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# Tattedate

#### Yarn

Rowan Baby Alpaca DK (DK weight; 100% baby alpaca; 100m/50g balls) Southdown (208) 6 (6:7:7:8:8:9:10:10) x 50g balls

## Needles & Accessories

2 sets if 3.75mm (UK 9/US 5) circular needles, 1 set 60cm (24in) long and 1 set 80cm(32in) long

2 sets 3.5mm (UK 10-9/US 4) circular needles, 1 set 60cm (24in) long and 1 set 80cm(32in) long

1 set 3.5mm (UK 10-9/US 4) double-pointed needles (DPNs)

Small quantity of waste yarn in approx. DK weight Stitch holders

## Gauge

24 sts and 34 rows to 10cm over stocking stitch using 3.75mm needles 18 sts and 42 rows to 10cm over texture stitch using 3.75mm needles

## Abbreviations

K = knit P = purl St(s) = stitch(es)

RS = right side WS = wrong side K2tog = knit two together PM = place marker Slm = slip marker SSK = slip, slip, knit S = slip purlwise with yarn held to WS of work unless otherwise stated

MIR = insert left needle underneath bar between sts from back to front and place on left needle tip, knit normally.

MIL = insert left needle underneath bar between sts from front to back and place on left needle tip, knit through back loop.

w&t = Wrap and turn. *On a knit row:* bring yarn to front, slip next stitch knitwise, bring yarn to back, return slipped stitch to left needle making sure it remains twisted. Turn, leaving any remaining stitches unworked. When you come to knit the wrapped stitch, pick up and place the wrap on left needle and knit together through back loop with wrapped stitch.

On a purl row: bring yarn to back, slip next stitch purlwise, bring yarn to front, return stitch to left needle making sure it remains untwisted. Turn, leaving any remaining stitches unworked. When you come to work the wrapped stitch, pick up and place loop around wrapped stitch on left needle and purl together with wrapped stitch.

## Pattern Notes

Alternative provisional cast-on methods may be used, but the instructions have been written using the waste yarn provisional method.

The garment is designed with significant negative ease, so that it gives a sleek, fitted look. Choose the to fit size closest to your actual bust size.

The sample garment is a size 10 with some extra length added before the waist, as I am tall. I added 3.5cm to the length from armhole to waist, and this extra length required a further 20g of yarn (340g rather than 320g for the standard size 10). Yarn quantities given below are for the standard lengths given in the pattern. If adding extra length, be aware that larger bust sizes will require more yarn for the same increase in length.

SIZES										
	Teen	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	
To fit	71	76	81	86	91	97	102	107	112	cm
bust	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	in
Actual	63	70	75	78	83	88	93	100	103	cm
bust	25	$27\frac{1}{2}$	$29\frac{1}{2}$	301/2	321/2	$34\frac{1}{2}$	361/2	391/2	401/2	in
Actual	56	57.5	57.5	58	59	59.5	61	63	63	cm
	22	22.5	22.5	23	23.25	23.5	24	25	25	in
Sleeve	4cm all sizes									cm
<u>length</u>	1√2in all sizes									in

## LEFT SHOULDER FRONT

With waste yarn and 3.75mm shorter circular needle, cast on 12 (12:12:14:14:16:16:16) sts.

Change to main yarn.

† Row I (RS): K1, (K2, P2) to last 3 (3:3:1:1:1:3:3:3) sts, K3 (3:3:1:1:1:3:3:3).

Row 2 (WS): P1, k2(2:2:0:0:0:2:2:2), (P2, K2) to last st, P1.

Repeat last 2 rows 5 times more. 12 rows total. These 12 rows form the texture pattern.

*Short rows 1&2:* K10 (10:10:11:11:11:12:12:12), w&t, Sl 1, purl to end.

*Short rows 3&4:* K6 (6:6:7:7:7:8:8:8), w&t, Sl 1, purl to end. *Short rows 5&6:* K2 (2:2:3:3:3:4:4:4), w&t, Sl 1, purl to end.

Row 13: Knit to end, picking up wraps and working them with sts.

Row 14 (WS): Purl. †

Work 4 (4:6:6:8:8:8:10:10) more rows stocking stitch. Break yarn and place sts on holder/waste yarn.

## LEFT SHOULDER BACK

Carefully remove the waste yarn cast on, and pick up all the main yarn stitches that are revealed, with RS facing for next row. Rejoin main yarn.

\*\*Work 12 rows in texture pattern as set before.

Row 13 (RS): Knit.

*Short rows 1&2*: P10 (10:10:11:11:11:12:12:12), w&t, Sl 1, knit to end.

*Short rows 3&4*: P6 (6:6:7:7:7:8:8:8), w&t, Sl 1, knit to end. *Short rows 5&6*: P2 (2:2:3:3:3:4:4:4), w&t, Sl 1, knit to end.

Row 14: Purl to end, picking up wraps and working them with sts.

Row 15 (RS): Knit.\*\*

Break yarn and place sts on a holder or waste yarn.

