



THE COLOR EVOLUTION



OPEN CARDIGAN

MATERIALS

Poema Stripes by Laines du Nord: 3 x 150g balls in color 05
Interchangeable circular needles size US6/4mm points, 32"/80cm cable.

Short points circular needles size US6/4mm points, 16"/40cm cable.

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, measured after blocking.

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

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

rep. = repeat / repeating

p = purl

cont. = continue / continuing

follow. = 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, let cable needle hang in front of work, p1, then knit 2 stitches off of cable needle).

Cross 3 R = cross 3 stitches to the right (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle, let cable needle hang in back of work, k2, then purl the stitch off of cable needle).

Cross 2 L = cross 2 stitches to the left (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle, let cable needle hang in front of work, k1, knit the stitch off of cable needle).

Cross 2 R = cross 2 stitches to the right (slip 1 stitch onto a cable needle, let cable needle hang in back of work, k1, knit the stitch off of cable needle).

NOTES

Work the garment bottom-up in one piece, until reaching the armholes. Divide in 2 parts and continue working separately up to the shoulders, which you will join in graft st. using the darning needle. Work the opening edges at the same time as the 2 fronts. Then work in round the sleeves around the armholes.

The instructions below refer to sizes S (M-L), where the number before the parentheses corresponds to size S, while the numbers into the parentheses refer to sizes M-L.

SIZES: S (M-L)

MEASURES OF GARMENT

Size shown by the picture: S

Chest circumference: 38"/96cm

Total height: 20"/51cm

Height from undersleeve: 12"/31cm

Circumference of top part of sleeve: 16½"/42cm

Length from undersleeve: 17"/43cm

STITCHES USED

Patterned rib 2/2. Stocking stitch in back-and-forth rows.

Stocking stitch in rounds.

INSTRUCTIONS

FRONT AND BACK UNTIL THE ARMHOLES

Using circular needles with size US6/4mm points and 32"/80cm cable, cast-on 264 (272-280) sts. and work. 28 rows in patterned rib 2/2 as follow:

1st r. (RS): sl1 k-wise, k2 (p2, k2) rep. until 5 sts. from the end, p2, k3.

2nd r. (WS): sl1 p-wise, p2 (k2, p2) rep. until 5 sts. from the end, k2, p3.

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

7th r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, (cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2) rep. until 3 sts. from the end, k3.

8th r.: sl1 p-wise, p2, k3, (p4, k4) rep. until 10 sts. from the end, p4, k3, p3.

9th r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, (cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4) rep. until 10 sts. from the end, cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p3, k3.

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

11th r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, p3, (cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p4) rep. until 10 sts. from the end, cross 2 L, cross 2 R, p3, k3.

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

13th r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, p2, (cross 3 R, cross 3 L, p2) rep. until 3 sts. from the end, k3.

14th r.: sl1 p-wise, p2, (k2, p2) rep. until 5 sts. from the end, k2, p3.

15th r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, (p2, k2) rep. until 5 sts. from the end, p2, k3.

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

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

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

Set out the working placing 1 SM as foll.:

For size S: 21 44 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 134 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 44 21 for the left front.

For size M: 21 46 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 138 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 46 21 for the left front.

For size L: 21 48 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 142 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 48 21 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. until 5 sts. from the end, k2, p3 turn.
24th r.: sl1 p-wise, p2, (k2, p2) 5 times, purl until 21 sts. from the end, (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, lav. a dir. 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 r.

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

32nd r.: sl1 p-wise, p2, (k2, p2) per 4 times, k2, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k2, (p2, k2) 4 times, p3.

33rd r.: sl1 k-wise, k2, (p2, k2) per 4 times, p2, knit until 21 sts. from the end, (p2, k2) 4 times, p2, k3.

34th r.: sl1 p-wise, p2, (k2, p2) per 4 times, k2, purl until 21 sts. from the end, k2, (p2, k2) 4 times, p3.

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

Rep. from 25th to 36th r. until the end of 80 (84-88) r. or until needed length; at the same time decr. 1 st. (from the ribbed edge) every 8 r., beg. from 37th r.

At 81 (85-89) r. divide the panel in 3 pieces as foll.:

For size S: 21 38 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 110 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 38 21 for the left front.

For size M: 21 40 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 114 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 40 21 for the left front.

For size L: 21 42 sts. for the right front, 1 SM, 118 sts. for the back, 1 SM, 42 21 for the left front.

Cont. working 3 pieces separately, foll. the settings of bands and fronts decreases, then work as foll.:

RIGHT FRONT

Row 81 (85-89): 21 sts. for the band (like set out), knit until the end of r.

Row 82 (86-90): purl until 21 sts. from the end, 21 sts. for the band (like set out).

Rep. the row 81 (85-89) and row 82 (86-90) until the end of row 142 (146-150).

Leave the sts. of front and cont. working only the sts. of the band, as length as half of back neckline, then leave these sts. too.

BACK

Row 81 (85-89): knit until the end of r.

Row 82 (86-90): purl until the end of r.

Rep. the row 81 (85-89) and the row 82 (86-90) until the end of row 142 (146-150), then leave the sts.

LEFT FRONT

Row 81 (85-89): knit until 21 sts. from the end, 21 sts. for the band, like set out.

Row 82 (86-90): 21 sts. for the band, like set out, purl until the end of r.

Rep. the row 81 (85-89) and row 82 (86-90) until the end of row 142 (146-150).

Leave the sts. of the front and cont. working only the sts. of the band, as length as half of back neckline, then leave these sts. too.

SHOULDERS AND COLLAR FINISHING

Join the stitches of the shoulders (front and back) you have left.

Join the stitches of the band in graft st., shaping a single band (closed at back center), then sew the band on back neckline.

SLEEVES

Using size US6/4mm points and 40 cm cable, pick-up 100 sts. around the armhole. Close in 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. across last round, uniformly.

Cont. working the band (cuff) in patterned rib 2/2 as foll.:

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

5th round: p1, (cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p2) rep. until 7 sts. before the SMB, cross 3 L, cross 3 R, p1.

6th round: p2, (k4, p4) rep. until 6 sts. prima del MG, k4, p2.

7th round: p2, (cross 2 R, cross 2 L, p4) rep. 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. 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, p2) rep. until 7 sts. before the SMB, cross 3 R, cross 3 L, p1.

From 12th to 16th round: p1, (k2, p2) rep. until 3 sts. before the SMB, k2, p1.

Rep. from 5th to 16th round, then bind off all sts. loosely.

FINISHING

Hide the ends. Wet and block.