

KANT SWEATER

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SIZE

XS (S) M (L) XL (XXL)
Sweater bust circ.: 90 (100) 110 (120) 130 (140) cm
Positive ease ca. 15 cm

YARN

ORGANIC SOFT MERINO (225 m/50 g)
Spiritual 1051: 100 (100) 100 (150) 150 (150)g
Charming 1029: 150 (150) 200 (200) 200 (250)g

ORGANIC BRUSHED ALPACA (225/ 25g)
Spiritual 2051: 50 (50) 50 (75) 75 (75) g
Charming 2029: 75 (75) 100 (100) 100 (125) g

GAUGE

12 sts x 18 rows/rounds/ 9 mm in stockinette
2 strands of Merino + 2 strands of Alpaca held together.

SUGGESTED NEEDLES

Circulars 7 + 9 mm - 60 cm / 80 cm
Double pointed needles 7 + 9 mm or magic loop

KANT SWEATER is a chunky, cropped sweater with three-quarter long sleeves. "Kant" means 'edge' in Danish and refers to the edges and color block look that this design enhances.

The sweater is knit top-down with increases down the front, back and on top of the shoulders and short rows are then used to shape the body and sleeves.

KANT is a fast project to knit on large needles and has very little finishing. The mix of Merino and Alpaca makes the sweater very soft and gives it a bit of drape.

Yarn Alternative:

Chunky Andean Wool, 1 strand held together with Organic Brushed Alpaca, 1 strand.

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ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit

p = purl

st(s) = stitch(es)

inc-st = increase stitch. The stitch in between your inc-R and inc-L increases.

M = Stitch marker(s)

BOR = Beginning of Round

inc = increase(s)

dec = decrease(s)

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

ssk = slip, slip, knit. Slip 2 stitches knitwise one by one and knit them together through the back loop

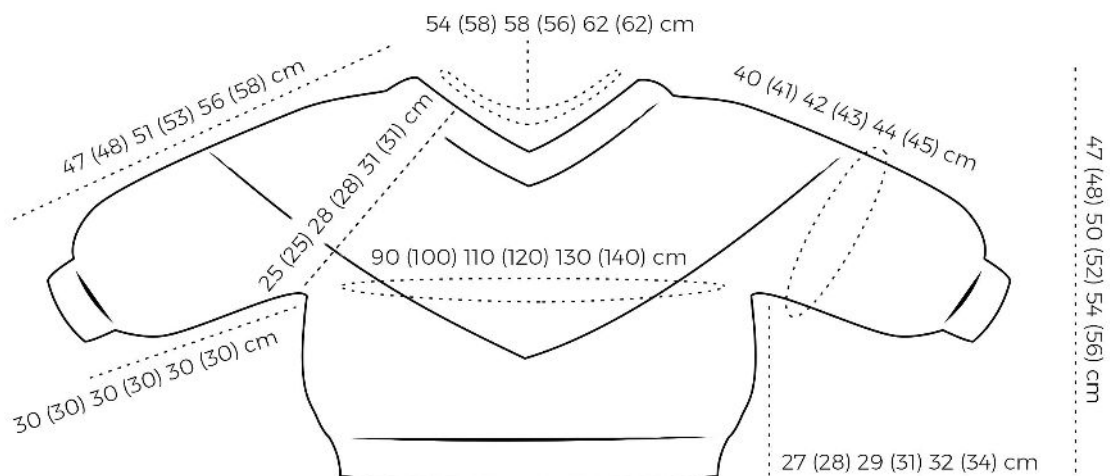
inc-st = Increase stitch, the stitch in the middle of inc-R and inc-L. Always knit stockinette.

inc-R = Increase. Stitch leg points to the right. Insert the left needle from the back and pick up the bar between the two sts below. Knit the front leg of the loop (if the ribbing dictates: purl the st)

inc-L = Increase. Stitch leg points to the left. Insert the left needle from the front, pick up the bar between the two sts below. Knit the back leg of the loop (if the ribbing dictates: purl the st)

