

Softie

chunky



Top down sweater
by josiekitten



Easy
stripe
sequence

no
sewing
up



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Top Down Sweater by josiekitten in Softie Chunky

Circle the size you wish to make

MEASUREMENTS

To Fit Chest/Bust	cm	81-86	91-97	102-107	112-117	122-127
	in	32-34	36-38	40-42	44-46	48-50
Actual Measurement	cm	91.5	101.5	111.5	121.5	131.5
	in	36	40	44	47 ¾	51 ¾
Full Length	cm	59	62	66	66	70
	in	23 ¼	24 ½	26	26 ¾	27 ½
Sleeve Length	cm	40	44	44	48	48
	in	15 ¾	17 ¼	17 ¼	19	19

YOU WILL NEED

Top Down Sweater

Softie Chunky 100g balls

A Coral (2361)	2	3	3	4	4
B Fig (3987)	1	1	2	2	2
C Raspberry (3110)	2	2	2	3	3
D Rosehip (3984)	1	1	1	1	2

7mm (UK2-USA-) circular needles length 60cm and 80cm and set of double pointed needles

8mm (UK0-USA11) circular needles length 60cm and 80cm and set double pointed needles

Stitch holders and 4 stitch markers (1 distinct).

Note: The sleeves are worked in the round – you can work these using a set of double pointed needles or using the magic loop method with a long circular needle.

ABBREVIATIONS

alt alternate	k knit	ssk slip next two stitches knitwise onto right hand needle. From the left, put the left hand needle into the front of slipped stitches and knit them together.
beg beginning	mm millimetre(s)	
cm centimetre(s)	p purl	
cont continue	pm place marker	
dec decrease(ing)	rep repeat	st(s) stitch(es)
fol following	rs right side	st-st stocking stitch (k every round)
g grammes	sm slip marker	tog together
in inch(es)		ws wrong side
inc increase(ing)		

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

m1R right leaning increase - lift the strand between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left needle from back to front and knit the lifted loop through the front of the loop

m1Rp (worked on the wrong side rows) - lift the strand between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left needle from back to front and purl the lifted loop through the front of the loop

m1L left leaning increase - lift the strand between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left needle from front to back and knit the lifted loop through the back of the loop

m1Lp (worked on the wrong side rows) - lift the strand between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left needle from front to back and purl the lifted loop through the back of the loop

BOR beginning of round

W&T wrap next st by slipping next st from left needle to right needle, taking yarn to opposite side of work between needles and then slipping same st back onto left needle and then turn work - when working back across wrapped sts, pick up and work the wrapping loop and the wrapped st tog as one st so that the wrapping loop is to the wrong side of your work (this may involve slipping the stitch and the loop to rearrange them).

It is essential to work to the stated tension to ensure the correct size of garment and you should always knit a tension square.

If there are less sts and rows to 10 cm, 4 in, change to finer needles if there are more sts and rows to 10 cm, 4 in, change to larger needles. The yarn amounts stated are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. After casting off, one stitch will remain on the right hand needle which is not included in the instructions that follow. Instructions are given for the first, smallest size. Larger sizes are given in square brackets. Where only one figure is given, this applies to all sizes. Where the figure 0 appears, no stitches, times, or rows are worked for this size. After casting off, one stitch will remain on the right hand needle which is not included in the instructions that follow. Although every effort has been made to ensure that instructions are correct, Stylecraft cannot accept any liabilities.

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NOTE: This jumper is knitted in the round from the top down, which gives you the opportunity to try it on as you go and there is no sewing up.

TENSION

12 sts and 18 rows to 10 cm, 4 in, over striped st st on 8mm needles or the size required to give the correct tension.

STRIPE SEQUENCE

Please remember this is the stripe sequence as worked from the top down.

Rounds 1 to 8: Use colour B

Rounds 9 to 16: Use colour C

Rounds 17 to 24: Use colour D

Rounds 25 to 32: Use colour A

Rounds 1 to 32 form stripe sequence for striped st st and are repeated.

JUMPER (worked downwards in one piece to armholes beg at neckband)

Using 7mm double pointed needles and colour A cast on 70[74:74:82:82] sts.

Join to work in the round being careful not to twist cast-on edge and place distinct marker to indicate BOR (back Right raglan "seam").

Neckband

Round 1: *P1, k1; rep from * to end.

This round forms rib.

[Slipping marker at beg of every round, cont in rib for a further 39 rounds.

Yoke

Change to 8mm needles.

Next round: K8[8:10:10:10], pm, k27[29:27:31:31], pm, k8[8:10:10:10], pm, k27[29:27:31:31].

Last round places 3 markers – there are now 4 markers, 1 at each raglan 'seam'.

Shape front neck and raglans

Short rows are now worked to create a neck opening that is lower at the front than the back.

They can be thought of as partial rounds, working back and forth in rows and turning the work before the round is finished.

A stitch is wrapped before turning to avoid leaving holes in the fabric, see "W&T" in the abbreviations section for further explanation.

Additionally, increases are worked to shape the raglans at the same time.

Short Row 1 (rs): K1, m1L, k to 1 st before marker, m1R, k1, sm, k1, m1L, k1, W&T - 3 sts increased.

