem sts of drop. Work back and forth.

The number of raindrops on body (before binding off at underarm): 26 (28, 32, 36, 38, 40, 44, 48) = 156 (168, 192, 216, 228, 240, 264, 288) sts.

The number of raindrops on each upper sleeve (before binding off at underarm): a total of 11 (11, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17 19) = 60 (66, 66, 72, 84, 96, 102, 114) sts.

Next row (RS): Work Row 7 over the body until 1 st before sleeve, k1, pm, slip sleeve sts onto an extra needle, and work across sleeve: k1, work Row 7 until 1 st from end of sleeve, k1, pm. Work across back: k1, work Row 7 until 1 st from purl st of sleeve, k1, pm. Slip sleeve sts onto an extra needle, and work across sleeve: k1, work Row 7 until 1 st from end of sleeve, k1, pm, work across front: k1, work Row 7 to end. 356 (388, 420, 468, 512, 560, 608, 672) sts on Row 7.

Next Row (WS): *Work Row 8 until 1 st before marker, p1, sl m, p1*; rep * to * once more, and then work Row 8 to end.

Now it's time to shape the front neck *at the same time* as you decrease for raglan.

Decrease Row 1 (RS): P2, p2tog tbl, *work following chart until 3 sts before marker (if you end up in the center of a drop, omit the drop and purl these sts instead), p2tog, k1, sl m, k1, p2tog tbl*; rep * to * 3 more times. Work following chart until 4 sts before end, p2tog, p2 = 10 sts decreased.

Row 2 (WS): K2, *work following chart until 1 st before marker, p1, sl m, p1*; rep * to * 3 more times, work following chart until 2 sts from end, end k2.

Rep Rows 1-2 another 10 (10, 11, 11, 12, 12, 13, 13) times.

Now you've finished shaping the neck but will continue the raglan shaping – but *not* on the front pieces.

Decrease Row 3 (RS): P2, *work following chart to marker, *sl m, k1, k2tog tbl, work following chart until 3 sts before marker, p2tog, k1, sl m*; rep * to * 2 more times, work following chart until 2 sts before end, end p2 = 6 sts decreased.

Row 4 (WS): K2, *work following chart until 1 st before marker, p1, sl m, p1*; rep * to * 3 more times, work following chart until 2 sts from end, end k2.

Rep Rows 3-4 another 4 (5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7) times.

The depth of the yoke (see measurement schematic) should now measure approx. 6¾ (7, 7½, 8, 8, 8¼, 8¼, 8¾) in / 17 (18, 19, 20, 20, 21, 21, 22) cm from underarm. Try on the sweater to decide if you are satisfied with it or want to add more raglan decrease rows. Work to the next Row 7 or 13. On the next row (Row 7 or 13), change the 1 to 5 increase to a purl st.

BO knitwise on WS.

Joining underarms with 3-needle bind-off: Place each set of held underarm sts on a separate needle. Hold 2 needles with RS facing RS so you can knit them together on the WS. *Using a third needle, k2tog with the first st on each needle, k2tog with next st on each needle, pass first st on right needle over second st (as for binding off).* Rep * to * until 1 st rem; cut yarn and bring end through last loop.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends neatly on WS. Soak cardigan in lukewarm water for at least 1 hour (so the fibers will absorb water thoroughly). Gently squeeze (do not wring!) out excess water, roll sweater in a towel and press out more water. Pat or pin block out to finished measurements (see measurements schematic).

To close the cardigan over the chest, you have two choices:

Clasp(s): Securely sew on one or more clasps centered on the chest, just inside the decreases before the neck shaping begins. If you sew on several clasps, alternately sew them on with the hook or eye facing out from the front edge (that is, reverse the clasp direction for each clasp down on the same side of front) so the clasps can't easily slide open when closed

Press button/snap: Use one of the points which stands out from the side to place a button/snap below the point and place the other part of the button/snap on the opposite side of the cardigan. If you choose snaps, secure each with a tiny piece of vlieseline/a scrap of ribbon on each part of the sweater, just under the snap but on the wrong side, to prevent any tears in the fabric.

