# Melo

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**MANOS DEL URUGUAY**

## SIZES
Finished bust circumference: 32 (36½, 40, 44½, 48, 52½, 56)".
Length: 22 (22¾, 23¼, 24, 24½, 25¼, 26)"
Sweater shown measures 36½".
This piece is meant to fit with 1–2" of positive ease.

## MATERIALS
Manos del Uruguay SERENA (60% baby alpaca, 40% pima cotton; approx. 50g/170 yds) (MC), 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4) sk
Manos del Uruguay MAXIMA (100% extra fine merino wool; 100g/219 yds) (CC), 1 (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) sk.
Shown in #S2590 Natural (MC) and #M2349 Oxygen (CC).

US #7/4.5mm 24 (32, 32, 32, 40, 40, 40)" circular needle and 16" circular needle, or size to obtain gauge.
two differently colored ring markers
2 large stitch holders

## GAUGE
18 stitches and 27 rounds/rows = 4" over Stripe Pattern.

## STITCH GUIDE
*Stripe Pattern* (over any number of stitches)
*Worked in the round:*
Rounds 1–14: With MC, knit.
Change to CC, but do not break MC.
Rnd 15: Knit.
Rnd 16: Purl.
Break CC and change back to MC.
Repeat Rounds 1–16 for pattern.
*Worked Flat:*
Rows 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 and 13 (WS): With MC, purl.
Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14 (RS): With MC, knit.
Change to CC, but do not break MC.
Row 15 (WS): Purl.
Row 16 (RS): Purl
Break CC and change back to MC.
Repeat Rows 1–16 for pattern.

*Cable Cast-on Method*: Hold needles so yarn is attached to left needle. *Insert right-hand needle knitwise into first stitch on left-hand needle, wrap the yarn around the needle and pull through as to make a knit stitch, leaving the first stitch on the left hand needle. Slip the stitch just made onto the left hand needle; repeat from * for required number of stitches.

*Three-Needle BO*: Slip the stitches from holders onto each of 2 needles. With the right sides held together (to form ridge on inside of garment), hold the needles parallel. With a third needle, knit the first stitch of the front and back needles together, *knit next stitch from each needle together (2 stitches on right-hand needle), bind off 1 stitch; repeat from * until all stitches are bound off.

## ABBREVIATIONS
beg: begin(ning)
CC: contrast color
k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 stitches together
MC: main color
p: purl
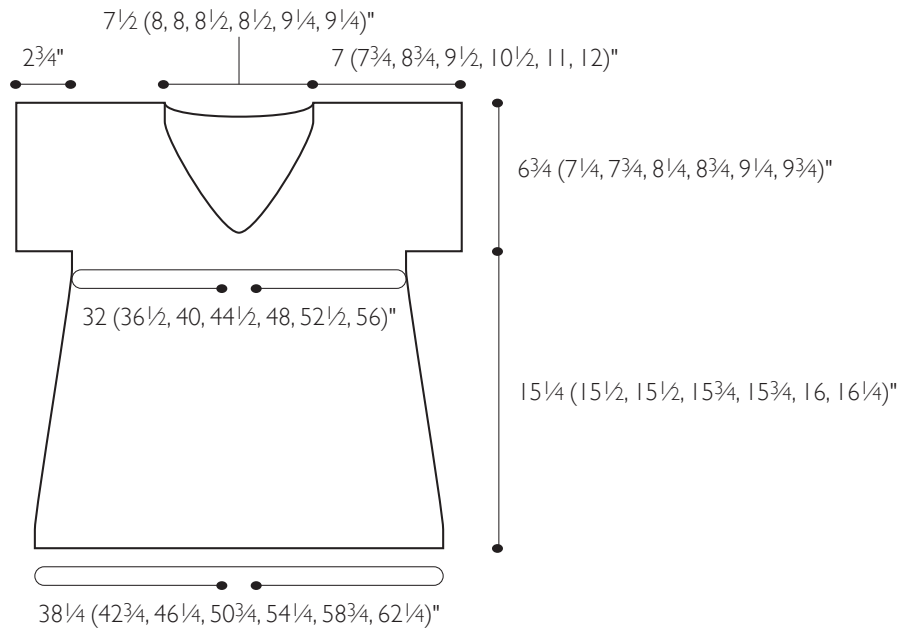p2tog: purl 2 stitches together
pm: place marker
RS: right side
ssk: slip 2 stitches separately knitwise, then slip them back to the left hand needle purlwise and knit them together through the back loop.
ssp: slip 2 stitches separately knitwise, then slip them back to the left hand needle purlwise and purl them together through the back loop.
WS: wrong side

## NOTE
Use two different-colored markers to easily tell the difference between the beg of round marker and the side marker.

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7½ (8, 8, 8½, 8½, 9¼, 9¼)"

2¾"

7 (7¾, 8¾, 9½, 10½, 11, 12)"

6¾ (7¼, 7¾, 8¼, 8¾, 9¼, 9¾)"

32 (36½, 40, 44½, 48, 52½, 56)"

15¼ (15½, 15½, 15¾, 15¾, 16, 16¼)"

38¼ (42¾, 46¼, 50¾, 54¼, 58¾, 62¼)"

*INSTRUCTIONS*
*BODY*
With CC and longer circular needle, cast on 172 (192, 208, 228, 244, 264, 280) stitches. Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist stitches. Pm to show beg of round.

