GREEK PATTERN SWEATER

DIFFICULTY = Intermediate

YARN = LUXURY SILK by LAINES DU NORD. Size S, M: 8 balls x col. 2; 2 balls x col. 15. Size L: 9 balls x col. 2; 2 balls x col. 15.
CIRCULAR NEEDLES = 4.5 mm and 5 mm tips with an 80 cm cable.
SHORT-TIP CIRCULAR NEEDLES = 4.5 mm and 5 mm tips with 40 cm cable.
OTHERS = stitch markers, darning needle, scissors, tape measure, waste yarn.

The garment is worked bottom-up in the round up to the armholes, then flat (in back-and-forth rows) to the neckline. The sleeves are worked separately by picking up the stitches around the armholes. The only seams are joined using the three-needle bind-off technique.

SAMPLE

10 x 10 cm = 19 sts and 25 r in stockinette st using 5 mm needles (measured after blocking).

It is very important to check your gauge and measure the tension correctly to achieve the same results and measurements as the pattern. If the gauge is different, try adjusting the needle size up or down by half a size until you get the correct measurement.

POINTS USED

1x1 twisted rib in the round: (k1tbl, p1) rep to the end of the round.
1x1 rib flat
R 1: (k1, p1) rep to the end of the row.
R 2 and all foll r: work the sts as they appear
Stockinette st in the round: knit all rounds.

Stockinette st flat
R 1 (RS): knit.
R 2 (WS): purl.

Jacquard pattern: work over a 4-round (or 4-row) rep following the diagram. Working in the round: rep the motif between the black lines. Working flat: rep the motif between the black lines and finish with the st marked by the green line. Rep rows 1 to 4 for the body and row 4 to 1 for the sleeves.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

3-needle bind off: for each shoulder, place the stitches of the front and back shoulders on two separate needles, hold them parallel, and use a third needle to bind them off by knitting one stitch from each needle together at the same time.

ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of work
WS = wrong side of work
SM = stitch marker
b-SM = stitch marker of the beginning of the round
r = row/s
st/sts = stitch/es
col = color
k = knit
ktbl = knit through the back loop (insert the right needle into the back loop of the next stitch on the left needle and knit)
tog = together
bind off = bind off the stitches using the skp technique (slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over).
rep = repeat
rep ** = repeat from * to *
p = purl
skp = slip 1 st k-wise, knit next st, pass slipped st over.

foll = follow/ing

MEASURES

Size in the picture: S
Chest circumference: 100 cm
Body length from underarm: 35 cm
Total length: 56 cm
Sleeve length from underarm: 25 cm
Sleeve circumference: 100 cm

PROCEDURE

FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Wet and block. Wear!

BODY (front and back until the armholes)

Using circular needles with 4.5 mm tips, an 80 cm cable and col. 2 yarn, cast on 190 (200 - 210) sts, join in the round, making sure the sts are not twisted. Place a b-SM and another SM after 95 (100 - 110) sts to mark the side. Make sure to move the b-SM and SM up in every round as you work.

Work the lower band in 1x1 twisted rib.

Round 1: (ktbl, p1) to the end of the round.

Rounds 2 to 20: rep round 1.

Switch to 5 mm needles and work 2 (6 - 10) rounds in stockinette st, then continue alternating the 2-col jacquard pattern and solid stockinette st up to the neckline as foll:

Rounds 1 to 4: knit foll the jacquard diagram, alternating the 2 colors as indicated.

Rounds 5 to 20: knit with col 2 only.

Rep rounds 1 to 20, 3 times, then rep rounds 1 to 4 (jacquard pattern) once, and rep rounds 5 to 10 with col. 2, increasing 1 st at the beginning of the round and 1 st after the SM at the side in round 10. [72 (76 -80) rounds after ribbing]

Divide the panel into 2 parts, keeping 96 (101 - 111) sts for the front and 96 (101 - 111) sts for the back, then continue working flat in stockinette st to shape the armholes.

Top back

R 1 (RS): with col 2, knit.

R 2 (WS): with col 2, purl.

R 3 to 10: rep r 1 and 2.

R 11 to 14: foll the jacquard diagram, alternating col 15 and col 2 as indicated.

R 15: with col 2, knit.

R 16: with col 2, purl.

R 17 to 30: rep r 15-16

R 31 to 50: rep r 11 to 30

R 51 to 54: foll the jacquard diagram, alternating col 15 and col 2 as indicated and work the last 2 r of the 56 center sts in 1x1 rib.

R 55: k20, bind off 56 sts, k20.

Size M only: rep r 1-2 up to r **58**, working the last 2 r of the 57 center sts in 1x1 rib.

R 59: k22, bind off 57 m, k22.

Size L only: rep r 1-2 up to r **64**, working the last 2 r of the 61 center sts in 1x1 rib.

R 65: k25, bind off 61 sts, k25.

For all sizes: place the remaining shoulder sts of both sides on hold.

Top front

Work as given for the top back.

Join the shoulders using the 3-needle bind-off technique.

SLEEVE

Using 5 mm needles, 40 cm cable and col 15, pick up 80 (85 - 90) sts around the armhole edge, close in the round, place a b-SM and work as foll:

Rounds 1 to 20: knit 4 rounds foll the jacquard diagram (rows 4 to 1), then knit 16 rounds with col 2 only.

Rep rounds 1 to 20 twice, then rep rounds 1 to 4 (jacquard pattern rows 4 to 1) once.

Size M only: knit 4 more rounds with col 2.

Size L only: knit 8 more rounds with col 2.

Rounds 45 (49-53): knit.

Rounds 46 (50-54): knit.

Continue working the 1x1 twisted rib cuff as foll:

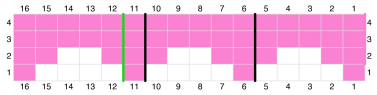
Round 1: (ktbl, p1) to the end of the round.

Rounds 2 to 20: rep round 1.

Bind off all sts loosely

Work the second sleeve as given for the first one.

PHOTOGALLERY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