MF/MB = middle of front/middle of back

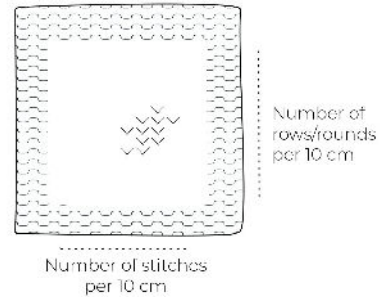
German Short Rows = After a turn, slip the first stitch purlwise with yarn in front. Bring the yarn to the back and pull it tightly so that both legs of the stitch in the row below are on the needle, creating a double stitch. This double stitch is always counted as 1 stitch. When you knit this stitch, make sure to knit both legs of the stitch as you would knit one st.



GAUGE SWATCH

For a good result, you need to make a gauge swatch. The sweater may not fit you if the gauge is off and many hours of work are wasted. A difference of a single stitch per 10 cm can easily give a difference of 5-10 cm on the finished sweater, which corresponds to 1-2 sizes.

The gauge describes how many stitches you must have per 10 cm horizontally on the swatch, and how many rows/rounds you must have per 10 cm vertically. If the number of stitches on your sample is too large compared to the pattern, switch to a larger needle. Switch to a smaller needle if the number of stitches is too low.

**PATTERN**

Knit the whole sweater with 4 strands of yarn held together, 2 strands of Merino and 2 strands of Brushed Alpaca. Cast on 72 (80) 80 (80) 88 (88) sts on circular needle size 7 mm / 60 cm with Color 1 using Long tail Cast On. Make sure to cast on tightly (the yarn around the thumb is tightened for each stitch) to avoid the hem stretching in use.

Place a stitch marker to mark the beginning of the round (BOR) and join in the round

Increases for the body and sleeves start in the neck ribbing. Knit the very first round while placing 8 new stitch markers (M) to mark the 4 increase sts (inc sts) that you will increase on each side of:

XS (S) L (XL):

6 (6) 4 (4) sts ribbing (k 1, p 1), M,
k 1, M, 17 (19) 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 17 (19) 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 17 (19) 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 11 (13) 15 (17) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*)

M (XXL):

5 (3) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 19 (21) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*), M,
k 1, M, 14 (18) sts ribbing (p 1, *k 1, p 1*)

Begin inc on the next round and repeat on every second round:

Inc-R before the first M at the inc-stitch and inc-L after the last M of the same inc-stitch - 8 new sts are added for every inc round. The inc-sts in the middle of 2 markers are always knit in stockinette st and the new stitches are knit or purled as it matches the rib pattern. Knit in total 8 rounds of ribbing (4 inc rounds) [104 (112) 112 (112) 120 (120) sts].

Switch to circular needles size 9 mm and continue knitting stockinette sts in the round, while making inc on both sides of the inc-sts as before. Knit in total (count from cast on) 16 (17) 19 (22) 22 (23) inc rounds. Last round is an inc round. [200 (216) 232 (256) 272 (272) sts]

Knit the next round in COLOR 2. On your second round with COLOR 2 slip the 1 st purlwise to make a jogless transition. Continue knitting in the round and increase for 3 (3) 3 (2) 2 (4) more rounds - last round is an inc round (total inc rounds: 19 (20) 22 (24) 25 (27)).

[224 (240) 256 (272) 288 (304) sts]

BODY

Separate sleeves from body on the next round and cast on new sts under the sleeves. Place the sleeve stitches and their markers on stitch holders or leftover yarn:

Place 51 (53) 55 (57) 59 (61) sts on leftover yarn (right sleeve), cast on 4 sts,
knit 61 (67) 73 (79) 85 (91) sts (back),
place 51 (53) 55 (57) 59 (61) sts on leftover yarn (left sleeve), cast on 4 sts,
knit 61 (67) 73 (79) 85 (91) sts (front).
[130 (142) 154 (166) 178 (190) sts]

Move BOR in the middle of the new sts under the right sleeve. This marker is now referred to as "M-Right". Place another M under the left sleeve (M-Left). Make sure to have: 67 (71) 77 (83) 89 (95) sts on both front and back side.

