



# THE COLOR EVOLUTION



## OPEN CARDIGAN

### MATERIALS

Poema Stripes by Laines du Nord: 3 (3, 3) x 150g balls in color 05  
Circular needles size US6/4mm (32"/80cm and 16"/40cm long)  
Cable needle  
Stitch marker  
Darning needle  
Scissors  
Tape measure

### GAUGE

22 stitches and 33 rows = 4"/10cm square in stocking st.  
using size US6/4mm knitting needles.

### ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of work  
WS = wrong side of work  
SM = stitch marker  
SMb = stitch marker of the beginning of the round  
st. / sts. = stitch / stitches  
col. = color  
k = knit  
r. = row / rows  
tog = together  
rep. = repeat / repeating  
p = purl  
cont. = continue / continuing  
foll. = follow / following  
sl1 p-wise = slip 1 stitch purl-wise.  
sl1 k-wise = slip 1 stitch knit-wise.  
Cross 3 L = cross 3 stitches to the left (slip 2 stitches onto a cable needle and leave at front of work, p1, then knit 2 stitches from cable needle).  
Cross 3 R = cross 3 stitches to the right (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle and leave at back of work, k2, then purl the stitch from cable needle).  
Cross 2 L = cross 2 stitches to the left (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, k1, then knit the stitch from the cable needle).  
Cross 2 R = cross 2 stitches to the right (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, k1 then knit the stitch from the cable needle).

### NOTES

The instructions below refer to sizes S (M, L), where the number before the brackets refers to size S, while the numbers inside the brackets refer to sizes M-L.

**SIZES:** S (M, L)

### MEASURES OF GARMENT

Size shown by the picture: S  
**Width:** 40 (41½, 43)"/101 (105, 109)cm  
**Length:** 20 (21, 22)"/51 (53, 56)cm  
**Sleeve Length:** 15½ (16, 16½)"/39 (41, 42)cm

### STITCHES USED

#### K2/P2 in rounds

**Round 1:** \* K3, P2, rep from \* to end.

Rep round 1.

#### Stocking stitch in rounds

Knit all rounds.

#### Stocking stitch in rows

**Row 1: (RS)** Knit to end

**Row 2:** Purl to end.

Rep these 2 rows.

### INSTRUCTIONS

#### FRONT AND BACK worked in one piece UNTIL THE ARMHOLES

Using Poema yarn, and circular needles size US6/4mm (32"/80cm cable), cast-on 264 (272, 280) sts and work 28 rows in K2, P2, rib as follows:

**1st r. (RS):** sl1 k-wise, k2 \*p2, k2 rep from \* to the last 5 sts, p2, k3

**2nd r. (WS):** sl1 p-wise, p2 \*k2, p2 rep from \* to the last 5 sts, k2, p3

**From 3rd to 6th r.:** rep. 1st and 2nd row.

**7th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, \*cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2, rep from \* to the last 3sts, k3

**8th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, k3, \* p4, k4, rep from \* to the last 10 sts, p4, k3, p3

**9th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, \*cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4, rep from \* to the last 10 sts, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p3, k3

**10th r.:** rep. the 8th row.

**11th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, \* cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p4, rep from \* to the last 10 sts, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p3, k3

**12th r.:** rep. the 8th row.

**13th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, \* cross 3 R, cross 3 L, p2, rep from \* to the last 3 sts, k3

**14th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, \*k2, p2, rep from \* to the last 5 sts, k2, p3

**15th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, \* p2, k2, rep from \* to the last 5 sts, p2, k3

**16th and 17th r.:** rep. 14th and 15th row.

**18th r.:** rep. the 14th row.

**From 19th to 28th r.:** rep. from 7th to 16th round.

Place SM as foll.:

**For size S:** 21 band sts +44 sts (65 sts for the right front), place a SM, 134 sts for the back, 44+ 21 band sts (65 sts for the left front).

**For size M:** 21 band sts +46 sts (67 sts for the right front), place as a SM, 138 sts. for the back, 46+21 band sts (67 sts for the left front)

**For size L:** 21 band sts +48 sts (69 sts for the right front), place a SM, 142 sts. for the back, 48+21 band sts (69 sts for the left front)

Cont. as foll.:

**1st r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, [p2, k2] 4 times, p2, knit until 10 sts before the SM, k2tog, k8, move the SM, k8 k2tog, turn.

**2nd r.:** p17, p2tog, p8, turn.

**3rd r.:** k25., k2tog, k8, turn.

**4th r.:** p33, p2tog, p8, turn.

**5th r.:** k41, k2tog, k8, turn.

**6th r.:** p49, p2tog, p8, turn.

**7th r.:** k57, k2tog, k8, turn.

**8th r.:** p65, p2tog, p8, turn.

**9th r.:** k73, k2tog, k8, turn.

**10th r.:** p81, p2tog, p8, turn.

**11th r.:** k89, k2tog, k8, turn.

**12th r.:** p97, p2tog, p8, turn.

**13th r.:** k105, k2tog, k8, turn.

**14th r.:** p113, p2tog, p8, turn.  
**15th r.:** k121, k2tog, k8, turn.  
**16th r.:** p129, p2tog, p8, turn.  
**17th r.:** k137, k2tog, k8, turn.  
**18th r.:** p145, p2tog, p8, turn.  
**19th r.:** k153, k2tog, k8, turn.  
**20th r.:** p161, p2tog, p8, turn.  
**21st r.:** k169, k2tog, k8, turn.  
**22nd r.:** p177, p2tog, p8, turn.  
**23rd r.:** k185, k2tog, knit until 21 sts from the end, p2, \* k2, p2, rep from \* until 5 sts rem, k2, p3 turn.  
**24th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, [k2, p2] 5 times, purl until 21 sts rem, K2, [p2, k2] 4 times, p3 [240 (248, 256)]

