

DIAMONDS TOP

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ABOUT THE PATTERN

The Diamonds top is a beautiful pattern worked in the round from the bottom up, completely seamless. A delicate lace pattern emphasizes the hem, and beads add extra interest to the neckline, hem, and cuffs. After working the desired body length, which is very easy to modify to a crop or full-length version according to your preferences, the front and back are worked flat with decreases to shape the armhole.

SIZES



1 (2, 3, 4, 5, 6) (7, 8, 9, 10)

Recommended ease: positive ease 0 to 4 cm / 0 to 1.5". The pictures show size 1 and crop version, in 80 cm / 32" bust.

SUGGESTED NEEDLES AND CABLES



- **Main needles:** 3.5 mm / US 4, or size needed to obtain gauge.
- **Cable lengths:** Body: 80 cm / 32" / Sleeves and neck: preferred needles for small circumference knitting (Magic Loop or DPNs).

BEADS



Bead 1: Toho 6/0 / round / colorway: gold / 11 (12, 13, 14, 16, 16) (17, 18, 18, 20) beads approx.

Bead 2: Toho 8/0 / round / colorway: gold / 5 (8, 10, 12, 16, 16) (18, 20, 22, 24) g approx.

Bead 3: Miyuki 4mm / square / colorway: gold / 25 (28, 32, 34, 36, 36) (38, 42, 42, 46) g approx.

Bead 4: Miyuki 6/0 / round / colorway: picasso / 14 (18, 20, 22, 24, 24) (28, 30, 30, 34) g approx.

NOTIONS



- Crochet hook 0.75 mm.
- Row counter (recommended).
- Stitch marker.
- Tapestry needle.
- Waste yarn or stitch holders.

GAUGE



22 stitches x 28 rounds = 10 cm / 4"

Measured over stockinette stitch after blocking, worked in the round with main needles. Make another swatch in flat because sometimes the gauge changes, and you must adjust your needles for the armhole.

YARNS



Fingering Weight

Crop Length Version: 125 (150, 200, 250, 275, 300) (350, 400, 425, 450) g / 400 (480, 640, 800, 880, 960) (1120, 1280, 1360, 1440) m / 437 (525, 700, 875, 962, 1050) (1225, 1400, 1488, 1575) yd.

Full Length Version: 150 (200, 250, 275, 300, 350) (400, 425, 450, 475) g / 480 (640, 800, 880, 960, 1120) (1280, 1360, 1440, 1520) m / 525 (700, 875, 962, 1050, 1225) (1400, 1487, 1575, 1662) yd.

Suggested yarn: Koigu / KPM, 100% merino, 160 m - 50 g / 175 yd - 1.75 oz / 3 (3, 4, 5, 6, 6) (7, 8, 9, 9) skeins Crop Length Version / 3 (4, 5, 6, 6, 7) (8, 9, 9, 10) skeins Full Length Version / colorway: petrol.

PATTERN NOTES

Note°1: You can knit with or without beads if you wish.

Note°2: The total amount of beads needed will vary according to their size.

Note°3: Before starting your project, make a swatch to ensure you are getting gauge and that your sweater will come out to the correct final measurements. If you have more stitches per inch than indicated, your tension is tighter, and you must go up a needle size or two. If you have fewer stitches per inch than indicated, your tension is looser, and you need to go down a needle size or two.

Note°4: Rows are worked flat and Rounds are worked in-the-round.

Note°5: The text in lilac are video links.

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

A) Bust circumference total:

80 (87, 94.5, 102, 109, 116) (123.5, 138, 145.5, 160) cm approx.
32 (34.75, 37.75, 40.75, 43.5, 46.5) (49.5, 55.25, 58.25, 64)" approx.

B) Armhole Depth:

17 (18, 18.5, 20, 21, 22) (23, 24, 25, 26) cm approx.
6.75 (7.25, 7.5, 8, 8.5, 8.75) (9.25, 9.5, 10, 10.5)" approx.

C) Total Length Full Version:

44 (45, 46.5, 49, 50, 53) (54, 55, 57, 58) cm approx.
17.5 (18, 18.5, 19.5, 20, 21.25) (21.5, 22, 22.75, 23.25)" approx.

C) Total Length Cropped Version:

41 (42, 43.5, 46, 47, 50) (51, 52, 54, 55) cm approx.
16.5 (16.75, 17.5, 18.5, 18.75, 20) (20.5, 20.75, 21.5, 22)" approx.

