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The sweater is worked seamlessly in rounds from the top down, using the stranded knitting technique. The presence of some purl stitches creates an interesting effect and adds texture to the colorwork. Knitters must know how to work with two colors, carrying the unused yarn on wrong side and how to catch long floats. Short rows are used to shape back. Full instructions for working short rows are given.



Sizes: 1 (2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8). Finished chest circumference 81 (91, 101, 111, 121, 131, 141, 151) cm. The sweater is intended to be worn with 4-10 cm of positive ease.

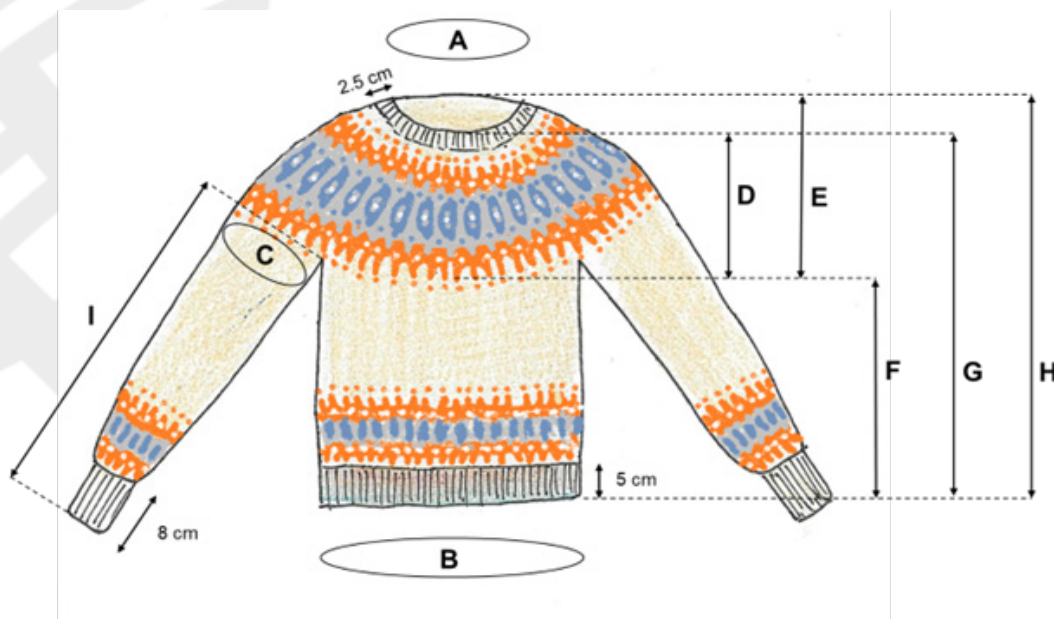
Yarn: 350 (350, 400, 450, 450, 500, 500, 500) g of SESIA Alaska (48% alpaca, 31% wool, 14% polyamide, 7% cashmere; 50g=200m): 150 (150, 200, 200, 200, 250, 250, 250) g of color A (beige 7391), 50 (50, 50, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100) g of color B (orange 4563), 50 g of color C (white 80), 50 g of color D (grey 1923) and 50 g of color E (blue 1765).

Needles and materials: 3 mm, 3.5 mm and 3.75 mm circular needles in suitable lengths, tapestry needle, one stitch marker, two stitch holders for sleeves (you can use spare needles or waste yarn).

Gauge: 10 cm = 22 stitches and 28 rows/rounds in stockinette stitch with 3.5 mm needles, and 24 stitches and 25 rows/rounds in colorwork with 3.75mm needles. Please, check gauge carefully!

Level of difficulty: intermediate/advanced.

