

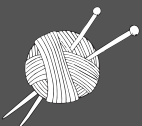
Adore You Dog Sweater

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This beginner friendly dog sweater is knit top down, in the round. The arm holes are created without steeking or waste yarn and for sizes XS through L, the whole sweater knits up from a single skein of sock yarn and two minis!



Sample in Shirley Brian 80/20 sock with various minis, in size L



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Skill Level – Beginner

Materials:

- fingering weight yarn
- circular needles
- DPNs
- measuring tape
- scrap yarn
- stitch markers
- darning needle

Techniques:

- long tail cast on
- increasing
- decreasing
- knitting flat
- knitting in the round
- picking up sts

Suggested Needles*:

- US size 4 / 3.5mm circular needles
- optional set of US size 4 / 3.5mm DPNs for sleeves.

Gauge:

- 24 sts 35 rows / 6 sts per inch

**Without the magic loop method, the length of the cable on your circular needle will need to be smaller than the finished width of the sweater.*

Suggested Yarn:

Any fingering weight yarn. This is a wonderful opportunity to use up a pretty skein of sock yarn and a couple of minis you're not sure what to do with.

Yardage:

Main colour:

150, 200 (300, 400, 560) yards / 138, 183 (275, 366, 513)m

Contrast colour (total for short sleeves, hem and cuff):

19, 25 (30, 40, 60) yards / 17, 23 (28, 37, 55) m

Sizes:

XS (S, M, L), XL to fit a chest measurement of;

11-13, (13-16, 16-20, 20-24), 24-28"

28-33, (33-4, 40-51, 51-61), 62-71 cm

Abbreviations:

CO - cast on

K - knit

P - purl

Sts - stitches

Sl - slip stitch

M1L - make one stitch left

M1R - make one right

Rep - repeat

MC - main colour

CC - contrast color

BO - bind off

Pm - place marker

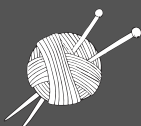
Sm - slip marker

p2tog - purl 2 stitches together

k2tog - knit 2 stitches together

Construction Notes:

This sweater is knit top down, in the round to the armholes. Then the armholes are bound off, and the chest and back are worked flat. The underarm is then cast on, and the whole sweater is knit in the round again.



Begin Pattern:

With MC, CO 36, 48 (68, 84, 104) sts using the long tail cast on, or other preferred stretchy cast on method. Join in the round, being careful not to twist.

Knit 10 rounds of k2, p2 ribbing.

K 18, 24 (34, 42, 52) sts, pm, K to end of round.

K to 1 st before marker, M1R, k 1, slip marker, k1, M1L, K to end of round. 2 sts increased 38, 50 (70, 86, 106) sts.

K round

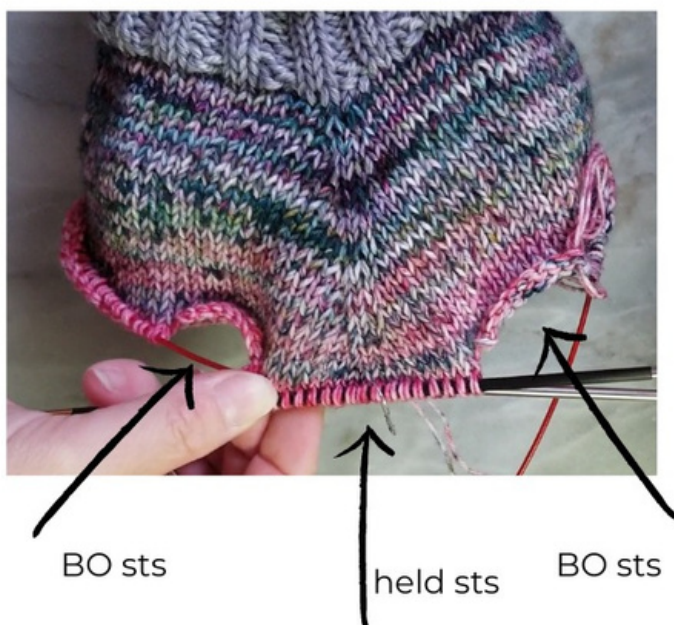
Repeat these two rounds 11 more times. 22 sts increased 60, 72 (92, 108, 128) sts.