# RIGHT SHOULDER FRONT

With waste yarn and 3.75mm shorter circular needle, cast on 12 (12:12:14:14:16:16:16) sts.

Work as for left shoulder back, from \*\* to \*\*. Then work 3 (3:5:5:7:7:7:9:9) more rows in stocking stitch. Break yarn and place sts on holder or waste yarn.

#### RIGHT SHOULDER BACK

Carefully remove the waste yarn cast on, and pick up all the main yarn stitches that are revealed, with RS facing for next row. Rejoin main yarn.

Work as for left shoulder front from † to †. Knit one row.

You will now join all the segments together as one, and begin working down the yoke.

Row 16 (WS): Purl across 12 (12:12:14:14:14:16:16:16) sts on needle (right shoulder back), using the Backwards Loop Method, cast 32 (32:36:36:40:44:44:48:52) sts onto right needle tip for back neck, mark 6th st cast on with a piece of scrap yarn, place held sts from left shoulder back, with WS facing, onto left needle and purl to end. 56 (56:60:64:68:72:76:80:84) sts.

Row 17 (RS): Knit.

Work 1 (1:3:3:5:5:7:7) more rows in stocking stitch as set. Break yarn and leave on a holder or spare needle for Back.

Place held sts from left shoulder front, with RS facing, onto left needle. Rejoin yarn at left front.

Next Row (RS): K12 (12:12:14:14:16:16:16) (left front), pm, pick up and knit 18 (18:20:20:20:22:22:22:22) sts across rowh-end edge of left shoulder piece (these sts will form the left sleeve), pm, K56 (56:60:64:68:72:76:80:84) from holder for Back, pm, pick up and knit 18 (18:20:20:20:22:22:22:22) sts across row end edge of right shoulder piece (these sts will form the right sleeve), pm, K12 (12:12:14:14:14:16:16:16) (right front). 116 (116:124:132:136:144:152:156:160) sts.

Next Row (WS): Purl.

Next Row (RS inc): (Knit to marker, slm, MlR, knit to marker, MlL, slm) twice. 120 (120:128:136:140:148:156:160:164) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 6 (7:6:6:7:7:8:8:8) times more. 144 (148:152:160:168:176:188:19 2:196) sts.

Work 3 more rows in stocking stitch without increasing. Repeat increase row once more. 148 (152:156:164:172:180:192:196:200) sts.

Work II (11:7:9:5:7:7:9:7) more rows in stocking stitch without increasing.

Next Row (RS joining round): Knit across all sts, then using the Backwards Loop Method cast 32 (32:36:36:40:44:44:48:52) sts onto right needle tip. Join to begin working in the round, being careful not to twist sts. Do not place marker. Knit across 12 (12:12:14:14:14:16:16:16) left front sts to marker. This marker is now the beg of rnd. 180 (184:192:200:212:224:236:244:252) sts.

You will now place markers to indicate where the armhole increases will be. Next Round: (MIR, knit to marker, MIL, slm, Kl, pm, MIR, knit to 1 st before marker, MIL, pm, Kl, slm) twice. 188 (192:200:208:220:232:244:252:260) sts.

## Knit one round.

Repeat last 2 rows 3 (4:6:6:7:7:8:8:9) more times. 4 (5:7:7:8:8:9:9:10) increase rows total. 212 (232:248:256:276:288:308:316:332) sts.

#### **BODY**

You will now divide the body and sleeves and begin working down the body. Remove markers as you come to them.

Next Round: Place next 42 (46:50:50:54:56:60:58:62) sleeve sts on waste yarn, cast 12 (14:16:16:16:18:18:20:20) sts onto right needle tip using the Backwards Loop Method, knit across 64 (70:74:78:84:88:94:100:104) Back sts, place next 42 (46:50:50:54:56:60:58:62) sleeve sts on waste yarn, cast 12(14:16:16:18:18:20:20) sts onto right needle tip using the Backwards Loop Method, knit across 64 (70:74:78:84:88:94:100:104) Front sts. 152 (168:180:188:200:212:224:240:248) sts. Remove beg of rnd marker, K6 (7:8:8:8:9:9:10:10), replace beg of rnd marker.

Work in stocking stitch without shaping until piece meas 23 (23.5:23.5:23.5:24:24:24:25:25) cm from where underarm sts were cast on at armhole. The sweater should now be 1.5cm above the natural waistline, make adjustments if necessary.

# Shape Waist

You will now place the markers to indicate where the side texture panels will be.

Next Round plus partial round (as marker moves): K57 (65:69:73:79:83:89: 95:99), pm, K38 (38:42:42:42:46:46:50:50), pm, K38 (46:48:52:58:60:66:70:74) (Front sts), pm, K19 (19:21:21:21:23:23:25:25), remove marker, K19 (19:21:21:21:23:23:25:25), replace marker. This is now beg of round marker.

Next Round: \*Knit to marker, slm, K3 (3:5:5:7:7:9:9), (K2tog) 16 times, K3 (3:5:5:5:7:7:9:9), slm; rep from \* once more. 120 (136:148:156:168:180:192:208:21 6) sts.

