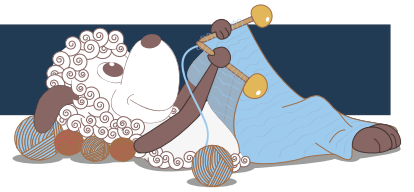


Soleima - a colour happy sweater



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Soleima is a lovely, colour happy sweater with a fun and playful detail on the sleeves. Together with the skirt Nadia this design is part of a set, which isn't too warm and doesn't itch.

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Materials

Colour A: 100 (150) 150 (150) g Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in colour 334 (Light Blush)
Colour B: 50 (50) 50 (50) g Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in colour 252 (Chock Orange)
Colour C: 50 (50) 50 (50) g Arwetta Classic by Filcolana in colour 194 (Violet)
3 mm circular needle, 80 cm long
3 mm double-pointed needles
4 stitch markers

Sizes

2 years/92 cl (4 years/104 cl) 6 years/116 cl (8 years/128 cl)

Measurements

Body, chest: 55 (57) 61 (65) cm
Sweater, chest: 70 (72) 76 (78) cm
Sleeve length: 28 (30) 32 (34) cm
Total length: 32 (35) 38 (41) cm

Gauge

24 sts and 31 rows in stockinette stitch on a 3 mm needle = 10 x 10 cm

Special abbreviations

Tbl: stroug the back loop(s)



Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked from the bottom up in stockinette stitch.

Body

Cast on 168 (172) 184 (188) sts on a 3 mm circular needle with colour A. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round. Work 14 (14) 16 (16) rounds of k1, p1 ribbing. Then work in stockinette stitch until the work measures 15 (17) 19 (21) cm.

Now divide the work into front and back as follows: Knit 80 (82) 88 (90) (front), bind off 4 (4) 4 (4) sts, knit until there are 80 (82) 88 (90) sts on the needle after the bound off sts (back), bind off 4 (4) 4 (4) sts. Let the body rest on the needle.

Sleeves

Cast on 34 (34) 36 (36) sts on a 3 mm needle with colour A. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

Work 14 (14) 16 (16) rounds of k1, p1 ribbing. Now work in stockinette stitch while increasing 10 (10) 12 (12) sts evenly across the first round, then continue in stockinette stitch while working increases every 6th (6th) 6th (6th) round a total of 7 (8) 10 (11) times as follows: K1, M1, knit to the last stitch of the round, M1, k1. There are now 58 (60) 68 (70) sts on the needle.

Now work the sleeve detail as follows: Change to colour B, but do not break colour A. *K3, M1*, repeat from * to * as many times as possible to end of round. Knit 9 rounds. Purl 1 round. Knit 10 rounds.

Now "close" the sleeve detail by knitting together the next round with the first round in colour B. Be very careful to pick up every stitch from the first round in colour B, so the 2 stitches that are knitted together are aligned all the way around: *From the WS and with the right needle, lift a stitch from the first round in colour B onto the left needle. Knit this stitch together with the next stitch on the needle *, repeat from * to * to end of round. Break colour B.

Now work next round in colour A: *K2, k2tog*, repeat from * to * as many times as possible to end of round.

Knit 8 rounds, while at the same time working Round 4 increases as before.

Work the sleeve detail the same way as before in the following colours: Work *2 rounds in colour C and 2 rounds in colour A*, repeat from * to * once more. Change to colour C and knit 1 round, purl 1 round, knit 2 rounds. Change to colour A and work *2 rounds in colour A and 2 rounds in colour C*, repeat from * to * once more. Break colour C.

Now "close" the sleeve detail in the same way as the first time. Then continue in colour A and knit 8



rounds, while at the same time working increases on the 4th round as before. On the last round, knit to 2 sts before end of round, then bind off the next 4 sts. There are now 58 (60) 68 (70) sts left.

Move the sts to a stitch holder and work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

Yoke

Join the body and sleeves, by placing the sleeves over where sts were bound off for the armholes on the body. There are now a total of 276 (284) 312 (320) sts on the needle.

Place a marker at the centre of the back sts for beginning of round and join colour A. Place 4 more markers each of the 4 places where body and sleeves meet. Knit 2 (4) 4 (6) rounds.

Now work raglan decreases as follows:

Round 1: *Knit to 2 sts before marker, ssk, ssk*, repeat from * to * 3 more times.

Round 2: Knit.

Repeat round 1-2 a total of 20 (21) 23 (24) times.

Now work short rows to shape the neck opening. When turning on a short row, work a yarn over. When working past the turning point, the yarn over is either

knitted or purled together with the neighbouring stitch. Please note that these yarn overs are not counted.

Row 1: *Knit to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k2tog*, repeat from * to * once more, k14, turn, yarn over, purl to beginning of round.

Row 2 (WS): *Purl to 2 sts before marker, p2tog, p2tog tbl *, repeat from * to * once more, p14, turn, yarn over, knit to beginning of round.

Repeat these 2 rows 3 more times, only turning 2 sts before the last turn for each time, so the turns are made further and further from the centre. A total of 4 short row turns have been made on either side of the front. Knit to end of round. There are now 84 (84) 96 (96) sts.

Work 8 (8) 9 (9) rounds of k1, p1 ribbing. Bind off loosely.

Finishing

Weave in all ends and sew together the hole under each sleeve.