MEASUREMENTS SCHEMATIC

A: **Chest** = approx. 34¼ (36¾, 42¼, 47¼, 49¾, 52½, 58, 63) in / 87 (93, 107, 120, 126, 133, 147, 160) cm

B: **Total length** = approx. 22½ (22¾, 25¼, 25¾, 26½, 28, 28, 28¼) in / 57 (58, 64, 65, 67, 71, 71, 72) cm

C: **Length to waist** = approx. 6¾ (7½, 8¾, 11½, 11½, 11½, 11½, 11½, 11½) in / 17 (19, 22, 29, 29, 29, 29) cm

D: **Waist length** = approx. 2 (2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2) in / 5 (5, 5, 5, 5, 5) cm

E: **Length, waist to underarm** = approx. 7 (6¼, 4¼, 5¼, 6¼, 6¼, 6¼) in / 18 (16, 18, 11, 13, 16, 16, 16) cm

F **Yoke depth** = approx. 6¾ (7, 7½, 8, 8, 8¼, 8¼, 8¾) in / 17 (18, 19, 20, 20, 21, 21, 22) cm

G: **Waist circumference** = approx. 30 (32¼, 37½, 42¼, 45, 47¼, 52½, 57) in / 76 (82, 95, 107, 114, 120, 133, 145) cm

H. **Sleeve Length** = approx. 17¾ in / 45 cm; or 19¾ in / 50 cm

The arrows on the chart indicate direction of knitting

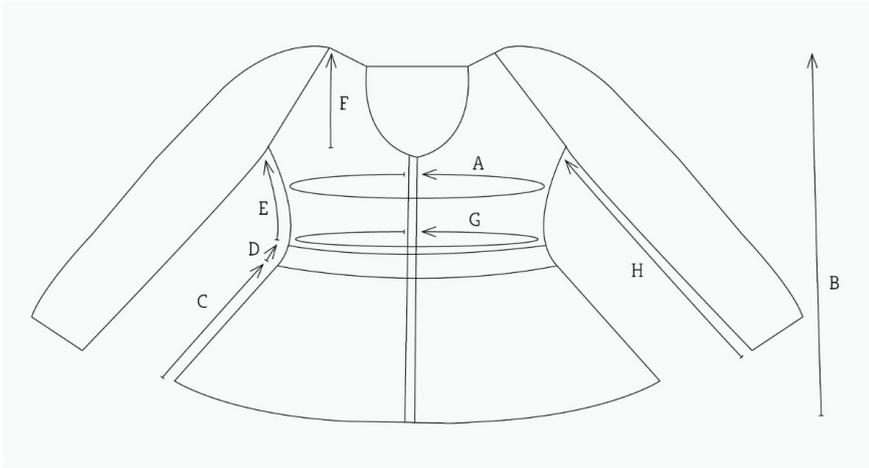


CHART A

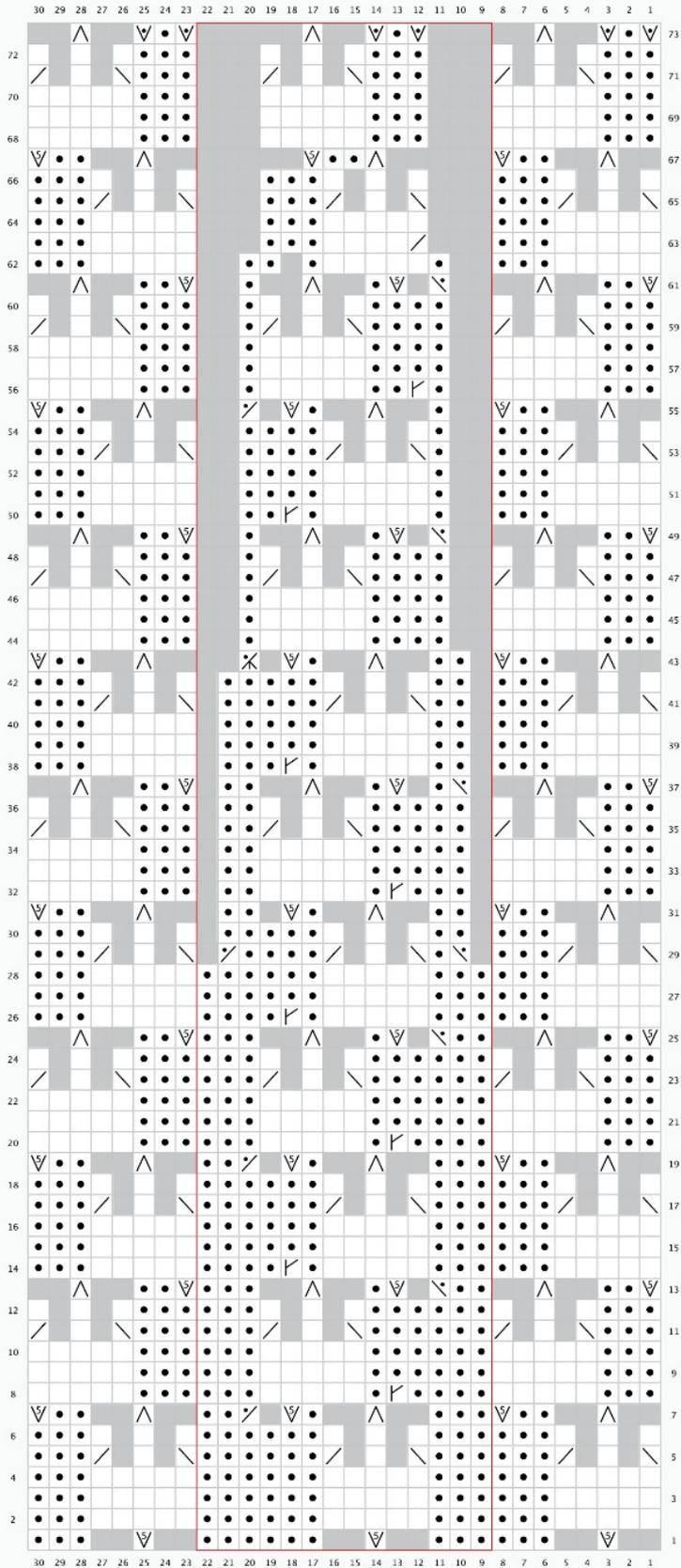
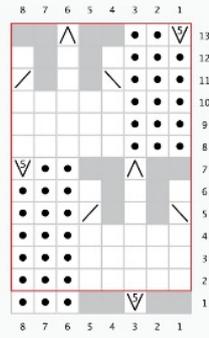


