

Strawberry Fields



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Strawberry fields as far as the eye can see, a clear blue sky and bare legs in the sun. The Strawberry Fields skirt with all its lovely details is designed with days like these in mind, with thoughts of lightness and summer vibes. You can choose to knit the skirt on its own, or you can combine it with the Here Comes the Sun T-shirt for a matching summer set.

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Materials

250 (300) 350 (400) 450 (500) 550 g Merci by Filcolana in colour 614 (Strawberry Daiquiri)
2,5 mm and 3 mm circular needle, 60-80 cm
Stitch markers
Contrast coloured sewing thread
4 cm wide elastic the length of your waist

Sizes

XS (S) M (L) XL (2XL) 3XL

Measurements

Body, waist: 63-70 (71-78) 79-86 (87-94) 95-106 (107-118) 119-130 cm

Skirt, waist: 85 (92) 99 (106) 118 (130) 141 (the extra width between the body and the waist of the skirt is ruched together with the elastic)

Total length: 80 (80) 84,5 (84,5) 89 (89) 89 cm

Gauge

26 sts and 34 rows in stockinette stitch on 3 mm needles = 10 x 10 cm.

Special abbreviations

M1R (Make 1 Right): from the back, lift the horizontal strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the front loop.

M1L (Make 1 Left): from the front, lift the horizontal



strand between stitches with the left needle and knit through the back loop.

Sk2p: Slip 1 stitch purl-wise, k2tog, pass slipped stitch over.

Directions for knitting

The skirt is worked in the round from the top down. First the casing for the elastic at the waist is worked, then the skirt is worked in stockinette stitch with increases to create width. Finally, a pattern border and a folded stockinette stitch edge is worked at the hem.

Skirt

Cast on 222 (240) 258 (276) 306 (336) 366 sts on a 3 mm circular needle. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work 8 cm in stockinette stitch.

Now work increases to create width in the skirt. Divide the work into sections with stitch markers, while at the same time working increases as follows:

*Knit 36 (39) 42 (45) 50 (55) 60 sts, M1R, place marker, p1, M1L *, repeat from * to * to end of round (a total of 6 times). There are now a total of 234 (252) 270 (288) 318 (348) 378 sts on the needle.

The work has now been divided into 6 sections, which are widened with increases to shape the skirt.

Work 14 rounds as the sts present (i.e., knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts).

Round 15: *Knit to marker, M1R, p1, M1L *, repeat from * to * to end of round. There are now a total of

246 (264) 282 (300) 330 (360) 390 m.

Repeat these 15 rounds 13 (13) 14 (14) 15 (15) 15 more times. There are now a total of 402 (420) 450 (468) 510 (540) 570 m.

The work now measures approx. 70 (70) 74,5 (74,5) 79 (79) 79 cm measured from the cast-on edge.

Work 14 rounds as the sts present (or until the skirt has desired length before edge).

Remove all markers except the beginning of round marker.

Work in pattern as follows:

Round 1: *sk2p, yarn over*, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Round 2: Strik r omg rundt.

Round 3: 1 r, *yarn over, sk2p*, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts of the round, sk2p (the last decrease includes the first stitch of the next round. For this reason, the marker must be removed while working the decrease and replaced between the 2 sts after).

Round 4: Knit to end of round.

Work Round 1 – 4 a total of 7 times (the pattern border now measures 8 cm).

Change to a 2,5 mm circular needle and work the folded stockinette stitch hem. Knit the next round holding a contrast-coloured sewing thread along with the yarn. This will make it easier to locate the correct round when knitting together and binding off the folded edge.

Work 9 rounds in stockinette stitch.

Now fold the stockinette stitch section double towards the WS, so the sts on the needle are parallel to the round knitted with the sewing thread.

Now knit together the edge while at the same time binding off the sts as follows:

Knit the first stitch on the needle together with the first stitch of the round with the sewing thread. Knit the next stitch on the needle together with the next stitch of the round with the sewing thread. Pass the first stitch over the second to bind it off, while at the same time pulling the sewing thread out of this stitch. Take care not to bind off too tightly or too loosely. Continue in the round as established until all the sts have been bound off. Break the yarn and weave in all ends.

Finishing

Waist elastic casing: Measure the elastic to the length of your waist. Cut it to the desired length, then sew together the ends on a sewing machine to form a loop. Turn the skirt to the WS and place the elastic on the outside of the work 4 cm from the top edge. Create the casing by folding the edge over the elastic and sew the cast-on edge to the WS right above the first increase round.

Weave in all ends.

