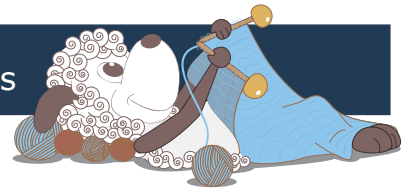


Magnus - a kids sweater with simple texture bands



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A simple boys' sweater with bands of seed stitch and buttons along the raglan opening for a splash of colour. The idea behind the design was to create a very simple, classic design which is both fun and relatively easy to knit, and which suits both small and bigger boys.

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Materials

200 (200) 250 (250) 300 (350) g of Peruvian Highland Wool from Filcolana in colour 202 (Teal)
Circular needle 3½mm and 4½mm, 24 inches long
3½ mm and 4½ mm double-pointed needles
4 stitch markers or scraps of yarn
1 wool needle
2 (3) 3 (3) 3 (3) buttons

Sizes

86/92 cl / 2 years (98/104 cl / 4 years) 110/116 cl / 6 years (122/128 cl / 8 years) 134/140 cl / 10 years (146/152 cl / 12 years).
The model in the photo is size 110/116 cl / 6 years

When you pick which size to knit, measure the height of the child in cm and chose the size based on that measurement.

If the child measures 112 cm, you chose size 110/116 cl. If the child measures 118 cm, you chose size 122/128 cl. Size 110/116 cl will fit children a tall as approx. 116 cm.

Measurements

Body chest: 54 (56) 60 (62) 68 (72) cm
Sweater chest: 60 (62) 67 (71) 78 (82)
Sleeve length: 22 (27) 29 (32) 35 (38) cm
Length: 35 (36) 38 (43) 47 (50) cm



Gauge

18 sts and 27 rows in stockinette stitch on 4½ mm needles = 10 x 10 cm.

Abbreviations

M1 (increase): Lift the chain between 2 sts onto the left needle and knit it through the back loop (knitwise or purlwise as appropriate).

k2tog (decrease): Knit 2 sts together knitwise. This makes a right leaning decrease.

Ssk (decrease): Slip, slip, knit. slip two stitches knitwise one at a time. Insert left needle into the front loops of the slipped stitches and knit them together. This makes a left leaning decrease.

Seed Stitch

Alternate 1 knit and 1 purl stitch across the first row or round. Repeat on the next rows but reversed so knit stitches are purled and purl stitches are knitted.

Short rows

When you turn in the middle of a row to make a short row, it is important to do something to avoid ending up with a hole at the turning point. The most common method is to wrap the working yarn around the next stitch on the needle before turning the work, thus: Hold the yarn behind the needle, slip the next stitch from left to right hand needle, bring the yarn to the front of the work and slip the stitch back on the left needle. This creates a loop around the next stitch, which will eliminate the hole between the last knit and the first unknit stitch. Now turn the work and continue according to your pattern.

Construction

The sweater is knit from the bottom up, seamlessly and in the round. First the body is knit to the armholes, then both sleeves are knit. Sleeves and body are then joined on the circular needle and the yoke is knit with raglan decreases. The work is the split for the last part of the yoke, and worked back and forth to create the raglan opening. When the yoke is knit to the right length, short rows are worked over back and shoulders to shape this part of the sweater. Finally, stitches are picked up along the raglan opening and a rib edging is knit along neck opening and raglan opening.

Body

Cast on 100 (108) 112 (124) 136 (148) sts on the 3½ mm circular needle. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.
Work k2, p2 ribbing until the work measures 3,5 (3,5) 4 (4) 5 (5) cm. Change to a 4½ mm circular needle.
Work the next round in stockinette stitch while increasing 8 (4) 8 (4) 2 (0) sts evenly = 108 (112) 120 (128) 138 (148) sts on the needle.
Work 3 (4) 5 (6) 6 (7) rounds of seed stitch.
Then knit one round and purl the next.
Work straight in stockinette stitch for 14 (14) 15 (16,5) 18 (19) cm.

Purl one round, then knit one round.

Work 5 (6) 8 (11) 11 (12) rounds of seed stitch.

Next knit one round and purl the next.

Work 2 (3) 3 (4) 4 (5) rounds of stockinette stitch.

Next round: knit until 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) stitches before marker.

Divide work into front and back:

Knit 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) sts onto the stitch holder, remove marker, knit 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) more sts onto the same stitch holder, knit 48 (50) 54 (56) 61 (66) sts, knit the next 6 (6) 6 (8) 8 (8) sts onto a stitch holder, knit 48 (50) 54 (56) 61 (66) sts.

Let work rest.

Sleeves (knit 2)

Cast on 28 (28) 32 (32) 32 (36) sts on the 3½ mm double-pointed needles. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round.

Work k2, p2 ribbing until the work measures 3 (3) 3,5 (3,5) 4 (4) cm. Change to 4½ mm double-pointed needles. Work the next round in stockinette stitch while increasing 4 sts evenly across round.

Work 3 (4) 4 (5) 5 (6) rounds in seed stitch.

Knit one round, then purl one round, then knit one round.

Next round: k1, M1, knit to 1 st before end of round, M1, k1.

Work 3 (4) 5 (5) 5 (5) rounds in stockinette stitch.