Short Row 2 (ws): P to BOR, *sm, p1, m1Lp, p to 1 st before next marker, m1Rp, p1, rep from * once more, sm, p1, m1Lp, p1, W&T - 5 sts increased.

Short Row 3: K to BOR, sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1, sm, k1, m1L, k3 (remembering to pick up the wrapping loop from the previous row and knitting it tog with the st it wrapped), W&T - 3 sts increased.

Short Row 4: P to BOR, *sm, p1, m1Lp, p to 1 st before next marker, m1Rp, p1, rep from * once more, sm, p1, m1Lp, p3 (remembering to pick up the wrapping loop from the previous row and purling it tog with the st it wrapped), W&T - 5 sts increased.

Short Row 5 (rs): K to BOR, sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1, sm, k1, m1L, k5, W&T - 3 sts increased.

Short Row 6: P to BOR, *sm, p1, m1Lp, p to 1 st before next marker, m1Rp, p1, rep from * once more, sm, p1, m1Lp, p5, W&T - 5 sts increased.

Short Row 7: K to BOR, sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1, sm, k1, m1L, k7, W&T - 3 sts increased.

Short Row 8: P to BOR, *sm, p1, m1Lp, p to 1 st before next marker, m1Rp, p1, rep from * once more, sm, p1, m1Lp, p7, W&T - 5 sts increased.

Short Row 9: K to BOR.
102[106:106:114:114] sts.

Resume working in the round over all sts, rounds beg and end at BOR marker as before.

When there are too many sts to comfortably fit on double-pointed needles, change to circular needle of same size.

Break off colour A, join in colour B and now using colours as given for stripe sequence beg at round 1 (see above), work rounds of striped

st st and shaping AT THE SAME TIME as follows:

Next round: (Sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1) 4 times - 8 sts increased.

Next round: Knit.

Rep last 2 rows 1[3:7:8:10] more times. 118[138:170:186:202] sts.

First and 2nd sizes only

Next round: (Sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1, sm, k to next marker) twice - 4 sts increased.

Next round: Knit.

Next round: (Sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1) 4 times - 8 sts increased

Next round: Knit.

Rep last 4 rows 3[2] more times. 166[174] sts.

5th size only

Next round: (Sm, k to next marker, sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1,) twice. 206 sts increased.

Next round: Knit.

Next round: (Sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1) 4 times. 214 sts.

Next round: Knit.

All sizes

Next round: Knit.

Next round: Knit.

Next round: (Sm, k1, m1L, k to 1 st before next marker, m1R, k1) 4 times - 8 sts increased.

Next round: Knit.

Rep last 4 rows 1[2:4:4:2] more times. 182[198:210:226:238] sts.

Divide for body and sleeves

Next round (RS): Remove BOR marker, slip first 40[42:44:46:48] sts onto a holder (or a length of smooth, waste yarn) for first sleeve, turn, cast on 4[4:6:6:8] sts (for underarm), turn, k across next 51[57:61:67:71] sts of front, slip next 40[42:44:46:48] sts onto a holder for second sleeve, turn, cast on 4[4:6:6:8] sts (for underarm), turn, k across 51[57:61:67:71] sts of back and then k2[2:3:3:4] more sts, replace BOR marker.
110[122:134:146:158] sts.

Body

Keeping stripes correct, cont straight until body measures approx. 29[30:31:31:33.5]cm, 11½[11¾:12:12:13¼]in (or desired length) from cast-on sts at

underarm, ending after completing an 8 rows stripe.

Change to 7mm circular needle.

If using any colour other than colour A, break off yarn and join in colour A.

Work in rib as given for neckband for 6cm, 2½in.

Cast off in rib.

SLEEVES (worked downwards from yoke)

Using set of 8mm double-pointed needles and appropriate colour to keep stripes correct, start sleeve as follows:

Round 1 (RS): With RS facing, starting at the centre of the under arm cast-on for the body, pick up and knit 2[2:3:3:4] sts from underarm cast on, k across sts on sleeve holder, pick up and knit 2[2:3:3:4] sts from underarm cast on. 44[46:50:52:56] sts.

Place marker after last st worked to indicate beg and end of rounds and cont in the round for rest of sleeve. Keeping stripes correct, work 8 rounds.

Next round: K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1. 42[44:48:50:54] sts.

Cont in striped st st throughout and working all sleeve decreases as set by last round, dec 1 st at each end of every foll 4th[4th:4th:4th:alt] round to 36[38:32:36:50] sts, then on every foll 6th[6th:6th:6th:4th] round until 28[30:30:32:32] sts remain.

Cont straight until sleeve measures approx. 40[44:44:48:48]cm, 15¾[17¼:17¼:19:19]in from sts cast-on for underarm, ending after completing an 8 rows stripe. Continue on 8mm needles.

If using any colour other than colour A, break off yarn and join in colour A.

Work in rib as given for neckband for 6cm, 2½in.

Cast off in rib.

MAKING UP

Neatly weave in all loose ends on ws.

Pin out garment to the measurements given.

Cover with a clean, damp tea towel and leave to dry.

See ball band for washing and further care instructions.

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