Creating the armholes:

K 17, 20 (25, 29, 34) sts, BO 5, 6 (7, 9, 11), k 16, 20 (28, 32, 38), onto a spare needle (cut yarn), BO 5, 6 (7, 9, 11), k to end of row.

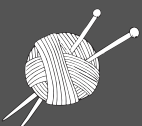
You should have 34, 40 (50, 58, 68) sts on the back and 16, 20 (28, 32, 38) sts on the chest.

Your work should look like this:



The back and front of the sweater are now separated and will both be knit flat.

Starting with the back piece, work 17 rows of stockinette stitch by knitting one side and purling the other, ending on a knit side. Once 17 rows have been worked, cut your working yarn, leaving a long tail.



Begin working the front piece, continuing to work the chest increases as established with the following modifications for knitting flat.

Purl row

K to 1 st before marker, M1R, k 1, slip marker, k1, M1L, K to end of round.
Repeat these two 6, 6 (5, 6, 6) times

Work in stockinette for 12, 12 (13, 12, 12) rows. Cut your working yarn.

Returning to the back piece, begin working from the end of the knit row you left off on. Using the long tail you left, cast on 5, 6 (7, 9, 11) sts using the backwards loop cast on method. Knit across the chest stitches, cast on another 5, 6 (7, 9, 11) sts using the same method and join in the round again with the rest of the back piece. You should now have 72, 84 (102, 120, 160) sts.

You are now knitting in the round again. Continue knitting until tummy side is 1.5" from desired length.

K 29, 33 (41, 48, 67) sts. Then k 14, 18 (20, 23, 26) sts onto scrap yarn or spare needle for the tummy, then k to end of row.

Your held 14, 18 (20, 23, 26) sts are the tummy side, and the remaining sts are your back side. Your work should look like this:



You are now knitting flat.

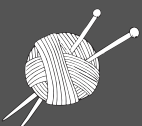
P2tog, purl to end of row,
turn work.

K2tog, k to end of row, turn
work.

Purl row.

Knit row.

Repeat these rounds a total
of 4 times each.



Continue knitting flat in stockinette, (knitting one side and purling the other), until the back piece is 1" from desired length.

From here, pick up stitches along the edge of the back flap you've made all along to the stitches held on scrap yarn, transfer those stitches back to your circular needle and knit across them. Continue picking up the stitches along the other edge of the back flap. Ensure your total number of stitches is a multiple of 4 (the number of stitches you pick up will depend on how long you have knit the back piece). You are now knitting in the round again.

K 1 row.

K2, p2 for 1".

Using Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind Off, BO all stitches.

Knit Sleeves (optional):

Create sleeves one at a time, using DPNs in the same size used to obtain gauge for the body of the sweater.

Pick up the 5, 6 (7, 9, 11) sts you BO on the top of the armhole.

Pick up 11, 10 (11, 11, 11) sts along one edge of the armhole.

Pick up the 5, 6 (7, 9, 11) sts you BO on the bottom of the armhole.

Pick up 11, 10 (11, 11, 11) sts along one edge of the armhole.

Arrange sts on your needles so they are equally distributed (it does not need to be perfectly equal). 32, 32 (36, 40, 44) sts.

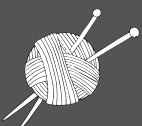
Join sleeve colour (your choice) and begin to knit in the round.

K 5 rounds.

K2, p2 for 10 rounds. Knit more rows for longer sleeves.

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Weave in ends and block.



Additional Notes:

This pattern is meant to be a beginner dog sweater pattern, so additional instructions for the leash hole are not included in the pattern. To do this, measure how far down you'd like the leash hole to be and do the following:

On that row, knit according to pattern directions, when you get to 5 sts before the end of round, BO 5 sts. Remove the BOR marker, BO 5 sts, knit rest of row according to pattern directions. At end of round, using backwards loop cast on, CO 5 sts, replace BOR marker, CO 5 sts and continue with pattern directions.

Alternatively, you can knit this without the leash hole and steek one in once completed.

Helpful Videos:

Long Tail Cast On - <https://youtu.be/p1If5XWGKT8>

Tummy Shaping - <https://youtu.be/7acWuFQF3hU>

Stretchy Bind Off - https://youtu.be/9_JDeRFLQlc

Backwards Loop Cast On: <https://youtu.be/BM9Va-mYlqo>

Pattern Support:

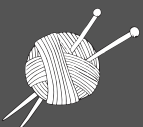
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