OPEN-WORK PATTERNED SWEATER

DIFFICULTY =

YARN = 8 balls of col. n.7 SOFFIO CASHMERE by LAINES DU NORD
INTERCHANGEABLE CIRCULAR NEEDLES = 6 mm points, 12 mm points and 40 cm and 100 cm cables
OTHERS = darning needle, 4 stitch markers: 1 of them col. A (= SMb) stitch marker of the beginning of the round and 3 col. B (SM) for raglan increases, pins, row counter, scissors, tape measure.



Work the sweater with top-down technique, beginning from top (collar) to bottom, and working the raglan increases. Work all pieces in round using circular needles.

SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SAMPLE

10 x 10 cm = 10 sts. and 14 r. in stocking st. using 12 mm needles. If required, for right tension, use different size of needles.

POINTS USED

Invisible closing in round: slip 1st st. from left to right needle. Pass 2nd st. from right needle over 1st st. and drop it. After fastening the work, pull 2 yarns together (yarn from ball and cast-on end); the stitch you have dropped will tighten itself and make one

knot, shaping the invisible closing and fastening the ring. At last, move the 1st st. from right to left point, then place SM on right point.

Rib 1/1 in round
1st round and next rounds: (k1, p1) rep. across the entire r.

Stocking Stitch in round
1st round and next rounds: knit every st.

Increase to the right: using left needle, lift the yarn between right and left needle, inserting the needle under the yarn from front to back, then knit it through back loop.

Increase to the left: using left needle, lift the yarn between right and left needle, inserting the needle under the yarn from back to front, then knit it.

Decrease to the left: slip first st. k-wise, slip second stitch too. Move both stitches onto left needle as they appear and then knit them together.

Binding off: work 2 sts., insert the point of left needle through first of 2 sts. on right needle, pass first st. over second one, * work next st. (on right needle there are 2 sts.), insert the point of left needle through first of these 2 sts., then pass first st. over second one *, rep. from * to * binding off as many times as necessary.

ABBREVIATIONS

WS = wrong side of work
SM = stitch marker
SMb = stitch marker of the beginning of the round
r. = round(s)
st.(s) = stitch(es)
incr. = increase
col. = color
decr. = decrease
k = knit
yo = yarn over
tog. = together
rep. = repeat
p = purl
foll. = follow(ing)
beg. = begin(ing)

MEASURES

SIZE: 42

PROCEDURE

COLLAR

Use 6 mm circular needles with 40 cm short cable.

Cast-on 60 (1) sts. and close in ring with invisible closing technique, place the SMb and work 6 r, rib 1/1.

YOKE (front, back and shoulders)

Across the next round, start the 4 raglans shaping, then, to mark the points of increases, place 3 SM more beyond the SMb. Move the SM upwards as you work.

Now use 12 mm points and 100 cm cable.

1st round: k20 for back, place first SM on right point of circular needles, k10 for first sleeve, place second SM, k20 for front, place third SM, end working last k10 for second sleeve, reaching the SMb (move SMb).

Across the next round, shape the raglans.

2nd round: * k1, 1 incr. to the left, k18, 1 incr. to the right, k1, move next SM, k1, 1 incr. to the right, k6, 1 incr. to the right, k1, move next SM *, rep. from * to * once more to complete the round until SMb.

Start the **open-work** motif.

3rd round: k5, yo (pass yarn over right point), 1 decr. to the left (NB: it isn't an increase but a decorative hole that shape the open-work motif, across the entire sweater). Cont. working k2, yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2, yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2, yo, 1 decr. to the left, k3 before next SM. Move SM. [= 4 sequences of **yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2**].

You have worked on **back**, that is the sts. between SMb and first SM.

Cont. in open-work st. for **right sleeve**, between first SM and second SM: k1, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 *, rep. from * to * once more (= 2 sequences), yo, 1 incr. to the left, k1 to reach second SM, move SM.

Cont. in open-work st. for **front,** between second SM and third SM: after beg. 5 sts. work

the sequence * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 *, rep. from * to * 3 times more (= 4 sequences), at last k3 before third SM, move SM.

Complete the round working **left sleeve** between third SM and SMb: k1, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 *, rep. from * to * once more (= 2 sequences), yo, 1 incr. to the left, k1 to reach the SMb, move SMb.