Knit 11 (13) 13 (13) 15 (15) rounds in stockinette or more if you want the sweater a bit longer. The finished sweater will measure 4 cm more (the length of the hem) than MF/MB.

When you have the desired length, knit 1 more round but stop 27 (28) 32 (33) 35 (37) sts before M-Right.

GERMAN SHORT ROWS BODY

To shape the body of the sweater we decrease in both sides of the sweater and use German Short Rows to make the sides of the sweater longer. We start shaping around M-right

Short rows:

1 Row (knit side): k 25 (26) 30 (31) 33 (35), ssk, M-Right, k2tog, k 25 (26) 30 (31) 33 (35) , turn

2 Row (purl side): p 50 (52) 60 (62) 66 (70), turn

(The first stitch after a turn, is always pulled to a double stitch as described in the abbreviations)

Repeat these two short rows 8 times in total, by turning 2 sts before the last turn. The turning stitch is counted as 1 of these 2 sts. (There are 8 turns on each side of M-Right).

After the last turn knit all double sts/turn sts on the front. Stop 27 (28) 32 (33) 35 (37) sts before M-Left and repeat the short rows around M-Left.

After the last turn, knit to M-Right (BOR). Knit one more round to knit all double sts. [98 (110) 122 (134) 146 (158) sts]
Switch to circulars 7 mm and knit 9 rounds of rib sts (k 1, p 1). Bind off in rib st.

SLEEVE

Place the sts from one of the sleeves on circular/ double pointed needles 9 mm. Knit up 4 new sts in the cast on sts of the body and place BOR in the middle of the new sts. [55 (57) 59 (61) 63 (65) sts]

Knit 1 round until 2 sts before BOR.

Increases are continued on both sides of the inc stitch as on the yoke. Decreases are made on both sides of BOR. To make the decreases symmetrical the first dec is made with the last 2 sts of the round before:

Round 1: ssk, BOR, k2tog, knit and inc around the inc stitch and continue until BOR

Round 2: knit until 2 sts before BOR)

Repeat these two rounds 6 times in total. (If you wish to change the length of the sleeve repeat the two rounds until desired length. To get $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves the tip should cover $\frac{1}{3}$ of your underarm, before continuing the pattern. Remove the markers around the inc sts leaving only BOR. Continue decreasing:

Round 1: ssk, M, k2tog, knit until M.

Round 2: knit to 2 sts before M.

Repeat these two rounds 3 times in total. Then repeat Round 1 and begin Round 2 but stop 18 sts before BOR.
[47 (49) 51 (53) 55 (57) sts]

GERMAN SHORT ROWS SLEEVES

Use decreases and short rows to shape the sleeves as on the body:

Row 1 (knit side): k 16, ssk, BOR, k2tog, k 16 , turn

Row 2 (purl side): p 34, turn

(The first st after a turn, is always pulled to a double stitch as described in the abbreviations)

Repeat these two short rows 4 times in total, by turning 2 sts before the last turn. The stitch you turn on is 1 of these 2 sts. (There are 4 turns on each side of BOR).

After the last turn, knit until 2 sts before BOR, ssk, BOR, k2tog. Knit until BOR. [37 (39) 41 (43) 45 (47) sts]

Switch to needles 7 mm and reduce the stitches:

k 1, k2tog. Repeat * - * and adjust at the end of the round to match the number of stitches: 26 (28) 28 (30) 32 (34) sts

Knit 7 rounds of rib sts (k 1, p 1). Bind off in rib st.

Repeat for the second sleeve.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends, and stitch together any holes there might be around the new stitches under the sleeves. Wash and stretch your sweater to fit the measurements and lay it flat to dry on a towel.

