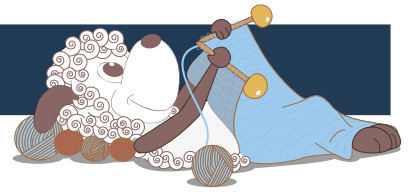


Øksnehallen - a simple rib sweater



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This simple rib sweater is inspired by the neighbourhood of Copenhagen called Vesterbro, where the designer lives. The style is straightforward, and the sweater is gorgeously soft and warm. The lovely alpaca yarn gives the design a lovely drape and a very flattering silhouette.

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Materials

300 (350) 400 (400) 450 (500) 500 g Indiecita by Filcolana in colour 979 (Pebbles)
4 mm circular needles, 40, 60 and/or 80 cm
2,5 mm double-pointed needles
Stitch markers

Sizes

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

Measurements

Body, chest: 68-78 (78-88) 88-98 (98-108) 108-118 (118-128) 128-138 cm

Sweater, chest: 91 (101) 109 (118) 129 (138) 146 cm

Sleeve length: 37 (38) 39 (39) 39 (40) 50 cm

Total length: 62 (63) 64 (65) 66 (68) 69 cm

The sweater is designed to be oversize and have 15-20 cm of positive ease, meaning the sweater is designed to have a circumference approx. 15-20 cm larger than your body

Gauge

26 sts and 27 rows in rib (un-stretched) on 4 mm needles = 10 x 10 cm.



Directions for knitting

The sweater is worked bottom up. First two identical hem sections are worked back and forth. Then the two sections are joined and the body is worked in the round to the armholes. Stitches are bound off for the armholes and back and front are finished separately, with short rows to shape the shoulders. Stitches are picked up and knitted along the armholes for the sleeves, which are worked down from there.

Hem sections

Cast on 119 (131) 143 (155) 169 (179) 191 sts on a 4 mm circular needle. Work back and forth as follows:
Row 1 (WS): K2, *p1, 1 r*, repeat from * to * to the last 3 sts, p1, k2.

Row 2: K1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Repeat Row 1 and 2 until the work measures 8 cm. End on a Row 1, which is a WS row.

Break the yarn and let the sts rest on a stitch holder or an extra circular needle.

Cast on 119 (133) 143 (155) 169 (181) 191 sts on a 4 mm circular needle and work a second section the same way as the first, but do not break the yarn at the end.

Body

Join the 2 sections on a 4 mm circular needle as follows: Work the sts for the last section from the RS as follows - k1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts, p1, knit the last st together with the first st of the section that was first knitted, repeat from * to * across the sts for this section to the last 2 sts, p1, knit the last st together with the first st of the first section to join in the round. Place a marker for the beginning of the round.

There are now a total of 236 (264) 284 (308) 336 (360) 380 sts on the needle.

Now work in the round in rib until the work measures 39 (39) 39 (38) 38 (38) 38 cm.

Only size S, XL and 2XL

End 1 st before the end of the round on the last round. Remove marker for beginning of round and let the round begin here instead.

All sizes

Bind off for the armholes on the next round as follows: Bind off 10 (11) 12 (12) 13 (13) 14 sts, work in rib as the sts present until there are 99 (111) 119 (131) 143 (155) 163 sts on the needle after the bound off sts, bind off 20 (22) 24 (24) 26 (26) 28 sts, work in rib until there are 97 (109) 117 (129) 141 (153) 161 sts on the needle after the bound off sts, bind off the last 10 (11) 12 (12) 13 (13) 14 sts of the round.

Break the yarn and pull the end through the last bound off st.

Now work finish back and front separately.

Back

Turn and work across the last worked 97 (109) 117 (129) 141 (153) 161 sts for the back as follows:
Row 1 (WS): Cast on 1 new st, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last st, p1, cast on 1 new st in extension of the sts on the needle. There are now a total of 99 (111) 119 (131) 143 (155) 163 sts on the needle.
Row 2 (RS): K2, p1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts, k2.
Row 3: K1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.
Repeat Row 2 and 3 until the back yoke measures 20 (21) 22 (24) 25 (26) 27 cm. End on a WS row.

