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DROP STITCH & TEXTURED PULLOVER



Shelob Sweater

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SKILL

Knitting

DIFFICULTY

Intermediate

SIZES

Extra Small (Small, Medium, Large, 1X)
(2X, 3X, 4X, 5X)

Shown in Small size with approx. 8" of positive ease.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 40½ (44, 49¾, 53, 56½) (61¾, 67, 70¾, 76)"

Length: 20½ (21, 21½, 22, 22½) (23, 23½, 24, 24½)"

MATERIALS

Universal Yarn *Deluxe Worsted* (100% wool; 100g/220 yds)

- 14018 Rhapsody (MC) - 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) (6, 6, 7, 8) skeins
- 14002 Pumpkin (CC) - 1 (1, 1, 1, 2) (2, 2, 2, 2) skein(s)

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Needles: US Size 7 (4.5 mm) 16" and 24-40" circular and set of DPNs (or your preferred needle for knitting small circumferences) *or size needed to obtain gauge*

US Size 6 (4 mm) 16" and 24-40" circular and set of DPNs (or your preferred needle for knitting small circumferences)

Notions: Stitch markers, tapestry needle, stitch holders or waste yarn

Note: We recommend using unique markers to denote the bor and charts.

GAUGE

18 sts x 28 rnds = 4" in Stockinette stitch (St st) with larger ndl

Save time, check your gauge.

PATTERN NOTES

Named after the ancient, frightening fictional character in J.R.R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings*, the Shelob Sweater takes seasonal dressing to another level. A dramatic drop stitch yoke nods to mesmerizing and resilient spider webs. From there, shadowy knit-purl spiders dangle down to decorate the body of the sweater, as well as the sleeve cuffs. Knitted in two thrilling seasonal shades of our cozy, warm Deluxe Worsted, this sweater is guaranteed to be your new October favorite!

This sweater is knit seamlessly in the round from the top down. A drop stitch circular yoke creates the 'web' with raglan increases continuing the armhole and bust shaping. Stitches for the body and sleeves are separated at the underarms. The body is worked in the round first,

then sleeve stitches are returned to the needle and worked in the round. Please note that the Spider motifs are charted *only*.

STITCH GUIDE

Make Spoke (MS): P2, slip sts just worked back to LH ndl, purl same 2 sts again.

K1, P1 Rib

(even number of sts)

Rnd 1: * K1, p1; rep from * to end.

Rep Rnd 1 for patt.

Instructions for Dropping Stitches: Carefully remove the next stitch from the left needle, allowing the stitch to unravel to its base. You may need to gently use your hands, a needle, or a crochet hook to pull apart the stitches if they stick together.

PATTERN BEGINS

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Neckband

With smaller 16" circ ndl and CC, cast on 108 (108, 108, 112, 112) (112, 116, 116, 116) sts. PM and join to knit in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Work in K1, P1 Rib until piece meas approx 1" from cast-on edge. Change to larger circ ndl. Break CC, join MC.

Yoke

Note: Change to longer circular needle when there are too many sts to fit comfortably on 16" circular.

Rnd 1: Knit.

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Rnd 2: * MS, yo; rep from * to end – 54 (54, 54, 56, 56) (56, 58, 58, 58) sts inc'd, 162 (162, 162, 168, 168) (168, 174, 174, 174) sts.

Rnds 3-14: * MS, k1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 15: * MS, yo, drop next st; rep from * to end.

After unravelling the drop sts, the fabric will open and the yoke will meas approx. 6" from cast-on edge.

Raglan Shaping

Note 1: You will be working the Spider chart simultaneously with the Raglan shaping.

Note 2: Read through the entire section and follow instructions for your size.

Body and Sleeve shaping occurs at the same time, but at different rates. On some rounds Body and Sleeve increases both occur. If you are on a round where only Body increases occur, knit the Sleeve and purl the raglan sts even.

Note 3: SIZES 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X, & 5X ONLY – You will complete all 57 rnds of the Spider Body Chart before the Raglan shaping is completed. After the chart is completed, work these 52 sts in Stockinette stitch instead.

Set-up Rnd: * P2, place Raglan m, k16 (16, 16, 19, 19) (19, 22, 22, 22) place Raglan m, p2, place Raglan m, k4, place Front Body Chart m, work Rnd 1 of Spider Body Chart over 52 sts, place Front Body Chart m, k4, place Raglan m, p2, place Raglan m, k16 (16, 16, 19, 19) (19, 22, 22, 22), place Raglan m, p2, place Raglan m, k5, place Back Body Chart m, work Rnd 1 of Spider Body Chart over 52 sts, place Back Body Chart m, knit to end.