Cont. as foll.:

**25th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, [cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2] twice, knit until 21 sts. from the end, p2, [cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2] twice, k3

**26th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, k3, p4, k4, p4, k3, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k3, p4, k4, p4, k3, p3

**27th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p3, knit until 21 sts. from the end, p3, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p3, k3

**28th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, k3, p4, k4, p4, k3, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k3, p4, k4, p4, k3, p3

**29th r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p4, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, knit until 21 sts. from the end, p3, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p4, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p3, k3

**30th r.:** like 28th row.

**31st r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, [cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2] twice, knit until 21 sts. from the end, p2, [cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2] twice, k3

**32nd r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, [k2, p2] 4 times, k2, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k2, [p2, k2] 4 times, p3

**33rd r.:** sl1 k-wise, k2, [p2, k2] 4 times, p2, knit until 21 sts. from the end, [p2, k2] 4 times, p2, k3

**34th r.:** sl1 p-wise, p2, [k2, p2] 4 times, k2, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k2, [p2, k2] 4 times, p3

**35th and 36th r.:** like 33rd and 34th row.

Rep. from 25th to 36th row until 80 (84, 88) rows worked. (or required length) AT THE SAME TIME decr. 1 st. (from the ribbed edge) every 8 rows beg on the 37th row.

At 81 (85, 89) r. divide for back and fronts as foll.:

**For size S:** 21+38 sts. for the right front, SM, 110 sts. for the back, SM, 38+21 for the left front.

**For size M:** 21+40 sts. for the right front, SM, 114 sts. for the back, SM, 40+21 for the left front.

**For size L:** 21+42 sts. for the right front, SM, 118 sts. for the back, SM, 42+21 for the left front.

Cont working 3 pieces separately working band pattern and decreases as set work as foll.:

## RIGHT FRONT

**Row 81 (85, 89):** Patt as set 21 sts for band, knit to end.

**Row 82 (86, 90):** purl to the last 21sts, patt 21 sts.

Rep the row 81 (85, 89) and row 82 (86-90) until 142 (146, 150) rows worked.

**Next row (RS):** patt 21 sts turn and put rem sts on a st holder for shoulder.

Cont on rem 21 sts until work measures across to centre back neck. Put sts onto a st holder.

## BACK

Rejoin yarn to the back sts and work as follows:

**Row 81 (85, 89):** knit to end.

**Row 82 (86, 90):** purl to end.

Rep the row 81 (85, 89) and the row 82 (86, 90) until 142 (146, 150) rows worked.

Put sts on a st holder.

## LEFT FRONT

Rejoin yarn to left front sts and work as follows:

**Row 81 (85, 89):** knit until 21 sts. from the end, patt as set 21 sts.

**Row 82 (86, 90):** patt 21 sts, purl to end.

Rep the row 81 (85, 89) and row 82 (86, 90) until 142 (146, 150) rows worked.

**Next row (RS):** Knit until 21 sts rem and the slip these sts onto a st holder, cont in patt on rem 21 sts until work measures across to centre back neck. Put sts onto a st holder.

## SHOULDERS AND COLLAR FINISHING

Join/graft shoulder seams. Join right and left front band sts at center back neck and sew to back neck sts.

## SLEEVES

Using size US6/4mm circular needles (16"/40cm long), pick-up 100 sts evenly around armhole edge. Close in the round and place the SMB in the center of undersleeve.

**1st round:** knit until SMB.

**From round 2 to round 100 (106, 112):** rep. the 1st round, incr. 12 sts evenly across the last round.

Work cuff in K2, P2 rib as follows:

**From 1st to 4th round:** p1 \* k2, p2, rep from \* until 3 sts. before the SMB, k2, p1

**5th round:** p1, \*cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2, rep from \* until 7 sts. before the SMB, cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p1.

**6th round:** p2, \*k4, p4, rep from \* until 6 sts before the SMB, k4, p2

**7th round:** p2, \*cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4, rep from \* until 6 sts before the SMB, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p2

**8th round:** like 6th round.

**9th round:** p2, \*cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p4, rep from \* until 6 sts before the SMB, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p2

**10th round:** like 6th round.

**11th round:** p1, \*cross 3 R, cross 3 L, p, rep from \* until 7 sts before the SMB, cross 3 R, cross 3 L, p1.

**From 12th to 16th round:** p1, \*k2, p2, rep from \* until 3 sts before the SMB, k2, p1.

Rep. from 5th to 16th round once more.

Cast off.

## FINISHING

Sew in all loose threads.