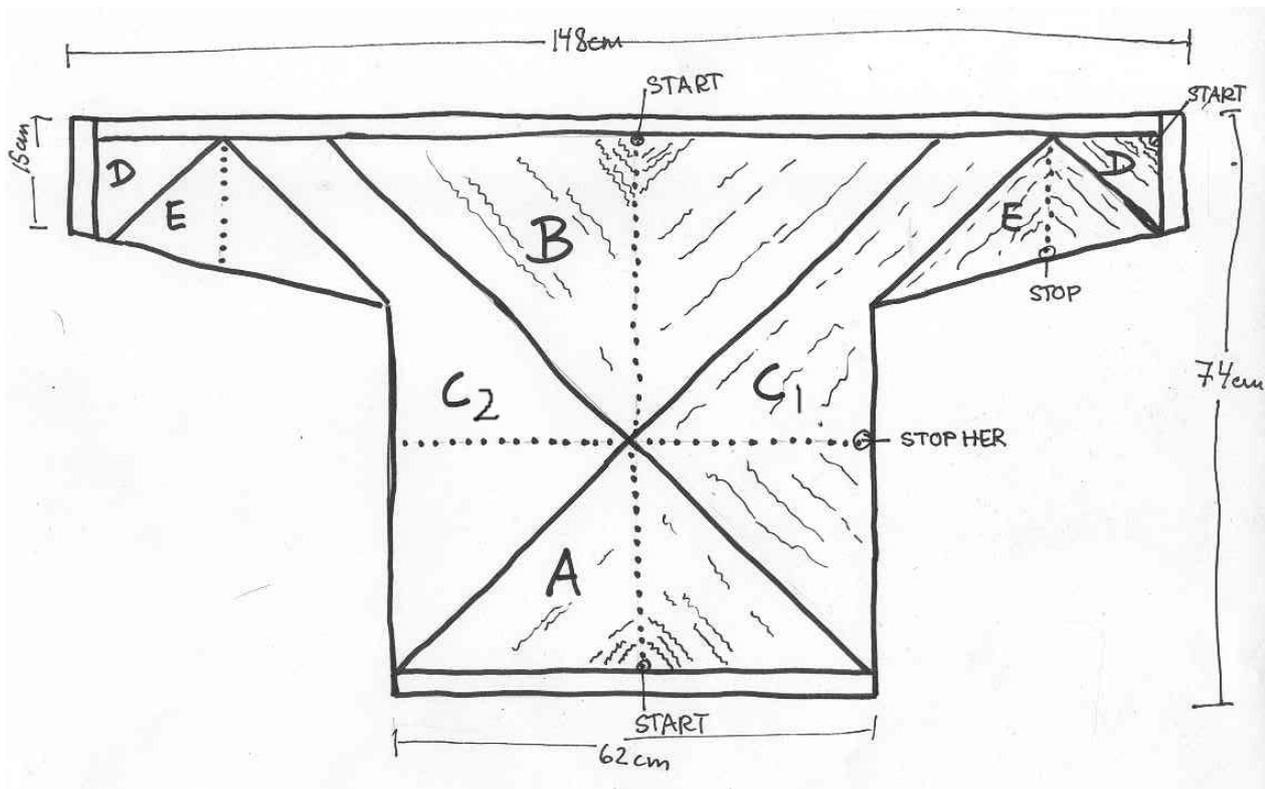


X - Jacket

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Units:

Please note that all measurements are metric.

Size:

See the measurements on the drawing.

The size may be varied by knitting looser or tighter, also changing the width of the border will change the size.

Yarn:

The jacket is made from hand spun 2 ply wool and alpaca, app. Nm 6/2 (300 meters/100 g)

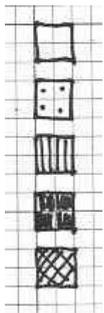
Be aware that the choice of yarn may affect the amount needed; a more compact yarn will make a heavier jacket.

If you choose other colours, think about maintaining the balance in light/medium/dark colours.

Gauge:

Garner stitch on 3 mm needles: 20 sts x 40 rows (20 ridges) = 10 x 10 cm.

Quantity:



W white	260 g
L light	90 g
M medium	90 g
D dark	290 g
V variegated	200 g

Needles:

Flex needles or circular needles 3 mm, 4 extra circulars (may be thinner) as stitch holders are good.