D) Length from Armhole to Hem Full Version:

27 (27, 28, 29, 29, 30) (31, 31, 32, 32) cm approx.
10.75 (10.75, 11.25, 11.5, 11.5, 12) (12.5, 12.5, 12.75, 12.75)" approx.

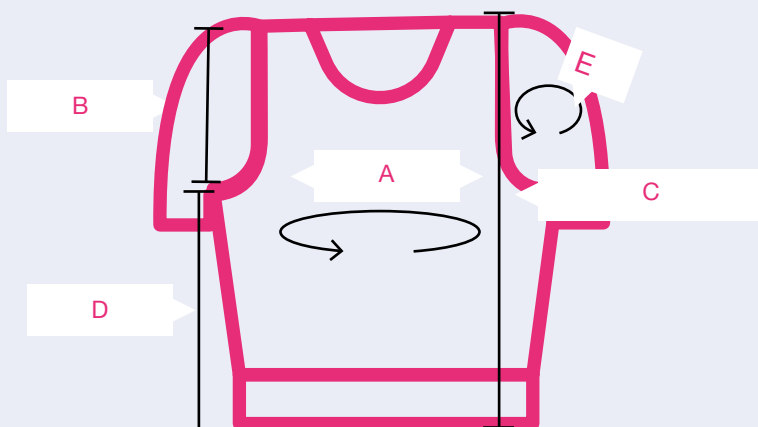
D) Length from Armhole to Hem Crop Version:

24 (24, 25, 26, 26, 27) (28, 28, 29, 29) cm approx.
9.5 (9.5, 10, 10.5, 10.5, 10.75) (11.25, 11.25, 11.5, 11.5)" approx.

E) Upper Arm:

40 (42, 43.5, 47, 50, 53) (54, 58, 60, 63) cm approx.
16 (16.75, 17.25, 18.75, 20, 21.25) (21.5, 23.25, 24, 25.2)" approx.

SCHEMATIC



To measure the armhole depth, place your tape measure on the highest part of the shoulder (where the shoulder bone protrudes) and count until the underarm. Place the tape measure right under both underarms to calculate the bust circumference. When choosing your size, I recommend that you decide it based on the bust circumference. Still, if you find that the size you selected has a very armhole depth, you can adjust it by working the instructions for size with the armhole depth measurements closer to your preferences. Working different instructions for the armhole depth will also require working the neckline shaping and sleeves to the new instructions.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

Wrap and turn (W&T)

Work until the stitch you wish to wrap; with yarn in back, insert the right needle tip purlwise into the next stitch, and slip it to the right needle, bring the yarn to the front, slip the wrapped stitch back to the left needle, turn the work and work the next row.

I-Cord Bind Off (clockwise)

Cast on 3 stitches and slip them back to the left needle. [knit 2 stitches, slip 1 stitch as if to knit, slip the next stitch as if to knit, place slipped stitches back onto the left needle and knit them together through the back loop, slip 3 stitches back onto left needle], rep [-] until all stitches have been bound off. Bind off 3 stitches from left needle.

Central Bead of 3 stitches (CB)

Insert the bead in your crochet hook, then pass the first stitch to the crochet and leave it there. You pass the second stitch to the right-hand needle, and the third stitch passes to the crochet, then insert the bead in the two stitches that you left in the crochet. Now you return them to the left toothpick in the following order: you return the first stitch of the crochet, one of the needles, and the last ones in the crochet. Now you knit one by one knitwise (they do not knit together).

Hook Bead (HB)

Place the beads on the crochet hook. With the same crochet, take out the stitch, insert the bead, place the stitch again on the needle, and knit it (do not twist the stitch).

- Backward Loop Method: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=605viQROsqE>
- Central Bead: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tXulBVBUUhQ>
- Hook Bead: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCwG2K6pXyM>
- Magic Loop: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-R6yPAQyzzk>
- M1L: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lf4d5H90sbA>
- Ssk: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NP27zINSoz0>
- Wrap and turn: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l3BrIMldO-c>

ABBREVIATIONS

[-]: repeat from *to*

PM: place marker

approx: approximately

puk: pick up and knit

BOR: beginning of the round

pup: pick up and purl

BO: bind off

rem: remain

CB: central bead

RM: remove marker

CO: cast on

Rnd/s: round/s

cont: continue/d

Rep: repeat

HB: Hook bead

RS: right side

k2tog: knit two stitches together (1 st decreased)

yo: yarn over

k: knit

sm: slide marker

m: marker

st/s: stitch/es

m1L: make one left

ssk: slip slip and knit

p: purl

W&T: wrap and turn

patt: pattern

WS: wrong side

