

UNICORN SWEATER FACTSHEET (KIDDO VERSION)



Unicorn is a playful sort of sweater with a big intarsia unicorn face, a unicorn-mane stripe wrapping all the way around the back, and cheery stripes on the sleeves.

It's a raglan-shaped sweater, and designed to be worn with a little ease in the body (5 - 10cm) - although you might also want to knit it with a bit of growing room.

It's very easy to made adjustments to the sleeve and sweater length.



SIZE CHART

size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
age	6 months	1 year	2 years	4 years	6 years	8 years	10 years	12 years
a: chest circumference	42.5	45	50	55	60	65	70	75
b: collar circumference	33	35	35	38	40	42	42	44
c: yoke depth	12	12.5	13	14	15	16	17	18
d: underarm to hem	15	16.5	19	22	25	29	32	34
e: underarm to wrist	16	17.5	20	24	27	32	36	38
f: upper arm circumference	18	19	21	22	23	24	26	28
g: cuff circumference	14	14	16	16	16	16	18	18

All measurements provided here are for the finished sweater - you should choose the size that gives you the correct amount of ease. All measurements are in centimetres.

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YARN REQUIREMENTS

size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
MC	225	265	325	385	445	535	625	720
UC	10	15	15	15	20	20	25	25
CC1	20	20	20	30	30	35	35	35
CC2	20	20	20	25	30	30	30	30
CC3	20	20	20	25	25	25	30	30
CC4	15	15	25	25	25	25	30	30
eye	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
horn	1	2	2	2	2	2	4	4
Extra length (MC)	15	15	20	20	20	25	25	25

Yarn requirements include a 10 - 15% contingency for the main colour, to allow for swatching and for minor variations in gauge, and a 15 - 20 % contingency for the mane and unicorn colours, to allow for a little extra yarn waste while working the intarsia. All yarn requirements are in metres.

CHOOSING A YARN

Any DK weight, sweater-suitable yarn should be fine for this sweater. I find that a wool or wool-blend yarn can help keep my intarsia joins neater.

For knitting sweaters I definitely prefer a more robust plied yarn rather than a single or anything too fluffy. I like my sweaters to stand up to repeated wearing and washing.

If you're knitting for kids - especially younger kids - a machine-washable yarn is probably a good idea.

GAUGE

Gauge: **22 stitches and 28 rows to 10cm**, worked in stocking stitch, measured on a washed, blocked swatch. I used a 3.75mm needle to get this gauge.

Getting the correct gauge is necessary to have your sweater match the size in the size chart. Stitch gauge is more important than row gauge, if you're struggling to get both correct.