Stitch markers

One needle 5 mm, for binding off.

Knitting techniques:

Only garter stitch is used. The pattern is not counted in single rows but in ridges – 2 rows = one ridge.

Use knit-cast on.

Whenever possible, knit in the yarn ends as you go.

Binding off is done with a needle 2 sizes bigger than you use for knitting.

Increases:

1. In the middle of the work: yarn over on each side of the marked middle stitch. On the next row the yo's are knitted in the back loop.

2. In the edge of the work: knit 1, leave the stitch on left needle, knit one more in the same stitch, this time in the back loop.

Decreases:

1. in the middle of the work: slip 1, knit 2 tog, pass slipped stitch over.
2. in the beginning of a row: slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over.
3. in the end of a row: last 2 sts knit together.

Important!

The figures in this pattern are ment as guidance.

If you find you have a couple of stitches more or less than indicated after a series of de- or increases, improvise! It won't show in the finished work.

Abbreviations:

K..... knit
St stitch
Sts... stitches
R..... row
Inc... increase
Dec . decrease
K2tog..... knit 2 together
Pssso pass slipped stitch over
WS.. wrong side
RS... right side
Yo... yarn over

Back:

Begin with triangle A in colour D, lower mid back. The numbers in brackets indicates the number of sts on the needle after the row has been done.

Cast on 5 sts.

Row 1, wrong side: knit (5sts)

R2: (k1,yo)x4, k1 (9sts)

R3: k9 (9 sts)

R4: inc 1 in first sts, k3, yo, k1 (set marker on this st), yo, k3, inc 1 in last st (13sts)

R5: knit, except the two yo's from previous row is knitted in the back loop. (13 sts)

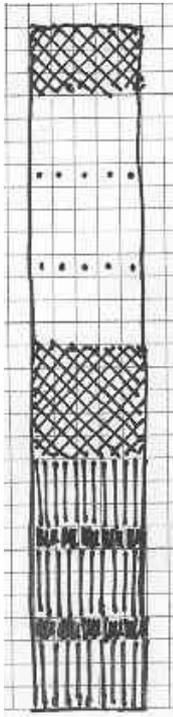
Repeat the last two rows alternately, as the number of sts increases with 4 on each right side row.

Use colour D till you have 8 ridges (39sts), then change to diagram 1.

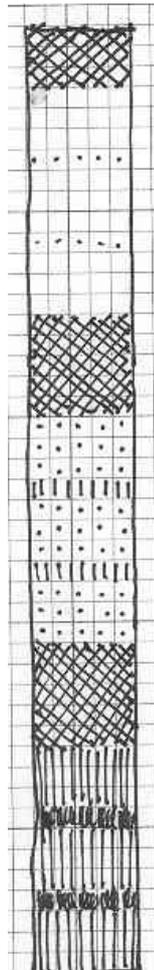
After the last 3 ridges in colour V, all the stitches are put on 2 needle holders (extra circulars), each side on its own.

Start triangle B top mid back in the same way, yet the pattern is a little different: after the first 8 ridges in colour D, knit pattern 2.

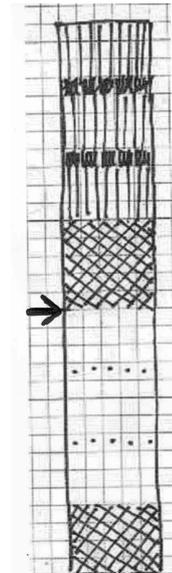
Place the sts on two circulars like before.



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Side part (C1)

Place triangles A and B like show in the drawing, tip to tip.

Put the stitches from both triangles on your working needle, for knitting the right side. Cast on one extra st between the stitches on the holders; mark this as your mid st.

Begin with colour V, right side. Increase in both sides of the work, decrease around the mid stitch on each right side row.

Knit 4 ridges and change colour, follow diagram 3.

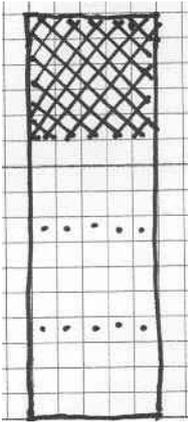
But from now on you decrease in the right side of your work, which is the beginning of the right side rows; this makes your side seam. You keep decreasing around the middle stitch, and increasing in the end stitch.