Inc Rnd: P2, sl m, m1R, knit to m, m1L (2 Sleeve Incs), sl m, p2, sl m, m1R, knit to Front Chart m, work next rnd of Spider Body Chart to m, sl m, knit to m, m1L (2 Body Incs), sl m, p2, sl m, m1R, knit to m, m1L (2 Sleeve Inc'd), sl m, p2, sl m, m1R, knit to m, sl m, work next rnd of Spider Body Chart, sl m, knit to m, m1L (2 Body Incs) – 8 sts inc'd, 170 (170, 170, 176, 176) (176, 182, 182, 182) sts.

Even Rnd: * P2, sl m, knit to m, sl m, p2, sl m, knit to m, work next rnd of Spider Body Chart to m, sl m, knit to m, sl m; rep from * to end.

Rep Body Incs every rnd, 2 (2, 6, 9, 9) (9, 20, 30, 40) times, then rep Body Incs every 2 rnds, 12 (16, 18, 19, 23) (29, 24, 18, 14) more times – 56 (72, 96, 112, 128, 152, 176, 192, 216) total Body sts inc'd.

At the same time:

Rep Sleeve Incs every 2 rnds, 12 (16, 18, 19, 23) (28, 30, 34, 34) more times, then rep Sleeve Incs every rnd, 4 (1, 1, 1, 1) (1, 1, 1, 1) more time(s) – 32 (34, 38, 40, 48) (58, 62, 70, 70) total Sleeve sts inc'd.

After all incs have been completed, there are 90 (98, 110, 118, 126) (138, 150, 158, 170) for the Front Body, 92 (100, 112, 120, 128) (140, 152, 160, 172) sts for the Back Body, 50 (52, 56, 61, 69) (79, 86, 94, 94) sts for each Sleeve and 2 sts between each Raglan marker – 290 (310, 342, 368, 400) (444, 482, 514, 538) total sts.

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Separate Body and Sleeves

Separation Rnd: Leaving bor m in place, * slip 2 Raglan sts, next 50 (52, 56, 61, 69) (79, 86, 94, 94) Sleeve sts, and next 2 Raglan sts to holder or waste yarn, removing markers as you come to them, knit to m, sl m, work next Rnd of Spider Body Chart to m (if necessary), sl m, knit to m, remove m; rep from * to end of rnd - 182 (198, 222, 238, 254) (278, 302, 318, 342) sts rem for Body.

Next Rnd: * Knit to m, sl m, work next Rnd of Spider Body Chart to m (if necessary), sl m; rep from * to end.

Cont even in patt as est'd until you have completed working the Spider Body Chart (if necessary). Once Spider Body Chart is complete, work all sts even in St st until piece meas 9 (8½, 7¾, 7½, 6¾) (4¾, 6, 6¾, 7)" from underarm. Break MC. Join CC.

Hem

Change to smaller ndls.

Rnd 1: Knit.

Work in K1, P1 Rib until piece meas approx. 10½ (9¾, 9¼, 9, 8½) (6¼, 7½, 8¼, 8½)" cast-on edge. Bind off all sts in patt.

Sleeves

Make both alike.

With larger DPNs or your preferred ndl for knitting small circumferences, MC, and beg at center of underarm, pick up and knit 2 sts along the gap in the underarm, k54 (56, 60, 65, 73) (83, 90, 98, 98) held Sleeve sts, pick up and knit 2 along the gap in the underarm, pm to denote bor - 58 (60, 64, 69, 77) (87, 94, 102, 102) sts.

Large, 1X, 2X Sizes ONLY:

Rnd 1: K1, kfb, knit to end - 1 st inc'd, 70 (78, 88) sts.

ALL SIZES:

58 (60, 64, 70, 78) (88, 94, 102, 102) sts.
Work even in St st until Sleeve meas approx. 13" from underarm.

Dec Rnd: * K2tog; rep from * to end - 29 (30, 32, 35, 39) (44, 47, 51, 51) sts dec'd, 29 (30, 32, 35, 39) (44, 47, 51, 51) sts rem.

Extra Small, Large, 1X, 3X, 4X, 5X Sizes ONLY:

Dec Rnd: K1, k2tog, knit to end - 1 st dec'd, 28 (34, 38, 48, 50, 50) sts rem.

ALL SIZES:

28 (30, 32, 34, 38) (44, 46, 50, 50) sts.
Break MC, join CC. Change to smaller ndls.

Set-up Rnd: K7 (8, 9, 10, 12) (15, 16, 18, 18) sts, pm, k14, pm, knit to end.

Next Rnd: Knit to m, sl m, work Row 1 of Spider Cuff Chart to m, sl m, knit to end.

Cont even as est'd through end of Spider Cuff Chart.

Knit 6 rnds.

