

# Lile

KNITWEAR DESIGN



Okapi Sweater

## Sizes

S/M (M/L) L/XL (XL/XXL)

## Measurements

Circumference: 98 (104) 108 (114) cm

Length, short version: 48 (50) 52 (54) cm

Length, long version: 58 (60) 62 (64) cm

## Yarn

Short version: 200 (300) 300 (400) g New Zealand Lambswool from G-uld in main color (A)

Long version: 300 (400) 400 (500) g New Zealand Lambswool from G-uld in main color (A)

100 g New Zealand Lambswool from G-uld in contrast color (B) for stripes (both sizes).

## Needles

Circular needle size 5 mm, 80 cm.

Double pointed needles (dpn) size 4 mm for i-cord. Circular needle size 4 mm, 60 cm, for neckband.

## Gauge

16 stitches and 23 rounds = 10 x 10 cm in stockinette stitch with yarn held double on size 5 mm needles.

## Difficulty

Intermediate

## About the pattern

The sweater is knit from the top with two color stripes on the yoke. Increases are worked in the main color in the striped section, and as normal raglan increases after the striped section.

All edges are finished with an i-cord.

Increases: all increases are worked by making a yarn over, which on the following round is knit through the back loop.

## Yoke

Cast on 106 (110) 114 (118) stitches in color A with the yarn held double. Knit 1 round, where you increase 10 sts evenly = 116 (120) 124 (128) stitches. Join color B. Make sure color B is the dominant color (i.e. color A should be held to the right and color B to the left).

Work 11 rounds as follows: \*Knit 1 (with color A), knit 1 (with color B)\*, repeat from \* to \*.

Now work the first increase: \*Knit 1, yarn over (with color A), knit 1 (with color B)\*. Repeat from \* to \* to end of round. On the next round work the yarn over as "knit 1 through the back loop".

There are now 174 (180) 186 (192) stitches on the needle.

Work 11 (12) 13 (13) rounds as follows: \*Knit 2 (with color A), knit 1 (with color B)\*, repeat from \* to \*. Break of color B and continue working in color A alone.

## Raglan

Divide the work into body and sleeves. Place 4 markers between the following sections: 30 (31) 32 (33) stitches for sleeve, 57 (59) 61 (63) stitches for front, 30 (31) 32 (33) stitches for sleeve, 57 (59) 61 (63) stitches for back.

Increase every 2<sup>nd</sup> round as follows: \*Knit to 1 stitch before the marker, yarn over, knit 2, yarn over\*, repeat \* to \* to the end of the round.

On the next round work the yarn overs as knit 1 through the back loop.

Work the raglan increases a total of 7 (8) 9 (10) times. There are now 230 (244) 258 (272) stitches on the needle.

## Body

Now place the sleeve stitches on hold. From the beginning of the round place 44 (47) 50 (53) stitches on hold for the first sleeve, cast on 8 new stitches under the arm, work in stockinette stitch across 71 (75) 79 (83) sts for the front, place 44 (47) 50 (53) stitches on hold for the first sleeve, cast on 8 new stitches under the arm, work in stockinette stitch across 71 (75) 79 (83) stitches for the back. There are now 158 (166) 174 (182) stitches on the needle for the body.

Work in stockinette stitch with color A until the work measures 17 (18) 19 (20) cm (short version) or 33 (34) 35 (36) cm (long version) from the cast on under the sleeves.

Join color B and work stripes as on the yoke. Work 11 rounds as follows: \*Knit 1 (with color A), knit 1 (with color B)\*, repeat from \* to \*.

Break color A and bind off with and i-cord in color B.

Change to size 4 mm needle and cast on 4 new stitches with color B. Work an i-cord edge as follows: \*Knit 3, knit 2 together, slip 4 stitches back onto left needle and pull the yarn around the back\*, repeat \* to \* until all stitches have been bound off.

Graft the ends of the i-cord together with kitchener stitches.

## Sleeves

Place the held stitches for the first sleeve back onto a size 5 mm needle. Pick up and knit 8 stitches from the cast on under the sleeve, place a marker in the middle of these. There are now 52 (55) 58 (61) stitches on the needle for the sleeve.

Work round in stockinette stitch in color A for 5 (6) 6 (6) cm.

Now begin working decreases for the sleeve. Decrease every 8<sup>th</sup> round by knitting to 3 stitches before the marker, then working \*knit 2 together, knit 2, knit 2 together through the back loop\*. Decrease a total of 10 times, then work straight down in stockinette stitch until the sleeve measures 41 (42) 43 (43) cm from the picked up stitches under the arm.

Decrease another 0 (1) 0 (1) stitch on the next round. Then join color B and work in stripes as on the yoke. Work 11 rounds as follows: \*Knit 1 (with color A), knit 1 (with color B)\*, repeat from \* to \*.

Break color A and bind off with and i-cord in color B.

Change to size 4 mm needle and cast on 4 new stitches with color B. Work an i-cord edge as follows: \*Knit 3, knit 2 together, slip 4 stitches back onto left needle and pull the yarn around the back\*, repeat \* to \* until all stitches have been bound off.

Graft the ends of the i-cord together with kitchener stitches.

Work the second sleeve identical to the first.

## Neckband

Using a size 4 mm needle and color B, pick up and knit 106 (110) 114 (118) stitches from the right side along the cast on stitches in the neckline.

Finish the neckband with an i-cord. Cast on 4 new stitches with color B. Work an i-cord edge as follows: \*Knit 3, knit 2 together, slip 4 stitches back onto left needle and pull the yarn around the back\*, repeat \* to \* until all stitches have been bound off.

Graft the ends of the i-cord together with kitchener stitches.