Work an increase round as above every 4th (5th) 6th (6th) 6th (6th) round a total of 3 (4) 3 (4) 5 (5) times = 38 (40) 42 (44) 46 (50) stitches on the needle.

Continue straight in stockinette stitch until the stockinette part of the sleeve measures 12 (15) 16 (18) 20 (21) cm.

Next round: Purl all sts.

Round 2: Knit all sts.

Now work 5 (6) 8 (11) 11 (12) rounds of seed stitch.

Next round: Knit all sts.

Round 2: Purl all sts.

Work 3 (4) 4 (5) 5 (6) rounds of stockinette stitch.

Next round: Knit 35 (37) 39 (40) 42 (46) sts, knit 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) sts onto a stitch holder, remove marker then knit another 3 (3) 3 (4) 4 (4) sts onto the same stitch holder = 32 (34) 36 (36) 38 (42) sts on the needle.

Knit the remaining stitches from the double-pointed needles onto the circular needle holding the body stitches so that the stitch holder holding the sleeve stitches lies parallel with the stitch holder holding the body stitches.

Repeat for 2nd sleeve.

When both sleeves have been added to the circular needle, there is a total of 160 (168) 180 (184) 198 (216) sts on the needle.

Yoke

Knit 2 (3) 3 (3) 4 (4) sts, place marker, knit 44 (44) 48 (50) 53 (58) sts, place marker, knit 34 (37) 39 (39) 42 (46) sts, place marker, knit 48 (50) 54 (56) 61 (66) sts, place marker. Knit to first marker. This is now the beginning of the round.

Work 2 (2) 5 (6) 7 (7) straight rounds of stockinette stitch.

Round 1: Purl all sts.

Round 2: *Ssk, knit to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker*, repeat from * to * to end of round - a total of 4 times.

Round 3: * k1, work in seed stitch to 2 sts before next marker, k1, slip marker*, repeat from * to * to end of round.

Round 4: * Ssk, work in seed stitch to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker *, repeat from * to * to end of round - a total of 4 rounds.

Round 5: * k1, work in seed stitch to 1 st before marker, k1, slip marker *, repeat from * to * a total of 3 times, k1, work in seed st to 1 st before end of round. Bind off 1 st, remove marker.

Work back and forth from here on out.

Row 1 (rs): Bind off 1 st, * work in seed stitch to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, slip marker, Ssk *, repeat from * to * 2 times more, Work in seed stitch to end of row. Turn.

Row 2: Bind off 2 st, * work in seed stitch to 1 st before marker, p1, slip marker, p1 *, repeat from * to * 2 times more, Work in seed stitch to end of row. Turn. Repeat these 2 rows 0 (1) 2 (3) 3 (4) times more.

Next row: Bind off 2 st, * knit to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker, ssk *, repeat from * to * a total of 3 times, knit to end of row.

Row 2: Bind off 1 st, knit to end of row.

Row 3: Bind off 1 st, * knit to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker, ssk *, repeat from * to * a total of 3 times, knit to end of row.

Row 4: Bind off 1 st, purl to end of row.

Repeat Row 3 and Row 4 another 6 (6) 6 (6) 7 (8) times. There are now 71 (71) 75 (71) 77 (79) sts on the needle.

Short Rows

Row 1: Bind off 1 st, *knit to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker, ssk*, repeat from * to * 2 more times, k4, turn.

Purl to 4 sts after the 2nd marker, turn.

k2, k2tog, slip marker, ssk, knit to 4 sts before next marker, turn.

Purl to 4 sts before next marker, turn. *knit to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, slip marker, ssk*, knit to end of row.

Row 2: Purl across row while evenly decreasing a total of 12 (8) 12 (8) 14 (12) sts.

There are now a total of 48 (52) 52 (52) 52 (56) sts on the needle. Break the yarn.

Neck edge

Begin at the bottom of the left side of the raglan

opening, and pick up 10 (14) 14 (18) 18 (22) sts with a 3½mm circular needle. Place a marker. Work across neck edge sts like this: k1, * p2, k2*, repeat from * to * until there are 3 sts left on the needle, p2, k1. Place marker. Pick up 10 (14) 14 (18) 18 (22) sts along sleeve side of raglan opening.

Row 1 (ws): p3, [* k2, p2*, repeat from * to * until 3 sts before marker, k2, p1, slip marker, p1] repeat from [to] a total of 2 times, * k2, p2*, repeat from * to * until there are 3 sts left on needle, p3.

Row 2 (rs): * Work in rib pattern as established until 1 st before marker, M1, k1, slip marker, k1, M1 *, repeat from * to * a total of 2 times, work sts in established pattern to end of row.

Row 3: Work in pattern until there are 9 (13) 13 (17) 17 (21) sts left on needle: k2tog, yo, * work 2 (2) 2 (4) 4 (6) sts in pattern, k2tog, yo *, repeat from * to * another (0) 1 (1) 1 (1) time(s), p3.

Row 4: Work as Row 2 while working the yos as part of the established pattern.

Row 5: Work as Row 1.

Row 6: Bind off all sts in pattern.

Finishing

Move the sts under the arms from the stitch holders onto double-pointed needles and join the sleeve side sts to the body side sts using Kitchener stitch. Weave in all ends and sew the ribbing to the bottom of the raglan opening. Sew on the buttons.

Gently wash the sweater and let dry on a flat surface.