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- A. Neck circumference 43 (45, 47, 49, 51, 54, 56, 58) cm
- B. Chest circumference 81 (91, 101, 111, 121, 131, 141, 151) cm
- C. Upper arm circumference 28.5 (32, 35, 38, 41.5, 44.5, 47.5, 51) cm
- D. Yoke length at front 22 (22, 23, 24, 25, 25.5, 26.5, 27) cm
- E. Yoke length at back 25 (25, 26.5, 27.5, 28, 28.5, 29.5, 30) cm
- F. Body length from armhole 29 (30, 30, 30, 30, 30, 30.5, 30.5, 31) cm
- G. Front length 51 (52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58) cm
- H. Back length 54 (55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61) cm
- I. Arm length from armhole 43 (44, 44, 45, 45, 46, 46, 47) cm

Abbreviations and stitches explanation

k = knit.

p = purl.

st, sts = stitch, stitches.

M = stitch marker.

RS = right side.

WS = wrong side.

col = color.

w&t = wrap and turn. In a right side (knit) row: keeping yarn in back, slip one stitch purlwise from left needle to right needle, move yarn to the front and slip again the stitch to left needle, turn your work. In a wrong side (purl) row: keeping yarn in front, slip one stitch purlwise from left needle to right needle, move yarn to the back and slip again the stitch to left needle, turn your work.

k2tog = knit two stitches together.

skp = slip one stitch as if to knit, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the knitted one.

M1inc = make 1 increase. With left needle lift the horizontal strand between the last worked stitch and the next stitch from front to back and knit it through the back loop.

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BLinc = backward loop increase. You can work this increase with right hand or left hand. With left hand: make a loop of working yarn around left index finger from front to back, insert right needle from back to front into the back of the loop, then remove your finger to create a new stitch. With right hand: make a loop of working yarn around right index finger from front to back, rotate your right index finger clockwise to close the loop, insert right needle into that loop from front to back and remove your finger to create a new stitch. Use this increase to cast on underarm stitches.

Instructions

Neck and short rows

With yarn A and 3 mm needles cast on 104 (108, 112, 116, 120, 128, 132, 136) sts. Place a stitch marker (M) for beginning/end of round and prepare for joining in the round.

Work 8 rounds in rib as follows: k1, (p2, k2), repeat to last 3sts, p2, k1.

Switch to 3.5 mm needles.

Short row 1 (RS): k13 (13, 14, 14, 17, 17, 18, 18), w&t.

The wrapped st must be a purl st.

Short row 2 (WS): p26 (26, 28, 28, 34, 34, 36, 36), w&t. The wrapped st must be a knit st.

Short row 3 (RS): k to the wrapped st, k the wrapped st normally, leaving the wrap in place, k7, w&t.

Short row 4 (WS): p to the wrapped st, p the wrapped st normally, leaving the wrap in place, p7, w&t.

Repeat last two rows two more times. After the last w&t, k to M.

Yoke

Knit 1 round.

Knit an increasing round as follows. Find instructions for your size.

Size 1: (k2, M1inc, k3, M1inc) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 4sts, k4.

[40 sts increased; 144 total sts]

Size 2: (k2, M1inc) repeat 52 times in total, or to last 4sts, k4.



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[52 sts increased; 160 total sts]

Size 3: (k1, M1inc, k2, M1inc, k2, M1inc, k2, M1inc) repeat 16 times in total, or to the end of round.

[64 sts increased; 176 total sts]

Size 4: (k1, M1inc, k2, M1inc) repeat 38 times in total, or to last 2sts, k2.

[76 sts increased; 192 total sts]

Size 5: (k1, M1inc, k1, M1inc, k2, M1inc) repeat 29 times in total, or to last 4sts, k2, M1inc, k2.

[88 sts increased; 208 total sts]

Size 6: (k1, M1inc, k1, M1inc, k2, M1inc) repeat 32 times in total, or to the end of round.

[96 sts increased; 224 total sts]

Size 7: * (k1, M1inc) repeat 9 times in total, k2 **, repeat from * to ** 12 times in total, or to the end of round. [108 sts increased; 240 total sts]

Size 8: * (k1, M1inc) repeat 8 times in total, k1 **, repeat from * to ** 15 times in total, or to the last st, k1. [120 sts increased; 256 total sts]

Knit 0 (0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) rounds. Switch to 3.75mm needles.