Now work short rows to shape the shoulder as follows:

Short row 1 (RS): Work as Row 2 to the last 6 (7) 8 (9) 9 (9) 9 sts, turn.

Short row 2 (WS): Yarn over around right needle, work in rib as the sts present to the last 6 (7) 8 (9) 9 (9) 9 sts, turn.

Short row 3: Yarn over around right needle, work in rib as the sts present to 6 (7) 8 (9) 10 (9) 10 sts before last RS turn, turn.

Short row 4: Yarn over around right needle, work in rib as the sts present to 6 (7) 8 (9) 10 (9) 10 sts before last WS turn, turn.

Repeat Row 3 and 4 another 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 times.

Next row (RS): Yarn over around right needle, *work rib to turn, work yarn over and next st together (knit-wise or purl-wise as the next st presents)*, repeat from * to * until all yarn overs have been worked, work rib to last st, k1.

Next row (WS): K1, work rib as the sts present until a total of 33 (39) 41 (47) 53 (57) 61 sts have been worked, bind off the next 33 (33) 37 (37) 37 (41) 41 sts, *work rib to turn, work yarn over and next st together through the back loops (knit-wise or purl-wise as the next st presents)*, repeat from * to * until all yarn overs have been worked, work rib end of row. Let the sts for the back shoulders rest on stitch holder, while the front is worked.

Front

Now work back and forth across the 99 (111) 119 (131) 143 (155) 163 sts for the front as follows:
Row 1 (RS): K2, p1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to the last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2: K1, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to end of row.

Work Row 1 and 2 another 0 (0) 1 (2) 3 (2) 3 times. Now divide the front for the V-neck on the next row as follows (RS): K2, p1, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * a total of 22 (25) 27 (30) 33 (36) 38 times (a total of 47 (53) 57 (63) 69 (75) 79 sts have been worked), k1, k2tog, but let the second of the 2 sts that were knitted together stay on the right needle (this is the centre st of the front, which is worked again for the left front), turn.

Right front

Let the second half of the sts rest, while the right front is worked with decreases for the V-neck as follows:

Row 1 (WS): K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last st, k1.

Row 2 (RS - decrease): K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 7 sts, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, k2.

Row 3: K1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p2, work in rib as the sts present to the last st, k1.

Row 4: K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 7 sts, k2, p1, k1, p1, k2.

Row 5: Work as Row 3.

Row 6 (decrease): K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 7 sts, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, k2.

Row 7: Work as Row 1.

Row 8: K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 2 sts, k2.

work Row 1 – 8 a total of 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (10) 10 times.

At the same time, work short rows to shape the shoulder when the yoke measures 20 (21) 22 (24) 25 (26) 27 cm Be aware that these short rows might need to be worked simultaneously with the last V-neck decreases. Begin with a WS row as follows:

Short row 1 (WS): Work rib to the last 3 (3) 4 (5) 5 (5) 5 sts, turn.

Short row 2: Yarn over around right needle, work rib (potentially with a decrease as described above) to end of row.

Short row 3: Work rib to 6 (7) 8 (9) 10 (9) 10 sts before the last turn, turn.

Short row 4: Yarn over around right needle, work rib (potentially with a decrease as described above) to end of row.

Repeat Row 3 and 4 another 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 times.

Next row (WS): K1, *work rib as the sts present to the turn, work yarn over and next st together through the back loops (knit-wise or purl-wise as the next st presents)*, repeat from * to * until all yarn over have been worked, work rib to end of row.

There are now 33 (39) 41 (47) 53 (57) 61 sts left on the needle.

Use an extra needle and hold the right front shoulder sts together with the corresponding back shoulder, RS to RS, and knit the two set of sts together while binding off at the same time.

Left front

Work the remaining 50 (56) 60 (66) 72 (78) 82 sts for the left front as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Ssk (the first of these 2 sts is the st centre front st, which has already been worked once), k1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 2 sts, k2. There are now a total of 49 (55) 59 (65) 71 (77) 81 sts on the needle.

Row 2 (WS): K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last st, k1.

