



Julia Christmas Sweater

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Materials

Circular needles:

US 8 (5 mm): 32"/ 24"/ 16"

US 7 (4.5 mm): 16" for the ribbing around neck.

You can also use DPNs if you choose

7 (8) 9 skeins: Soft Alpaca, color 09

1 skein Super Kid Silk color 01

1 skein Super Kid Silk color 02

1 skein Super Kid Silk color 14

1 skein Super Kid Silk color 20

NOTE: You will need to divide these skeins into mini-skeins with 3 strands

Sizes

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Buy the yarn here

<http://shop.hobbii.com/julia-christmas-sweater>

Finished Measurements

Width: 18 (19) 19 ½ inches

Length: 21 ½ (22 ½) 23 inches

Gauge

17 sts x 24 rows = 4" x 4"

Pattern Information

The sweater is knit flat from the bottom up joining the pieces together to work the raglan style yoke. When the chart pattern ends at the armhole decreases, continue working in stockinette. The pattern is made using *Intarsia* technique.

Edge stitches:

Do not slip stitches for edge- knit all stitches on the right side and purl all stitches on the wrong side.

Back

CO 78 (82) 86 sts with 2 strands of blue soft alpaca on US 7 (4.5mm) and knit in rib pattern *k1, p1* until the work measures 1 ½”

Change to the larger needles (US 8) and work in stockinette until the piece measures 14 (14 ½) 15 inches.

Armholes: Bind off 4 sts on either side = 70 (74) 78 sts.

Place stitches on waste yarn and set aside to work the front piece.

Front

CO 78 (82) 86 sts with 2 strands of blue soft alpaca on US 7 (4.5mm) and knit in rib pattern *k1, p1* until the work measures 1 ½”. Increase by one stitch on the last row of ribbing = 79 (83) 87 stitches.

Place a marker around the center stitch.

Knit in stockinette for 3 inches before beginning the chart.

Knit with 1 skein of blue, 1 skein of the color called for in the chart and a second skein of blue.

Twist the strands around each other when changing colors.

Work the chart using the intarsia technique. Making sure to center the pattern across the stitches.

Work until the piece measures 14 (14 ½) 15 inches.

Armhole: Bind off 4 stitches on each side = 71 (75) 79 stitches.

Place stitches on waste yarn and set aside to work the arms.

Arms

CO 42 (44) 48 sts with 2 strands of blue on the smaller needles (US 7) and work in the rib pattern *k1, p1* until the piece measures 1 ½ inches.

Change to the larger needles (US 8) and work in stockinette increasing as described:

Increasing: k1, m1, k until there are 2 sts remaining, m1, k2.

Repeat the increase row every 10 (8) 8 rows until there are 58 (62) 68 sts.

Knit evenly in stockinette until the work measures 19 inches.

Bind off 4 sts on each side = 50 (54) 60 sts.

Place stitches on waste yarn and set aside to work the second arm in the same manner.

Yoke

Place the stitches from all of the pieces on a circular needle: arm, front, arm, back = 241 (257) 277 sts. Join in the round.

Place a marker between each piece (back, front and arms) = 3 markers.

Continue in stockinette and the chart-pattern.

Knit 1 row. Purl 1 row.

Begin raglan shaping (decreases): k1, ssk, *k until there are 3 sts remaining before the marker, k2tog, k2, ssk*, repeat *-* 2 times, k until there are 3 sts remaining on the row, k2tog, k1 = 8 decreases= 233 (249) 269 sts.

Repeat decrease row on every other row until there are 89 (89) 97 sts remaining.

On the next row (WS), decrease by 1 st = 88 (88) 96 sts.

Short Rows

1. row: knit until there is 1 st remaining before the front raglan shaping on the right side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.
2. row: purl until there is 1 st remaining before the front raglan shaping on the left side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.
3. row: knit to 1 st after the back raglan decrease on the right side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.
4. row: purl to 1 st after the back raglan decrease on the left side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.
5. row: knit to 1 st before the back raglan decrease on the right side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.
6. row: purl to 1 st before the back raglan decrease on the left side. Turn work using the *german shortrow technique*.

Neck

Change to the smaller needles (US7) and knit in rib pattern *k1, p1* until the edge measures 1 ½ inches. Bind off loosely.

Assembly

Sew the seam under the arms.

Sew arm and side seams together.

Enjoy ☺

