

Simple crew-neck sweater

This sweater introduces picking up stitches for a neckline as well as setting in sleeves. The variations in stitches show how you can easily adapt a pattern to fit in a stitch that you adore.



Yarn

BABY SIZE

- Debbie Bliss Baby Cashmerino, 55% merino wool/33% microfiber/12% cashmere 50 g (3½ oz), 125 m (136 yd)
- 3(5:6:7) balls of shade 003, Mint

ADULT SIZE

- Cascades 220 Sport, 100% Peruvian highland wool, 50 g (3½ oz), 150 m (164 yd)
- 9(9:10:11:12:13) balls of shade 8400, Grey



Tension

- Approx 24 sts and 32 rows to 10 cm (4 in) over st st using a size 5 (3.75 mm) needle; approx 24 sts and 30 rows to 10 cm (4 in) over basket weave using a size 9 (3.75 mm) needle



Sundries

- Pair each of size 9 (3.75 mm) and size 4 (3.5 mm) needles
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch holders

Instructions

Note

Child and female sizes are stocking stitch. Adult male sizes can be worked in either st st or basketweave pattern. Basketweave worked over a multiple of 12 sts: plus 6 (adult sizes).

Basketweave pattern

Back

- Row 1:** (k6,p6) to last 6 sts, k6.
- Row 2:** (p6,k6) to last 6 sts, p6.
- Row 3–8:** rep rows 1–2 three times.
- Row 9:** rep row 2.
- Row 10:** rep row 1.
- Rows 11–16:** rep rows 9–10 three times.

Front

- Row 1:** (p6,k6) to last 6 sts, p6.
- Row 2:** (k6,p6) to last 6 sts, k6.
- Rows 3–8:** rep rows 1–2 three times.
- Row 9:** rep row 2.
- Row 10:** rep row 1.
- Rows 11–16:** rep rows 9–10 three times.

Pattern starts

Back

Using size 4 (3.5 mm) needles, cast on 61(77:81:85:109:113:121:125:137:149) sts and work in 1 x 1 rib for 8 cm (3 in), increasing 1 st at end of last row. 62(78:82:86:110:114:122:126:138:150) sts.

Change to larger needle and work in either stockinette stitch or basket weave until back measures 30(33:35:40:55:57:60:65:67:69) cm/12(13:14:15%:21%:22½:23%:25½:26½:27¼) in long, ending with a WS row.



Measurements

BABY SIZE

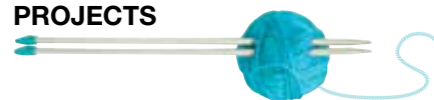
| | XS | S | M | L |
|--------------|----|-----|-----|-----|
| To fit chest | | | | |
| cm | 46 | 56 | 61 | 66 |
| in | 18 | 22 | 24 | 26 |
| Actual size | | | | |
| cm | 51 | 65 | 68 | 71 |
| in | 20 | 25½ | 26¾ | 28 |
| Length | | | | |
| cm | 30 | 33 | 35 | 40 |
| in | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15¾ |
| Sleeve seam | | | | |
| cm | 21 | 29 | 31 | 33 |
| in | 8¼ | 11½ | 12¼ | 13 |

ADULT FEMALE

| | S | M | L |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|
| To fit chest | | | |
| cm | 84 | 89 | 94 |
| in | 33 | 35 | 37 |
| Actual size | | | |
| cm | 91 | 95 | 101 |
| in | 36 | 37½ | 39¾ |
| Length | | | |
| cm | 55 | 57 | 60 |
| in | 21½ | 22½ | 23½ |
| Sleeve seam | | | |
| cm | 48 | 50 | 54 |
| in | 19 | 19¾ | 21 |

ADULT MALE

| | S | M | L |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|
| To fit chest | | | |
| cm | 99 | 107 | 117 |
| in | 39 | 42 | 46 |
| Actual size | | | |
| cm | 105 | 115 | 125 |
| in | 41½ | 45¼ | 49¼ |
| Length | | | |
| cm | 65 | 67 | 69 |
| in | 25½ | 26½ | 27¼ |
| Sleeve seam | | | |
| cm | 56 | 58 | 60 |
| in | 22 | 23 | 23¾ |



Cast off 17(23:25:26:35:35:38:38:43:47) sts, patt across 28(32:32:34:40:44:46:50:52:56) sts, place these 28(32:32:34:40:44:46:50:52:56) sts on a holder for back, cast off rem sts.

Front

Using size 4 (3.5 mm) needles, cast on 61(77:81:85:109:113:121:125:137:149) sts and work in 1 x 1 rib for 8 cm (3 in), increasing 1 st at end of last row. 62(78:82:86:110:114:122:126:138:150) sts.

Change to larger needles and work in either stockinette stitch or basket weave until back measures 25(28:30:34:49:51:54:58:60:62) cm/10(11:12:13¼:19¼:20:21¼:23:23¾:24½) in long, ending with a WS row.