CHART B



- = RS: knit, WS: purl
- = RS: purl, WS: knit
- = 1 st increased to 5
- = RS: ssk
- = RS: k2tog
- = RS: Double decrease = sl 1, k2tog, pss0
- = RS: pf&b, WS: kf&b
- = RS: p2 tog tbl
- = RS: p2tog
- = RS: p3tog
- = WS: RLI
- = no stitch, skip on chart
- = repeat

Tips & Shortcuts

To avoid questions: Before you begin knitting, read through the pattern.

Stitch count: Always knit or crochet a gauge swatch as recommended in the pattern. If your stitch count doesn't match the gauge given in the pattern, try again with larger or smaller needles or hook. If your gauge doesn't match that in the pattern, your item will not be the correct size or shape.

Highlight the size you will knit or crochet throughout the pattern to make it easier to follow the instructions.

Charts: It will be easier to follow a chart if you mark your row with a ruler and magnetic board or sticky note.

Ease: The amount of ease included in our garments varies depending on the type and shape of the garment. To determine the right size, we recommend that you first measure your body. Then you can calculate the garment size depending on how much ease you want the garment to have. The schematics for each piece show all the garment measurements.

Two-color stranded knitting: When knitting more than 3-4 stitches of the same color, twist the color strands around each other on the wrong side to avoid long strands or "floats" on the back. If the yarns need to be twisted on several rows/rounds, make sure you do not stack the twists in the same place to prevent the yarns from showing through on the right side.

Yarn alternative: Please be aware that the gauge (tension), yarn quantity and the shape of the work varies if you use another yarn (even in the same yarn group).

Tips för hand dyed yarn: Make sure you have enough yarn to complete your project. The colors may vary from time to time. To get a smooth color mix, you can alternate between two skeins: knit two rows from one and two rows from another skein.

Abbreviations

KNITTING

alt = alternately, **approx.** = approximately, **beg** = begin, **bl** = back loop, **BO** = bind off, **cc** = contrasting color, **cn** = cable needle, **CO** = cast on, **col** = color, **cont** = continue, **dec** = decrease, **dpn(s)** = double-pointed needles, **EOR** = end of row/round, **fl** = front loop, **g st** = garter stitch, **inc** = increase, **k1f&b** = knit in front and back loop of same stitch, **k** = knit (stitch), **k2tog** = knit two stitches together (right-slanting decrease), **kw** = knitwise, **LH** = left hand needle, **m** = marker, **mm** = millimeters, **mc** = main color, **p** = purl (stitch), **patt** = pattern, **pm** = place marker, **pw** = purlwise, **rep** = repeat, **rnd(s)** = round/rounds, **RH** = right hand needle, **RM** = remove marker, **RS** = right side, **sl** = slip, **sl m** = slip marker, **ssk** = slip, slip, knit, **st(s)** = stitches, **St st** = stockinette/stocking stitch, **tog** = together, **WS** = wrong side, **wyib** = with yarn in back, **wyif** = with yarn in front, **yo** = yarn over

CROCHETING

approx. = approximately, **beg** = begin, **bl** = back loop, **ch** = chain stitch, **col** = color, **cont** = continue, **dc** = double crochet, **dec** = decrease, **dtr** = double treble crochet, **fl** = front loop, **hdc** = half double crochet, **htr** = half treble crochet, **inc** = increase, **m** = marker, **mc** = main color, **rep** = repeat, **rnd/rnds** = round/rounds, **RS** = right side, **sc** = single crochet, **sl st** = slip stitch, **sts** = stitches, **tog** = together, **tr** = treble crochet, **tr tr** = triple treble crochet, **WS** = wrong side, **yo** = yarn over