Next Round: \*Knit to marker, slm, P2, (K2, P2) to marker, slm; rep from\* once more

Next Round: \*Knit to marker, slm, K2, (P2, K2) to marker, slm; rep from\* once more

Repeat last 2 rounds 8 more times.

Next Round: \*Knit to marker, slm, K0 (0:2:2:2:4:4:6:6), (KFB) 22 times, K0 (0:2:2:2:4:4:6:6), slm; rep from \* once more. 164 (180:192:200:212:224:236:252:2 60) sts.

# Shape Hips

Next round (inc): (Knit to marker, slm, M1R, knit to marker, M1L, slm) twice. 168 (184:196:204:216:228:240:256:264) sts.

Repeat increase round on every 3rd round 10 more times (11 increases in total). 208 (224:236:244:256:268:280:296:304) sts.

Knit 8 rounds without shaping (extra length may be added here if desired). All markers (except beg of round marker) can now be removed.

Purl 1 round.

Change to 3.5mm needles.

Knit 6 rounds.

Fold hem along purl round and sew live sts to wrong side.

## **NECKLINE EDGING**

With RS facing, 3.5mm needles and beginning at marked st on back neck, pick up and knit 28 (28:32:32:36:40:40:44:48) sts across back neck, pm, pick up and knit 46 (50:50:54:54:58:58:62:62) sts across left shoulder, pm, pick up and knit 34(34:38:38:42:46:46:50:54) sts across front neck, pm, pick up and knit 46 (50:50:54:54:58:58:62:62) sts across right shoulder, pm and pick up and knit 6 sts across remaining back neck, pm for beginning of round. 160 (168:176:184:192:208:208:224:232) sts.

Round 1: \*K2, (P2, K2) 6 (6:7:7:8:9:9:10:11) times, K2tog, slm, SSK, K2, (P2, K2) 10 (11:11:12:12:13:13:14:14) times, K2tog, slm, SSK, K2, P2; rep from \* once more. 152 (160:168:176:184:200:200:216:224) sts.

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Rounds 2, 4, 6 & 8: Work each stitch opposite to how it presents itself, to maintain the texture pattern: knit the purls and purl the knits.

**Round 3:** \*K2, (P2, K2) 5 (5:6:6:7:8:8:9:10) times, P2, K1, K2tog, slm, SSK, K1, (P2, K2) 9 (10:10:11:11:12:12:13:13) times, P2, K1, K2tog, slm, SSK, K1, P2; rep from \* once more. 144 (152:160:168:176:192:192:208:216) sts.

**Round 5:** \*K2, (P2, K2) 5 (5:6:6:7:8:8:9:10) times, P2, K2tog, slm, SSK, (P2, K2) 9 (10:10:11:11:12:12:13:13) times, P2, K2tog, slm, SSK, P2; rep from \* once more. 136 (144:152:160:168:184:184:200:210) sts.

Round 7: \*K2, (P2, K2) 5 (5:6:6:7:8:8:9:10) times, Pl, K2tog, slm, SSK, Pl, K2, (P2, K2) 8 (9:9:10:10:11:11:12:12) times, Pl, K2tog, slm, SSK, Pl; rep from \* once more. 128(136:144:152:160:176:176:192:202) sts.

Cast off all sts in pattern.

# SLEEVES (both alike)

Return 42 (46:50:50:54:56:60:58:62) held sleeve sts to needles (DPNs or your preferred needles for small diameter knitting in the round). With RS facing, rejoin yarn and knit across these sts. Pick up and knit 14 (14:18:18:18:20:20:22:22) sts across armhole cast-on edge, pm for beginning of round. 56 (60:68:68:72:76:80:80:84) sts. Redistribute sts evenly over needles if required.

Knit 5 rounds without shaping.

Remove beginning of round marker, K21 (23:25:25:27:28:30:29:31), replace marker for new start of round.

Round 6: (K2, P2) to end.

Round 7: (P2, K2) to last 4 sts, P2, K1, slip next stitch to cable needle and hold at back of work, knit the first stitch of the next round, return the stitch on the cable needle to the left hand needle without working it (this process swaps the two stitches and helps to ensure that when you now work back and forth in rows, there isn't a gaping hole where the sleeve notch is formed). Turn work ready to work a WS row – remainder of sleeve is worked back and forth.

Row 8 (WS): P1, K1, (P2, K2) to last 2 sts, P2.

Row 9 (RS): SSK, (K2, P2) to last 2 sts, K2tog. 54 (58:66:66:70:74:78:78:82) sts. Row 10: P1, (P2, K2) to last st, P1.

Row II: SSK, Kl, (P2, K2) to last 3 sts, Pl, K2tog. 52 (56:64:64:68:72:76:76:80) sts.

Row 12: P2, (K2, P2) to last 2 sts, K1, P1.

Row 13: SSK, (P2, K2) to last 2 sts, K2tog. 50 (54:62:62:66:70:74:74:78) sts. Cast off all sts in pattern.

Weave in all ends and block sweater gently to measurements.



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