Work from "Chart A". Work in stranded knitting, alternating yarns according to chart. Repeat chart 36 (40, 44, 48, 52, 56, 60, 64) times in each round. Increase where indicated in the chart, using the BLinc method (see "Abbreviations and stitches explanation").

At the end of "Chart A" you have 288 (320, 352, 384, 416, 448, 480, 512) total sts.

At the end of "Chart A" cut yarns B, C, D, E and proceed with yarn A. Switch to 3.5 mm needles.

Knit 1 round.

Knit a decreasing round as follows. Find instructions for your size.

Size 1: (k12, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 8sts, k8.

[20 sts decreased; 268 total sts]

Size 2: (k14, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to the end of round.

[20 sts decreased; 300 total sts]

Size 3: (k15, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 12sts, k12.

[20 sts decreased; 332 total sts]

Size 4: (k17, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 4sts, k4.

[20 sts decreased; 364 total sts]

Size 5: (k18, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 16sts, k16.

[20 sts decreased; 396 total sts]

Size 6: (k20, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 8sts, k8.

[20 sts decreased; 428 total sts]



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Size 7: (k22, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to the end of round.

[20 sts decreased; 460 total sts]

Size 8: (k23, k2tog) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 12sts, k12.

[20 sts decreased; 492 total sts]

Knit 1 (1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8) rounds.

Separation of body and sleeves

K 40 (45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75), place 54 (60, 66, 72, 78, 84, 90, 96) sts on a spare needle or on waste yarn, cast on (use the BLinc method) 9 (10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16) sts, k 80 (90, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150), place 54 (60, 66, 72, 78, 84, 90, 96) sts on a spare needle or on waste yarn, cast on 9 (10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16) sts, K 40 (45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75).

Now you have 178 (200, 222, 244, 266, 288, 310, 332) sts on working needles for the body.

Body

Knit 37 (40, 40, 40, 40, 42, 42, 43) rounds, or until work measures 13 (14, 14, 14, 14, 14.5, 14.5, 15) cm from armhole.

Knit an increasing round as follows. Find instructions for your size.

Size 1: (k12, M1inc, k13, M1inc) repeat 7 times in total, or to last 3sts, k3.

[14 sts increased; 192 total sts]

Size 2: (k12, M1inc, k13, M1inc) repeat 8 times in total, or to the end of round.

[16 sts increased; 216 total sts]

Size 3: (k12, M1inc) repeat 18 times in total, or to last 6sts, k6.

[18 sts increased; 240 total sts]

Size 4: (k12, M1inc) repeat 20 times in total, or to last 4sts, k4.

[20 sts increased; 264 total sts]

Size 5: (k12, M1inc) repeat 22 times in total, or to last 2sts, k2.

[22 sts increased; 288 total sts]

Size 6: (k12, M1inc) repeat 24 times in total, or to the end of round.

[24 sts increased; 312 total sts]

Size 7: (k12, M1inc) repeat 25 times in total, or to last 10sts, k10, M1inc.

[26 sts increased; 336 total sts]

Size 8: (k12, M1inc) repeat 27 times in total, or to last 8sts, k8, M1inc.

[28 sts increased; 360 total sts]

For all sizes, switch to 3.75mm needles.

Work from "Chart B". Work in stranded knitting, alternating yarns according to chart. Repeat chart 24 (27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 42, 45) times in each round.

At the end of "Chart B" cut yarns B, C, D, E and proceed with yarn A. Switch to 3 mm needles.

Knit 1 round.

Knit 12 rounds in rib: (k2, p2) repeat to the end of round.

Bind off in pattern.

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Sleeves

Move the stitches from one stitch holder to 3.5 mm working needles. Pick up one st for each underarm st and place a stitch marker (M) for beginning/end of round in the middle as follows: pick up 5 (5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8) sts, place M, pick up 4 (5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8) sts.

Now you have 63 (70, 77, 84, 91, 98, 105, 112) sts on working needles for the first sleeve.

Knit 7 (7, 5, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4) plain rounds.