Next row: patt across 40(50:52:55:69:72:76:78:86:94) sts, place last 18(22:22:24:28:30:30:30:34:38) sts on to a holder, patt to end.

Cont on these 22(28:30:31:41:42:46:48:52:56) sts for right neck as folls:

Child and adult female sizes only

Row 1: patt to end.

Adult male sizes only

Row 1: patt to end, dec 1 st at end of row.

Row 2: cast off 3 sts, patt to end.

Row 3: patt to end, dec 1 st at end of row.

All sizes

Cont in pattern for right neck, decreasing 1 st at neck edge of next and every following RS row until 17(23:25:26:35:35:38:38:43:47) sts rem.

Work straight on these sts until front measures the same as back, ending with a WS row.

Cast off all sts.

Rejoin yarn to left neck and work to match right side, reversing all shaping.

Sleeves

Using size 4 (3.5 mm) needles, cast on 33(37:39:43:49:53:57:59:63:69) sts and work 3(3:4:5:6:7:8:8:8) cm/1¼(1¼:1½:2:2½:2¾:3:3:3) in 1 x 1 rib.

Child sizes only

Change to larger needles and work in st st, increasing 1 st at both ends of next and every foll 3rd(4th:4th:4th) row until 71(79:81:85) sts.

All adult sizes only

Change to larger needles and work in st st, increasing 1 st at both ends of 5th and every foll 6th row until 93(97:103:109:115:123) sts.

All sizes

Cont working straight until sleeve measures 21(29:31:33:48:50:54:56:58:60) cm/8¼(11½:12¼:13:19:19½:21¼:22:22¾:23¾) in long.

Cast off all sts.

Finishing

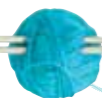
Seam together left shoulder seam, then pick up stitches for neck as follows:

Using smaller needles, with RSF, attach yarn to back neck and work across k28(32:32:34:40:44:46:50:52:56) sts on holder for back neck, pick up and knit 12(12:12:14:14:14:14:16:16:17) sts down left front, knit 18(22:22:24:28:30:30:30:34:38) sts from holder for front neck and pick up and knit 12(12:12:14:14:14:14:16:16:17) sts up right front. 70(78:78:86:96:102:104:112:118:128) sts.

Work on these sts in 1 x 1 rib for 4 rows.

Cast off loosely in rib.

Seam up rem shoulder and neck seam, set in sleeves, and then sew up side seam and underarm seam in one go, either side.



Double-breasted cardigan

A fabulously classic and practical little number, this cardigan uses the pretty moss stitch border for a little bit of texture and to create a flat front.



Yarn

- Malabrigo Twist, 100% baby merino wool, 100 g (7 oz), 137 m (150 yd)
- 7(8:9:10) skeins of shade 076, Manzanilla Olive



Measurements

ADULT FEMALE

| | S | M | L |
|--------------|-------|-------|---------|
| To fit chest | | | |
| cm | 81–86 | 91–97 | 112–117 |
| in | 32–34 | 36–38 | 40–42 |
| Actual size | | | |
| cm | 90 | 100 | 110 |
| in | 35 | 39 | 43 |
| Length | | | |
| cm | 54 | 56 | 59 |
| in | 21½ | 22½ | 23½ |
| Sleeve seam | | | |
| cm | 32 | 34 | 36 |
| in | 12½ | 13½ | 14 |

Tension

- 17 sts and 22 rows to 10 cm (4 in)



Sundries

- 1 pair each of size 5 (5.5 mm) and size 6 (5 mm) needles
- 6 buttons, approximately 1.5 cm (½ in) diameter
- Sewing needle and matching thread
- Tapestry needle

Instructions

Moss stitch

Row 1 (RS): k1, (p1, k1) to end of row.
Rep row 1 for pattern.

Important

When working in moss st, be careful when decreasing – make sure you continue in correct moss st pattern; you may not begin every row with a knit depending on how many you have decreased.

Back

Using smaller needles, cast on 78(86:94:102) sts and work in 2 x 2 rib for 8 cm (3 in) as folls:

Row 1: k2, (p2, k2) to end of row.

Row 2: p2, (k2, p2) to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows for pattern, ending with a row 2.

Change to larger needles and work straight in st st beg with a k row until work measures 35(36:38:39) cm/14(14¼:15:15½) in, ending with a p row.

Shape armholes

Cast off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at both ends of next 4(4:6:8) rows. 60(68:72:76) sts.

Now decrease 1 st at both ends of every alternate RS row until 54(60:64:68) sts rem.

Work straight in st st until work measures 19(20:21:23) cm/7½(8:8¼:9) in from armhole shaping, ending with a p row.

Cast off 6(7:7:8) sts at beg of next 4 rows, leave rem 30(32:36:36) sts on holder for back neck.

