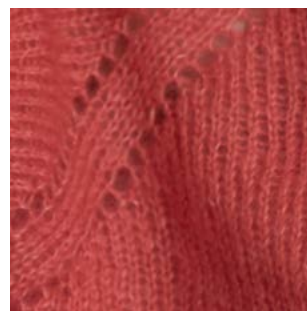
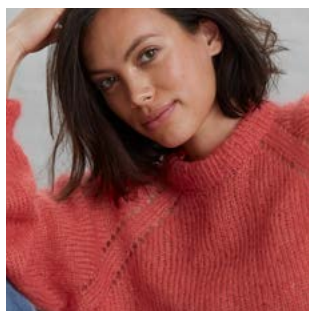


#HOLDTHELINESWEATER

hold the line sweater



♥ TWO STRANDS OF FRIENDLY FRAYA ON MEDIUM SIZE NEEDLES – AND HEY PRESTO – ALL OF A SUDDEN YOU HAVE KNIT A LIGHT AND AIRY SWEATER WITH ROWS OF EYELETS RUNNING DOWN THE RAGLANS AND DOWN ALONG THE BODY AND SLEEVES. START AT THE TOP AND WORK TO WHERE THE WORK IS DIVIDED AT THE SLEEVE INCREASES. THE PATTERN IS PERFECT FOR THE INTERMEDIATE KNITTER – ONCE YOU HAVE GOTTEN A HANG OF EYELET PATTERN, THE REST IS FAIRLY STRAIGHT FORWARD.



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ABBREVIATIONS:

st[s] = stitch[es]
k = knit
p = purl
RS = right side
WS = wrong side
tbl = through the back loop
tog = together

raglan inc = yarn over, knit to 2 sts after raglan marker, yarn over

PATTERN

The sweater is worked in the round from the top down. First the neck edge rib is worked, then short rows to shape the neckline, then the yoke with raglan increases worked as yarn overs to create rows of little holes.

YOKE:

Cast on 60 [60] 60 [68] 68 sts on a UK size 6 [5 mm], 40 cm circular needle with the Italian cast-on method and 2 strands of Friendly FRAYA held together. This method for casting on will create a very stretchy rib edge. Join in the round and place a marker for the beginning of the round – which is the centre of the back. Work 7 cm of k1, p1 ribbing. Change to a UK size 4 [6 mm] needle and knit 1 round while placing markers after 10 [10] 10 [11] 11 sts, 10 [10] 10 [12] 12 sts, 10 [10] 10 [11] 11 sts [mid front], 10 [10] 10 [11] 11 sts, 10 [10] 10 [12] 12 sts, 10 [10] 10 [11] 11 sts. There are now a total of 6 markers on the needle, where the first marker marks the mid back point (optionally make this a different colour), the next 2 markers mark the raglan on the right sleeve, the next marker marks the mid front point and the last 2 markers mark the raglan on the left sleeve. It might be helpful if the mid front marker is also a different colour.

Short rows:

Start mid back [at the beginning of round marker] and knit to 2 sts before raglan marker, raglan inc [see abbreviations], repeat this at the next raglan marker, then knit to 6 sts before the mid front marker, turn.

Sl1, purl to the mid back marker [also purl yarn overs]. Purl to 2 sts before raglan marker, raglan inc, repeat this at the next raglan marker, purl to 6 sts before the mid front marker, turn.

Sl1, knit [also knit yarn overs] to the mid back marker.

A pattern of eyelets has now formed along the raglan lines. Continue working short rows as established, first to 5 sts before the mid front marker on the next set of short rows and then to 4 and 3 sts before the mid front marker. End at mid back marker. There are now 28 [28] 28 [30] 30 sts on front and back and 18 [18] 18 [20] 20 sts on each sleeve.

Now work in the round in stockinette stitch [changing to a longer circular needle as needed] with yarn over increases 2 sts before and after the raglan markers every other round. The yarn overs are knitted as well. Remove the mid front marker, but keep the mid back marker.

Continue until there are 66 [70] 76 [82] 88 sts on front and back and 56 [60] 66 [72] 78 sts on each sleeve.

Now divide the work as follows on the next row [without increases]: Knit 33 [35] 38 [41] 44 sts from mid back [i.e. half the back sts], place the sleeve sts on a stitch holder, cast on 4 sts and place a

SIZES

XS [S] M [L] XL

MEASUREMENTS

Chest $\frac{1}{2}$:

52 [55] 58 [63] 68 cm

Length:

60 [60] 60 [61] 62 cm

YARN

Friendly Fraya

70% Super Kid Mohair + 30% Silk

25 g = 210 m

YARDAGE

150 [175] 200 [225] 250 g

GAUGE

In stockinette stitch with 2 strands of yarn held together on a UK size 4 [6 mm] needle: 14 sts x 21 rounds = 10 cm x 10 cm

SUGGESTED NEEDLE SIZE

Circular needles UK size 6 [5 mm], 40 cm and 80 cm and UK size 4 [6 mm], 40 cm and 60 cm and double-pointed needles UK size 6 [5 mm] and 4 [6 mm].

Please note: The needle sizes given above are only suggestions. The size of the needles you need depends on your personal gauge. If you knit firmly you might need a large needle size, if you knit loosely you might need a smaller needle size.

NOTIONS

Stitch marker, stitch holders

marker in the middle of these sts, knit across front, place the sleeve sts on a stitch holder, cast on 4 sts and place a marker in the middle of these sts, knit across the rest of the back to beginning of round marker. Work one round, knitting across all the sts for the body including the new sts.

Work eyelets along the sides on the next round:

Knit to 5 sts before the marker, k2tog tbl, yarn over, knit to 3 sts after marker, yarn over k2tog, repeat from * to * once more, knit to end of round. Knit 1 round.

Knit to 4 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, yarn over, knit to 2 sts after marker, yarn over, k2tog*, repeat from * to * once more, knit to end of round. Knit 1 round.

Continue in stockinette stitch with yarn overs at the sides – 2 sts before and after the markers, as established. This way, the rows of eyelets along the raglans continue down the sides. Continue until work measures 57 [57] 57 [58] 59 cm from mid back [first round].

Change to a UK size 6 [5 mm], 80 cm circular needle and work 6 cm of k1, p1 rib. Bind off.

SLEEVES:

Place the sts for the sleeve on a UK size 4 [6 mm], 40 cm circular needle and pick up and knit 2 sts along one side of the new sts under the sleeve, place a marker, pick up and knit 2 more sts along the other side. Join in the round and work 1 round in stockinette stitch.

Work eyelets on the next round: K3, yarn over, k2tog, knit to 5 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, yarn over, k3.

Knit 1 round.

Work eyelets on the next round: K2, yarn over, k2tog, knit to 4 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, yarn over, k2.

Knit 1 round. Repeat the last 2 rounds to form a line of eyelets running down the sleeve. Continue until the sleeves measures 38 [38] 37 [37] 36 cm from the armhole. Decrease evenly across the next round so there are 40 [40] 40 [42] 44 sts left on the needle. Change to UK size 6 [5 mm] double-pointed needle and work 6 cm of k1, p1 ribbing. Bind off.

Work the second sleeve the same way as the first.

FINISHING:

Weave in all ends and lightly press the finished work.

Fold the neck rib in half and sew it to the WS.

