

Japanese Maple Pullover

A textured pullover knitted in a 'bouclé' stitch from regular worsted wool yarn. It features a curved hem and a contrasting color panel in the center. This relaxed-fit, long-sleeved top will keep you warm and cozy through the cold season.

Size: Women's M/L

LEVEL OF SKILLS

Intermediate

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 48"/122 cm

Length, center back (incl. collar): 25.5"/65 cm Length, center front (incl. collar): 22"/56 cm Armhole depth (underarm to shoulder): 8"/20 cm Arm length (to underarm, incl. curled cuff): 17"/43 cm

YARN

Worsted medium-weight wool yarn 4-ply (110yds/100m, 1.75oz/50g per skein): Main (darker) color: 9 skeins

Contrasting (lighter) color: 2 skeins

Total 11 skeins



RECOMMENDED NEEDLES & HOOK

US #8 (5 mm) straight needles (10"/25 cm or longer) or circular needle (24"/60 cm) for main knit Optional US #10 (6 mm) needle for cast-on US #8 (5 mm) circular needle (24"/60) for hem Crochet hook (3 mm) for collar straps

NOTIONS

Markers, yarn needle

GAUGE

16 sts/24 rows = 4"/10 cm in pattern stitch

ABBREVIATIONS

k: knit p: purl

st(s): stitch(es)
rs: right side
ws: wrong side
bea: beainning

MC: main color (darker color) **CC:** contrasting color (lighter color)

pat: pattern

CO: cast on pm: place marker

m: marker

k2tog: knit 2 sts together

ssk: slip, slip, knit
rep: repeat(s)
cont: continue

approx: approximate



Notes

The sweater consists of 4 pieces: front, back and 2 sleeves.

The front and back are worked from side to side and the sleeves from the top down. The front part of collar is added after front piece is finished. The back part of collar and straps are worked after all pieces are sewed together.

Selvage stitches are included into CO count but **omitted** from pattern instructions. They can be worked in a way you prefer.

Right side: odd rows, wrong side: even rows.

Pattern A (8 rows; multiple: 8+4)

Row 1 (rs): k across.

Row 2 (ws): p across.

Row 3: k4, *p4, k4, rep from * to end of row.

Row 4: p5, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p5.

Row 5: k across. **Row 6**: p across.

Row 7: p4, *k4, p4, rep from * to end of row.

Row 8: p1, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p1.

Next rows: rep rows 1-8.

Pattern B (8 rows; multiple: 8)

Row 1 (rs): k across.

Row 2 (ws): p across.

Row 3: *p4, k4, rep from * to end of row.

Row 4: p5, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p1.

Row 5: k across.

Row 6: p across.

Row 7: *k4, p4, rep from * to end of row.

Row 8: p1, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p5.

Next rows: rep rows 1-8.

INSTRUCTIONS

BACK

Back is worked from side to side (beg with left side). CO 94 sts with **MC** yarn (see note above for selvage sts).

Set-up row (ws): p across. Work Pattern **A** 17 times.

Next 6 rows: rep rows 1-6 of Pattern A.

Last row (rs): k across.

Bind off. Piece measures 24"/61 cm wide.

FRONT

Front consists of 3 panels: left, central and right and is worked from side to side beg with left panel.

Left Panel

Cast on 94 sts with MC yarn.

Set-up row (ws): p across.

Work Pattern A 5 times.

Next row (**rs**): k across.

Central Panel

Change to **CC** yarn.

Set-up row (**ws**): p across.

Next 6 rows: rep rows 3-8 of Pattern **A**.

Start Pattern B and work it 5 times.

At the same time, shape **left neckline curve** at very beg of pattern B: bind off 3 sts at beg of 1st rs row and 1 st at beg of next rs row.

After 5 reps of Pat **B**, rep **rows 1-6** of same Pat B. At the same time, shape **right neckline curve**: cast on 1 st at end of row 4 and 3 sts at end of

row 6 of this 6-row sequence of Pat B.

Next (last) **7 rows** of central panel:

Row 2 (ws): p1, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p1.

Row 1 (rs): p4, *k4, p4, rep from * to end.

Row 3: k across.

Row 4: p across.

Row 5: k4, *p4, k4, rep from * to end.

Row 6: p5, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p5.

Row 7: k across.

Right Panel

Change to **MC** yarn.

Initial row (ws): p across.

Row 1 (rs): p4, *k4, p4, rep from * to end.

Row 2 (ws): p1, k2, *p6, k2, rep from *, end p1.

Work Pattern **A** 4 times.

Next 6 rows: rep rows 1-6 of Pattern A.

Last row (rs): k across. Bind off.

Front Collar

With CC yarn, pick up and k 33 sts on rs of front neck. Work 5 rows in k1, p1 rib st. Bind off very loosely.

SLEEVES (identical)

CO 62 sts with **MC** yarn (2 selvage sts are omitted from following instructions).

Set-up row: p8, pm, p44 (*to last 8 sts*), pm, p8.

Next rows: work Pattern **A** bet markers 11 times. Work sts outside markers in **stockinette** st: k on rs, p on ws. At the same time, bind off 1 st at each edge of every 8th rs row 8 times (*remove markers after all decreases are worked*).

After 11 reps of Pattern **A** (sleeve measures approx 15½ "/39 cm long) start **rolled cuff** on **rs**:

Rows 1 and 2: k across.

Next 9 rows: work in **stockinette** st (k on rs, p on ws). Bind off. Piece measures approx 17"/43 cm.

FINISHING

Blocking and Sewing

Wet block pieces keeping sleeve cuffs rolled. Sew shoulder seams, making sure to match pattern at front and back. Mark 8"/20 cm down from shoulder for each side. Center each sleeve at shoulder seam and between markers and sew. Sew side and sleeve seams.

Hen

With longer circular needle and **MC** yarn, pick up and k 154 sts (approx 2 sts per 3 vertical rows) at bottom on rs: start at left front panel from edge of central panel, continue around back and right front panel, finishing row at other edge of central panel.

Next 20 rows: work in **garter** st (k across). At the same time, make st decreases on each row: k2tog after 1^{st} st at beg of row and ssk before last st of row (total 2 st decreases on each row). Bind off.

Back Collar and Straps

With MC yarn, pick up and k 29 sts at back neck. Work 5 rows in k1, p1 rib st, connecting selvage sts to front collar respectively. Bind off very loosely.

Without breaking yarn, use it to chain crochet 17"/43 cm long strap with hook. Break yarn and crochet identical strap at other side. Draw both straps through ribs of front collar so they are at front only.