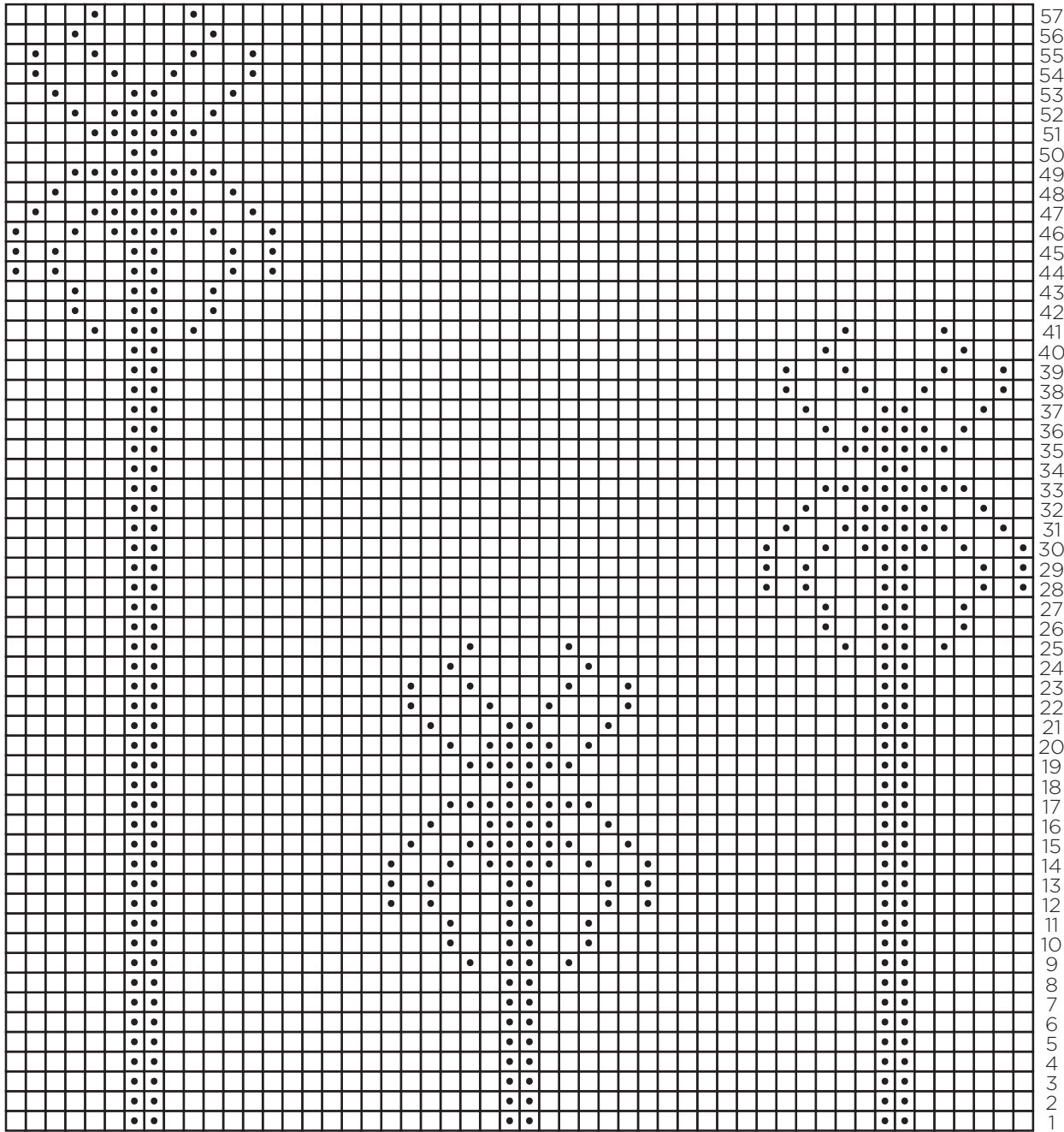
Bind off all sts kwise.

FINISHING

Gently wash and block to finished measurements. Weave in ends.