NB: working in round, across one round you increase for raglan and across next round you don't increase any sts. for raglan but work the open-work st. in foll. sequence * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 *.

4th round (with increases for raglan): * k1, 1 incr. to the left, knit all sts. until 1 st. before next SM, 1 incr. to the right, k1, move SM; k1, 1 incr. to the left, knit all sts. until 1 st. before next SM, 1 incr. to the right, k1, move SM *, rep. from * to * once more, end the round at SMb.

5th round (with open-work motif): work all pieces as follow.

Front and back: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 4 times (= 5 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * once more (= 2 sequences); yo, 1 incr. to the left, k1 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

6th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

7th round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 4 times (5 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * once more (2 sequences); yo, 1 incr. to the left, k1 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

8th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

9th round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 5 times (6 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * twice (3 sequences) more; yo, 1 incr. to the left, k1 until next SM (or SMB at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

10th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

11th round: knit every st., without open-work st.

From 12th to 17th round: rep. 10th and 11th round 3 times more.

18th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

19th round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 7 times (8 sequences) more; k3 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 4 times (5 sequences) **with open-work stitch**; k3 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

20th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

21st round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 8 times (8 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 5 times (6 sequences) more; k3 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

22nd round (with raglan increases): rep. il 4th round.

23rd round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 8 times (9 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k5, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 5 times (6 sequences) more; k3 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

24th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

25th round (with open-work stitch):

Front and back: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 9 times (10 sequences) more; k1 before next SM, move SM.

Right and left sleeve: k3, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * 6 times (7 sequences) more; k3 until next SM (or SMb at the end of left sleeve), move SM.

26th round (with raglan increases): rep. 4th round.

27th round (with open-work stitch):

Leave the sts. of 2 sleeves.

BODY

Cont. working the sts. of front and back.

Front 28th to 34th round: knit all sts. until SMb.

Rep. the sequence of open-work motif * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * alternating one round in knit st.

35th round: * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * until SMB.

36th round: knit all sts. until SMB.

From 37th to 42nd round: rep. 35th and 36th round 3 times more.

43rd round: * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * until SMB.

From 44th to 48th round: knit all sts. until SMB.

Work again the open-work motif.

49th round: * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * until SMB.

50th round: knit all sts. until SMB.

From 51st to 56th round: rep. 49th and 50th round 3 times more.

57th round: * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. from * to * until SMB.

From 58th to 63rd round: knit all sts. until SMB.

64th round: bind off all.

SLEEVE (x 2)

Use circular needles with 12 mm points and short cable.

Move the sts. you have left for right sleeve onto circular needles, then pick-up 4 sts. of undersleeve, place the SMb and knit until end of round.

Cont. the above sequence of open-work motif in round, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 *

alternating one round in knit st.

NB: the open-work motif of sleeve consists of different parts and every part consists of 6 rounds. They shape horizontal strips tilted to the right. To get them you must alternate the sequences, that is stagger 2 sts. at beginning of sequence.

First part (from 1st to 6th round)

1st round: k2, * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. across the entire r. until SMA.

NB: at beg. of every round, move SMb upwards.

2nd round: knit all sts. until SMb.

From 3rd to 6th round: rep. 1st and 2nd round twice more.

Second part (from 7th to 12th round)

7th round: * yo, 1 decr. to the left, k2 * rep. across the entire r. until SMA.

8th round: knit all sts. until SMb.

From 9th to 12th round: rep. 7th and 8th round twice more.

Third part (from 13th to 18th round)

Rep. the first part.

Fourth part (from 19th to 23rd round)

Rep. the second part.

Fifth part (from 24th to 29th round)

Rep. the first part.

Sixth part (from 30th to 35th round)

Rep. the second part.

Seventh part (from 36th to 41st round)

Rep. the first part.

Eighth part (from 42nd to 47th round)

Rep. the second part.

Nineth part (from 48th to 53rd round)

Rep. the first part.

Tenth part (from 54th to 59th round)

Rep. the second part.

From 60th to 63rd round: knit all sts. until SMb.

Bind off all sts. Hide the ends on WS.

PHOTOGALLERY