Round 1: Purl.
Round 2: Knit.
Round 3: P86 (96, 104, 114, 122, 132, 140), pm for side, purl to end.

Join MC and beg Stripe Pattern while working as follows:
Work 10 rounds.

*Shape Sides*
Decrease Round: *K2tog, knit to 2 stitches before marker, ssk, sl marker; repeat from * once more. [168 (188, 204, 224, 240, 260, 276) stitches]
Work 13 (13, 13, 13, 13, 13, 14) rounds even.
Repeat the last 14 (14, 14, 14, 14, 14, 14, 15) rounds 5 more times, then work decrease round once more. [144 (164, 180, 200, 216, 236, 252) stitches]

Then work even in Stripe Pattern until piece measures 15¼ (15½, 15½, 15¾, 15¾, 16, 16¼)'' from cast on edge, ending after an even-numbered round.

*Split Back from Front, and Cast On Sleeves*
Remove beg of round marker, turn.

Row 1 (WS): Use the cable method and same color yarn as last row to cast on 12 stitches, work next row of Stripe Pattern to side marker, remove marker, turn.
Row 2 (RS): Use the cable method and same color yarn as last row to cast on 12 stitches, work next row of Stripe Pattern to end of row, turn. [96 (106, 114, 124, 132, 142, 150) stitches for back]
Place the stitches for the front onto a stitch holder or waste yarn and continue working back and forth on the back stitches only.

*BACK*
Work even in Stripe Pattern until piece measures 5¼ (6, 6¼, 6¾, 7, 7¾, 8¼)'' from sleeve cast-on, ending after a WS row.

*Neck Shaping*
Work 36 (40, 44, 48, 52, 55, 59) stitches in Stripe Pattern, ssk, k1, join a second ball of yarn, bind off 18 (20, 20, 22, 22, 26, 26) stitches (1 st remains on right needle after gap), k2tog, work in Stripe Pattern to end. [38 (42, 46, 50, 54, 57, 61) stitches on each side]

Continue working both sides at the same time, with separate balls of yarn, as follows:
Row 1 (WS): Work in Stripe Pattern to 3 stitches before neck edge, p2tog, p1; on other side: p1, ssp, work in Stripe Pattern to

end. [37 (41, 45, 49, 53, 56, 60) stitches each side]
Row 2 (RS): Work in Stripe Pattern to 3 stitches before neck edge, ssk, k1; on other side: k1, k2tog, work in Stripe Pattern to end. [36 (40, 44, 48, 52, 55, 59) stitches each side]
Repeat the last 2 rows 2 more times, then work Row 1 once more. [31 (35, 39, 43, 47, 50, 54) stitches each side]

Work even until piece measures 6¾ (7¼, 7¾, 8¼, 8¾, 9¼, 9¾)" from sleeve cast-on, ending after a WS row. Place stitches onto a stitch holder or waste yarn. Break yarns.

*FRONT*
Return 72 (82, 90, 100, 108, 118, 126) held front stitches onto longer circular needle and attach yarn to beg working a WS row. Continue working in Stripe Pattern as follows:

*Sleeve Shaping*
Row 1 (WS): Use the cable method to cast on 12 stitches, work to end of held stitches, turn. [84 (94, 102, 112, 120, 130, 138) stitches]
Row 2 (RS): Use the cable method to cast on 12 stitches, work to end of row. [96 (106, 114, 124, 132, 142, 150) stitches]

Work even in Stripe Pattern for 1", ending after a WS row.

*Neck Shaping*
Work 45 (50, 54, 59, 63, 68, 72) stitches in Stripe Pattern, ssk, k1, join a second ball of yarn, k1, k2tog, work in Stripe Pattern to end. [47 (52, 56, 61, 65, 70, 74) stitches on each side]

Continue working both sides at the same time, with separate balls of yarn, as follows:
Row 1 (WS): Work in Stripe Pattern to neck edge; on other side: work in Stripe Pattern to end of row.
Row 2 (RS): Work in Stripe Pattern to 3 stitches before neck edge, ssk, k1; on other side, k1, k2tog, work in Stripe Pattern to end.
Repeat the last 2 rows 15 (16, 16, 17, 17, 19, 19) more times. [31 (35, 39, 43, 47, 50, 54) stitches on each side]

Work even until piece measures 6¾ (7¼, 7¾, 8¼, 8¾, 9¼, 9¾)" from sleeve cast-on, ending after a WS row. Place stitches onto a stitch holder or waste yarn. Do not break yarns.

*FINISHING*
Use the three needle bind-off to join right front shoulder to right back shoulder, then join left front shoulder to left back shoulder. Sew underarm seams.
Block piece to measurements.

*Neck Trim*
With CC and 16" circular needle, beg at right shoulder. Pick up and knit 6 stitches to back neck bound-off stitches, 16 (17, 17, 18, 18, 21, 21) stitches across bound-off stitches, 6 stitches to left shoulder seam, 30 (33, 33, 35, 35, 37, 37) stitches along left front, then 30 (33, 33, 35, 35, 37, 37) stitches along right front to shoulder seam. [88 (95, 95, 100, 100, 107, 107) stitches] Pm to indicated beg of round.
Purl 1 round. Bind off loosely knitwise.

Weave in ends.