Row 3 (decrease): K1, k1, p1, k1, p1, ssk, work in rib as the sts present to the last st, k1.

Row 4: K1, work in rib as the sts present to the last 7 sts, p2, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1.

Row 5: K2, p1, k1, p1, k2, work in rib as the sts present to the last 2 sts, k2.

Row 6: Work as Row 4.

Row 7 (decrease): K1, k1, p1, k1, p1, ssk, work in rib as the sts present to the last st, k1.

Row 8: Work as Row 2.

Work Row 1 – 8 a total of 8 (8) 9 (9) 9 (10) times.

At the same time, work short rows to shape the shoulder when the yoke measures 20 (21) 22 (24) 25 (26) 27 cm Be aware that these short rows might need to be worked simultaneously with the last V-neck decreases. Begin with a RS row as follows:

Short row 1 (RS): Work rib (potentially with a decrease as described above) to the last 3 (3) 4 (5) 5 (5) 5 sts, turn.

Short row 2: Yarn over around right needle, work rib to end of row.

Short row 3: Work rib (potentially with a decrease as described above) to 6 (7) 8 (9) 10 (9) 10 sts before the last turn, turn.

Short row 4: Yarn over around right needle, work rib to end of row.

Repeat Row 3 and 4 another 3 (3) 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 times.

Next row (RS): K1, *work rib as the sts present to turn, work yarn over and next st together (knit-wise or purl-wise as the next st presents)*, repeat from * to * until all yarn over have been worked, work rib to end of row.

There are now 33 (39) 41 (47) 53 (57) 61 sts on the needle.

Knit the left front shoulder together with the corresponding back shoulder the same as the right shoulder.

Sleeves

Pick up and knit sts from the RS along the right armhole with a 4 mm circular needle. Do not pick up sts along the straight edge of bound off sts at the bottom of the armhole. Start at the corner and pick up and knit 52 (54) 56 (60) 62 (64) 68 sts along the right front armhole edge to the shoulder seam, pick up and knit 1 st in the shoulder seam, pick up and knit 52 (54) 56 (60) 62 (64) 68 sts along the right back armhole edge down to the corner.

There are now a total of 105 (109) 113 (121) 125 (129) 137 sts on the needle.

Work back and forth as follows:

Row 1 (WS): *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to the last st, k1.

Row 2: K2, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last st, k1.

Repeat Row 1 and 2 until the work measures 4,5 (5) 5,5 (5,5) 6 (6) 6 cm from where the sts were picked up. End on a Row 1, which is a WS row.

Join the work in the round as follows (RS): K2, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last st, join the work in the round on the circular needle and purl the last st together with the first st. Place a marker for the beginning of the round. There are now a total of 104 (108) 112 (120) 124 (128) 136 sts on the needle.

Now work decreases as follows:

****Work 8 (8) 7 (6) 5 (4) 3 rounds in rib as follows:**

k1, p1, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Decrease round 1: K1, p1, ssk, *k1, p1*, repeat from * to * to the last 6 sts, k1, k2tog, p1, k1, p1.

Work 8 (8) 7 (6) 5 (4) 3 rounds in rib as follows: K1, p1, k2, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1.

Decrease round 2: K1, p1, ssk, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last 6 sts, p1, k2tog, p1, k1, p1.

Repeat from ** another 3 (3) 4 (4) 5 (6) 7 times.

There are now a total of 88 (92) 92 (100) 100 (100) 104 sts on the needle.

Work straight in rib until the sleeve measures 32 (33) 34 (34) 34 (35) 35 cm.

Now work the last decreases as follows:

*****Strik Indtagningsomg 1.**

Strik 1 round in rib as follows: K1, p1, k2, *p1, k1*, repeat from * to * to the last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1.

Strik Indtagningsomg 2.

Strik 1 round in rib as follows: *k1, p1, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Repeat from *** once more.

There are now 80 (84) 84 (92) 92 (92) 96 sts on the needle.

Change to 2,5 mm double-pointed needles and work 2,5 cm in rib. Bind off in rib.

Work the left sleeve the same way as the right.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Gently wash the sweater according to the directions of the yarn label, then lay it on a flat surface to dry.