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Design by *Ana M. Valero (@animv.9)* winner of the **Katia Designers Awards 5**: "My sweater is a must-have on cold days. Versatile, comfortable, warm, easy to wear with any outfit, timeless and with a romantic vibe. Simple, basic, but very flattering".

SIZE: 43 1/4" finished bust measurement

UK Sizes: 8-10

MATERIALS

MERINO ARAN (100g): 8 balls in color no. 3

Note: This model can be made with MERINO SPORT (50g), instead MERINO ARAN (100g) using the same instructions; but be aware that the number of balls required may be different. Stitch markers

Crochet hook	Stitches
Size H8 (US)/ (5mm)	• Chain St
	• Slip St
	• Single crochet
	• Double crochet
	- <i>Stripe Pattern</i> (see instructions)
	- <i>2x2 Ribbing</i> (see instructions)
	- <i>Double decrease</i> (see instructions)
	- <i>Simple decrease</i> (see instructions)

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Stripe Pattern: Work in the back loop only:
* 3 rnds in *single crochet*, 3 rnds in *double crochet*, *; repeat from * to *

2x2 Ribbing:

Round 1: * 2 FPdc (work dc around each front post of next 2 sts in the row below), 2 BPdc (work dc around each back post of next 2 sts in the row below), *; rep from * to *

Round 2 and all following rounds: Work front post double crochet (FPdc) around the front post stitches and back post double crochet (BPdc) around the back post stitches.

Double decrease:

Sc3tog = (Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull through) 3 times. Yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook = **2 sc decreased**

Dc3tog = (Yarn over, insert hook into next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops) 3 times. Yarn over, draw through all 4 loops on hook = **2 dc decreased**

Simple decrease:

Sc2tog = (Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and pull through) twice. Yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook = **1 sc decreased**

Dc2tog = (Yarn over, insert hook into next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops) twice. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook = **1 dc decreased**

GAUGE

In *Stripe Pattern*:

14 sts and 8 rounds = 4x4".

INSTRUCTIONS

The garment is worked in the round in one piece, from the bottom up to the neckline and seamless.

Chain 154, join with a slip st to form a circle. Place a **stitch marker** at the beginning of round. Work 5 rnds in *double crochet*.

Note: Begin each rnd with ch-3 (counts as 1 dc) and **join** with a sl st in top of beg ch-3. Continue in *Stripe Pattern*.

Note: Begin each *single crochet* rnd with ch-2 (counts as 1 sc).

Sleeves: When piece measures 18 1/8" (46cm = Rnd 37), continue working as follows for top edge of the sleeves (yoke):

Rnd 37: pm, ch 2, ch 54 (sleeve) and **join** with a sl st in first chain; pm, 77 *single crochet*

(back), pm, ch 54 (sleeve) and **join** with a sl st in first chain; pm, 77 *single crochet* (front) and **join** with a sl st in top of beg ch-2: [262 sts]

Continue working in *Stripe Pattern*, **decreasing** before and after each marker as follows:

Rnd 38: pm, ch 1 and 1 sc (first *simple decrease*), 73 sc, 1 *simple decrease* (back); pm, 1 *simple decrease*, 50 sc, *simple decrease* (sleeve); pm, 1 *simple decrease*, 73 p. a p. bajo, 1 *simple decrease* (front); 1 *simple decrease*, 50 sc, 1 *simple decrease* (sleeve) and **join** with a sl st in ch-1: [254 sts]

Rnd 39: pm, ch 2, dc2tog (first *double decrease*) 67 dc, 1 *double decrease* (back); pm, 1 *double decrease*, 44 dc, 1 *double decrease* (sleeve), pm, 1 *double decrease*, 67 dc, 1 *double decrease* (front); 1 *double decrease*, 44 dc, 1 *double decrease* (sleeve) and **join** with a sl st in ch-2: [238 sts]

Continue to **decrease** in the same way as in Rnd 39: 2 sts 10 times: [16 sts each round]

From the 7th **decrease round**, work *double crochet* in the back loop only (BLdc): [78 sts]

Collar:

Rnd 50: Continue working *double crochet* through both loops, **decreasing** 2 sts (dc3tog) at the beginning and end of round: [74 sts].

Continue to work in *2x2 Ribbing*.

When collar measures 8 5/8" (22cm), **fasten off** and weave in all ends.

Sleeves: Work on the chain stitches of Rnd 37. Work the 54 sts in *Stripe Pattern* in rounds.

When sleeve measures 15 3/4" (40cm = Rnd 34), begin **decreasing** rounds as follows:

Rnd 35: Ch 3, work *simple decrease* until you have 1 stitch remain, work that st in *double crochet*: [28 sts].

Rnd 36: Ch 3, dc, * 1 *simple decrease*, 1 dc, *; repeat from * to * a total of 8 times, ending with 2 dc: [20 sts]

Cuff: Work 5 rounds in *2x2 Ribbing*. **Fasten off** and weave in all ends.

Work 2nd sleeve the same.

