

Knitted, slightly A-line Tshirt dress with internal welted pockets, side slits at hemline, long sleeves. Optional beanie

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Glossary:

c/o; cast on

K; knit

P; purl

inc; increase 1 by knitting twice in the same stitch

beg; beginning

sl 1; slip stitch from left to right needle without working
c/off; cast off

SM; slip marker

sl 1 K 1 psso; slip one stitch from left needle to right
without working, knit one, then pass the slipped stitch
from right hand needle over the worked one and off the
right hand needle

K2 tog; knit 2 stitches together

dec; decrease by knitting/purling 2 stitches together

Dress

Finished measurements: B: 90cm W: 94cm H: 101cm

This design comfortably fits a European size 38-40.

Tension: 17 st and 27 rows to a 10cm square.

Suggested, use a long (at least 80-100cm) circular needle
for the dress, and a shorter, 60cm circular needle for the
sleeves and beanie

Body of dress is knitted all in one piece

Back:

c/o 106 st. K 5 rows

next row, K3, P to last 3 st, K3

next row, K to end

continue repeating previous 2 rows until work measures
14cm, place on spare needle or holder

Front:

c/o 65 st. K 5 rows

next row, inc in next st, K to last 2 st, inc in next st, K1,

next row, K3, P to last 3 st, K3

next row, K

next row, K3, P to last 3 st, K3

repeat last 4 rows, 6 more times (79 st)

next row, inc in next st, K to last 2 st, inc in next st, K1 (81

st.)

K3, P to last 3 st, K3

next row; K to end, then take the Back on spare needles, continue knitting across entire row and join back to the beg of the row. Place marker here; from here on you will be knitting in the round, although rows will be counted from this starting point(187 st)

next row P3, inc in next st, K73, inc in next st, P6, K100, P3 (189 st)

NR; K to end

NR; P3, K77, P6, K100, P3

NR; K to end

Continue knitting without shaping until front measures 25cm,

NR; sl 1, K 80 stitches and turn (discard marker for now).

NR; sl 1, P 80 st and turn, continue working only on these 81 stitches, keeping remaining stitches live on needle. Work 35 more rows of stocking stitch, beginning each row with a sl 1. Break off yarn

Reattach yarn to live (back) stitches.

NR; c/o 4 st at beg of row. K these and continue to end, (110 st)

NR: c/o 4 st, p to end (114 st)

Continue in stocking stitch for another 33 rows, beginning each row with a sl 1.

NR, c/off 4 st, K to end

NR c/off 4 st, P to end. Rejoin yarn back to the front section, replace stitch marker, and continue to K across these stitches to the end. Place 2nd marker at the end of the front section... Front should measure 40cm (187 st)

K 1 row.

SM, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 2 st before marker, K2tog, SM, K81 (185st)

K 7 rows

SM, sl 1, K1, pssso, K to last 2 st before marker, K2tog, SM, K81

repeat previous 8 rows 10 times, (165 st)

K 6 rows

K to last 3 stitches of next row, and begin shaping armholes by casting off last 3 st of row

NR c/off another 3 st, K78, turn. Keep other, front, stitches live on needle.

continue in stocking st, dec 1 st each end of next 8 rows (62 st)

continue in stocking stitch on these 62 st with no further shaping for 17cm, finishing on a P row

K20, c/off 22, K 20 turn.

cont in stocking stitch, dec 1 st at neck edge of next 5 rows

Continue in stocking stitch with no further shaping for 6 more rows, break off yarn leaving a 25cm long tail, keep stitches live on needle

Re-attach yarn to the other 20 stitches from back at side edge and repeat for this side, ending at the shoulder edge; break off yarn leaving a tail

Front: reattach yarn to right edge of front stitches, c/off 6 st, K to end (75 st)

decrease 1 st each end of next 8 rows (59 st)

continue in stocking stitch with no further shaping for another 8cm, finishing on a P row

NR; K27, c/off 5, K 27

NR; P25, P2 tog, turn, keeping other stitches live on needle

NR; c/off 5, K to end (21 st)

NR; P to end (21 st)

NR; K2tog K to end (20st)

Continue in stocking st, dec 1 st at neck edge every 2nd row, 5 more times (15 st).

P to end (15 st)

Break off yarn leaving a long 25cm tail. Reattach yarn to other 27 stitches remaining on front and repeat the same

shaping, keeping stocking stitch correct, and finishing at the shoulder edge. Break off yarn leaving a tail.

Graft stitches together at shoulder edges using the technique described as follows...

Have the back shoulder stitches and front shoulder stitches on separate ends of your circular needle, with the needle points at the neckline edge

Take up the long tail of wool and thread it through a wool needle.

Insert the wool needle, as if for knitting, into the 1st stitch on the front needle, pull it through the stitch and slip the stitch off the needle; insert the wool needle as if for purling, into the second stitch on the front needle, pull the wool through and leave the stitch on the needle, take the wool around the front and under the knitting needle, insert the wool needle, as if for purling, into the first stitch on the back needle, pull the wool through and slip it off the needle, insert the needle, as if for knitting, into the second stitch on the back needle, pull the wool through and let the stitch remain on the needle, bring the wool forward under the needle. Repeat the above procedure until all the stitches are worked off. Tie wool end to the other loose end at the shoulder edge, and darn both ends securely inside the shoulder seam.

Repeat for other shoulder seam

Sleeves (both the same):

c/o 46 st

K 10 rows

inc 1, K to last 2 st, inc 1, K1

Stocking stitch for 9 rows

Repeat previous 10 rows, 14 more times (76 st)

c/off 5 st beg next 14 rows

c/off remaining 6 st

Stitch sleeve seams, then stitch sleeve inside the armhole of the dress, matching sleeve centre point to shoulder seam, and sleeve seam to the centre of the 6 c/off stitches in the bottom of the armhole.

Pockets:

Along pocket extension from back, pick up 21 st

inc 1, K to last 2 st inc 1, K1 (23 st)

inc 1, P to last 2 st, inc 1, P1 (25st)

inc 1, K to last 2 st, inc 1, K 1 (27 st)

Continue in stocking stitch with no further shaping until pocket strip measures 25cm, or desired length, ending on a K row

Stocking stitch for 3 more rows, dec 1 each end of each row (21 st)

c/off loosely.

Along other slit opening (front edge) pick up 21 st.

K 6 rows, c/off loosely.

Slip stitch short end of pocket strip to other (front) edge of opening slit, underneath welt, stitch pocket side edges.

Invisibly slip stitch edges of welt down to dress.

Neckline:

Embroider around neckline edge with chain stitch, making the length of the chains approximately equivalent length to the K stitches in the body of the dress..

Beanie:

c/o 80 st on, place marker and join in the round

K1 P1 rib for 10 rows

K4, inc in next stitch; repeat to marker (96 st)

Continue knitting in the round until work measures 15cm from rib, or desired height

K 2 tog, K 10, repeat to marker (88 st)

K to end

K 2 tog, K 9, repeat to end (80 st)

K to end

K 2 tog, K8, repeat to end (72 st)

K to end

K 2 tog, K7, repeat to end (64 st)

K to end

K 2 tog, K6, repeat to end (56 st)

K to end

K 2 tog, K5, rep to end (48st)

K 2 tog, K4, rep to end (40 st)

K 2 tog, K3, rep to end (32 st)

K 2 tog, K2, rep to end (24 st)

K 2 tog, K 1, rep to end (16 st)

K 2 tog, rep to end (8st)

Break off yarn, thread through wool needle. Thread needle through all stitches on needle, pull thread tight inside the beanie and stitch down securely inside.

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