Knit a decreasing round as follows: k2, skp, k to last 4sts, k2tog, k2. [2sts decreased]

Repeat these two steps (a size-specific number of plain rounds followed by a decreasing round) for 7 (8, 10, 11, 11, 12, 14, 15) times in total. [49 (54, 57, 62, 69, 74, 77, 82) total sts]

Knit 9 (4, 8, 5, 5, 1, 3, 1) rounds, or until sleeve measures 23 (24, 24, 25, 25, 26, 26, 27) cm from armhole.

Knit one round with 3 (2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2) increases evenly spaced. Use the M1inc method.

[52 (56, 60, 64, 72, 76, 80, 84) total sts]

Switch to 3.75 mm needles.

Work from "Chart B". Work in stranded knitting, alternating yarns according to chart. In each round repeat the complete chart 6 (7, 7, 8, 9, 9, 10, 10) times, then, only for sizes 1, 3, 6 and 8, repeat the first 4sts of the chart once more.

At the end of "Chart B" cut yarns B, C, D, E and proceed with yarn A. Switch to 3 mm needles.

Knit 1 round.

Work a decreasing round as follows. Find instructions for your size.

Size 1: (k2tog, k4, k2tog, k5) repeat 4 times in total, or to the end of round.

[8 sts decreased; 44 total sts]

Size 2: (k2tog, k2, k2tog, k3) repeat 6 times in total, or to last 2sts, k2.

[12 sts decreased; 44 total sts]

Size 3: (k2tog, k3) repeat 12 times in total, or to the end of round.

[12 sts decreased; 48 total sts]

Size 4: (k2tog, k2) repeat 16 times in total, or to the end of round.

[16 sts decreased; 48 total sts]

Size 5: (k2tog, k2, k2tog, k1) repeat 10 times in total, or to last 2sts, k2.

[20 sts decreased; 52 total sts]

Size 6: (k2tog, k1) repeat 24 times in total, or to last 4sts, k4.

[24 sts decreased; 52 total sts]

Size 7: * (k2tog, k1) repeat 6 times in total, k2 **, repeat from * to ** 4 times in total, or to the end of round. [24 sts decreased; 56 total sts]

Size 8: (k2tog, k2, k2tog, k1) repeat 12 times in total, or to the end of round.

[24 sts decreased; 60 total sts]

For all sizes: knit 25 rounds in rib: (k2, p2), repeat to the end of round.

Bind off in rib.

Knit the second sleeve in the same way.

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NOTES FOR READING CHARTS CORRECTLY. Each square represents a stitch. Charts must be read from the bottom up and from right to left. The key is the same for all charts. Make BLinc with col C

KEY

- k (col A)
- p (col A)
- k (col B)
- p (col B)
- k (col C)
- p (col C)
- ∞ BL inc (col C)
- k (col D)
- p (col D)
- k (col E)
- p (col E)

CHART A

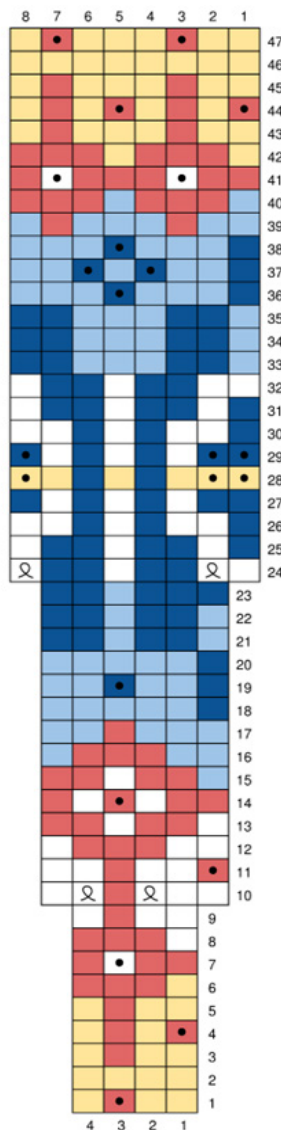


CHART B