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Spider Body Chart



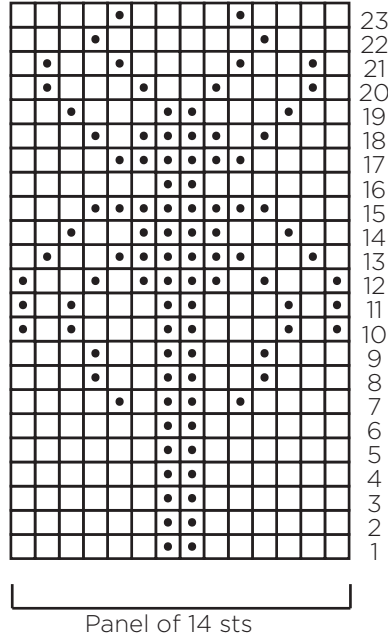
Panel of 52 sts

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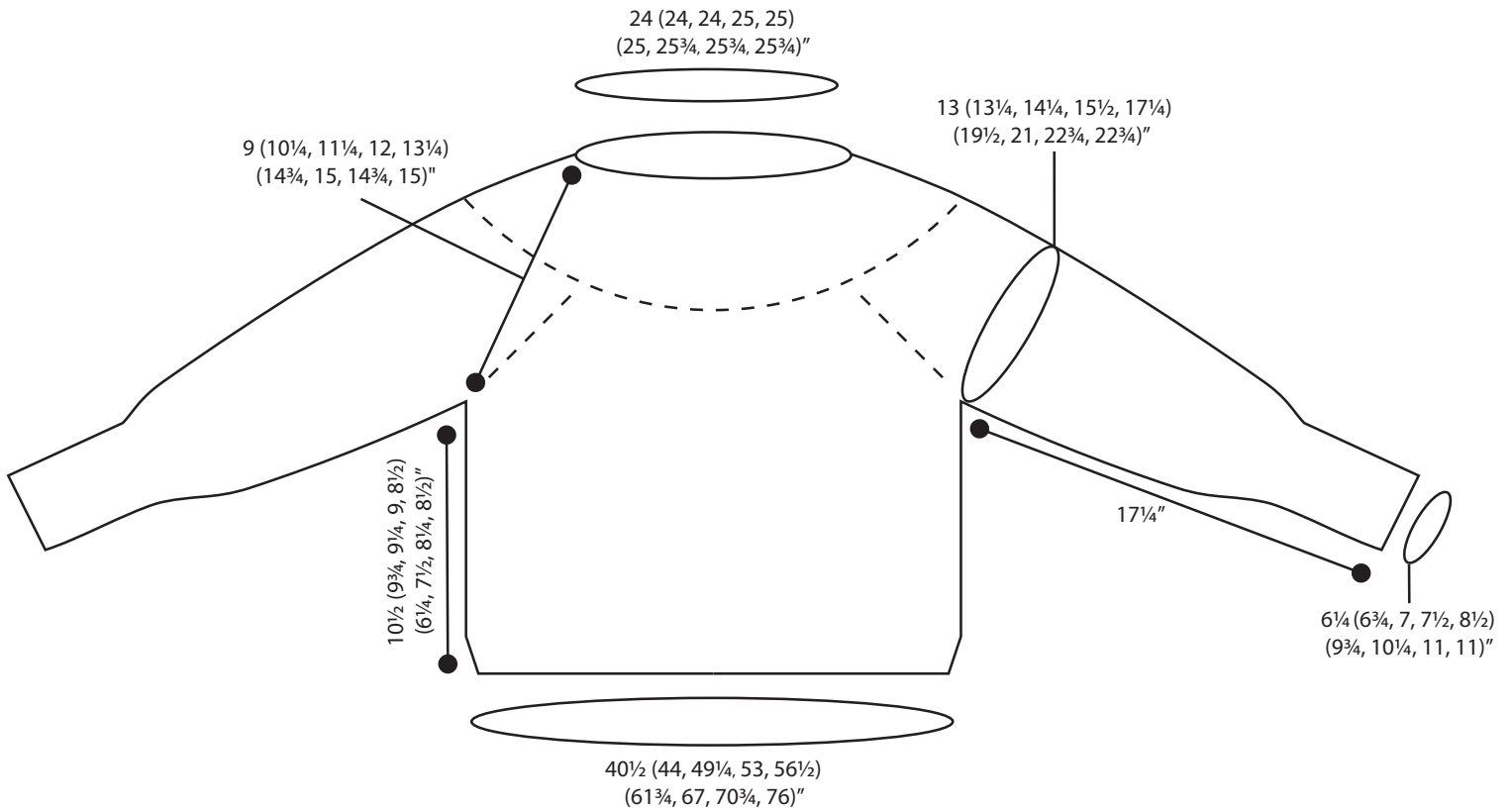
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Spider Cuff Chart



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ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	patt	pattern
beg	begin(ning)	pm	place marker
bor	beginning of rnd	rem	remain(ing)
CC	contrast color	rep	repeat
circ	circular	rnd(s)	round(s)
cont	continue	sl	slip
dec('d)	decrease(d)	St st	Stockinette stitch (knit on RS rows, purl on WS rows; in the rnd, knit every rnd)
dpn(s)	double pointed needle(s)	st(s)	stitch(es)
inc('d)	increase(d)	tog	together
k	knit	yo	yarn over
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together (1 st dec'd)		
kfb	knit into front and back of next st (1 st inc'd)		
kwise	knitwise		
LH	left hand		
m	marker		
m1L	insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl this st through the back loop (1 st inc'd)		
m1R	insert left needle from back to front under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl this st through the front loop (1 st inc'd)		
MC	main color		
meas	measures		
ndl	needle		
p	purl		

Knit, Relax, Smile, Repeat!

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