After the last white ridge (marked with an arrow in the diagram), put last 62 sts on a holder for knitting the sleeve, there should now be app. 55 sts on each side of the mid st left on your working needle.

Continue knitting the side, by decreasing in both ends as well as around the mid st. Having finished diagram 3, change to colour D.

Bind off the last 5 sts.

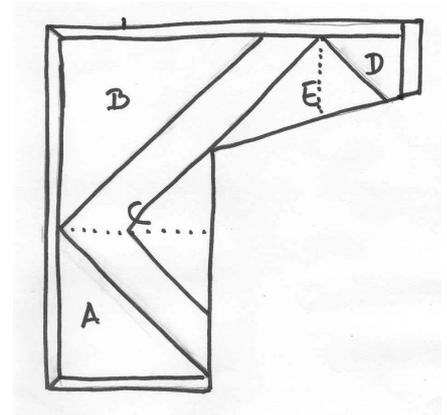
Knit the other side (C2) in the same way, but remember to mirror the pattern!



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Front/sleeves

Sleeves:

First knit the little triangle D at the wrist.

Cast on 3 sts using colour D, increasing 1 st in both sides of each right side row. Continue till you have 19 sts. Now follow diagram 4.

When you have changed to colour V start decreasing along the underarm in following sequence: (1-1-0). That is, increase in the right side rows, but not in every 3rd right side row.

Increases in the other end of the row and around the middle stitch continue.

Knit till you have 5 ridges in colour V, put the stitches on a holder.

Knit another piece in the same way, and two more just mirrored, so you have for all 4 half-sleeves.

Now place a D-piece with decreases on the left side tip-to-tip with the right side of the back, see the drawing.

Pick up the stitches from part D (42 sts) and part C1 (62 sts), cast on one st between the two groups and mark it as middle st.

Knit pattern 5, after that colour D

Make the usual decreases on each side of the middle st. Along the underarm from the wrist to the middle st you continue the (1-1-0) sequence of decreasing, along the seam from armpit to middle st. you decrease alternately 1 and 2 sts in each ridge (right side row).

When almost all the sts has been bound off, the number of sts should balance around the middle st – otherwise this is the place to improvise.

Bind of the last 5 sts, there should be 2 on each side of the middle st.

Same procedure on the other half-sleeves.

Front:

Begin with part A.

Cast on 3 sts in colour D for a triangle with only increases along the edges. Knit till you have 19 sts, then follow diagram 1.

Place the stitches (82) on a holder.

Knit part B in the same way, but in stead of diagram 1 use diagram 2 and end with 112 sts.

Place the triangles tip-to-tip; pick up the stitches for part C, cast on one marked middle st. between the two groups.

Knit 3 ridges in colour V, as you decrease on each side of the middle st and inc. along both edges. Now follow diagram 3, remember that from now on you decrease in the beginning of the right side row, just like you did when knitting the back. From now on follow the procedure described under Back and Sleeve.

And don't forget to mirror the other front piece!

Finishing/edges:

The size of the jacket may be altered somewhat by broadening or narrowing the edges. I am describing the number of ridges I have knitted.

First sew in all the loose ends that are not already knitted in. Trim the ends.

Back:

Along the shoulder seam from wrist to wrist, pick up app. 250 sts – 1 in each ridge, but 2 in every fourth. Knit 7 ridges in colour D, bind off using the thick needle, or put sts on holder for grafting shoulder seam.

Make the border along the lower edge in the same way.

Front:

Pick up stitches for shoulder seam; front seam and lower edge in one go. Mark a middle sts. in each of the corners, and increase on both sides of this. Knit 7 ridges in colour D and bind off. Or, place the sts on a holder for grafting the shoulder seam.

Sew or graft front and back along shoulder seam, leave open at neck like indicated on the drawing on the front piece. The top corners are meant to fall down to make the collar.

Pick up stitches for sleeve edges, knit 7 ridges, bind off.

Sew side- and underarm seams.

Steam and/or block the work to your liking – I use my steam iron!

It would please me to see all the different jackets this pattern may result in, so please mail me a picture, as well as any corrections you may have.

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Happy knitting,

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