Knitty Style Guide, v12

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Pattern name

*by Designer Name*

Difficulty [Mellow, Tangy, Piquant, Extraspicy]

Description of pattern and design features/inspiration, construction tips, approx 350 words. Longer is fine if necessary.

Photo credit [name]

Model credit [name]
If only a body part – i.e. foot, hand – is shown, no model credit is necessary

SIZE

For women's garments: XS[S, M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X 5X]
*shown in size XX with XX inches/XX cm of ease*

For men's garments: S[M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X]
*shown in size XX with XX inches/XX cm of ease*

For socks, mittens, hats: S[M, L] – indicate if the range is Adult, Men’s, Women’s

**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

**Chest/Bust**: #[#, #, #, #, #, #] inches/#[#, #, #, #, #, #]cm

**Length:** #[#, #, #, #, #, #] inches/#[#, #, #, #, #, #]cm

MATERIALS

*one yarn:*

ManufacturerName [fiber content; yd/m per XX oz/XX g skein]; color: ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

*OR*

*multiple colors of the same yarn:*

ManufacturerName [fiber content; yd/m per XXg skein];

[MC] ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

[CC1] ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

[CC2] ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

*OR*

*multiple yarns of different brands:*

[MC] ManufacturerName [fiber content; yd/m per XXg skein]; color: ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

[CC] ManufacturerName [fiber content; yd/m per XXg skein]; color: ColorName; #[#, #, #] skeins

# set(s) US #XX/Xmm needles for working flat

# US #XX/Xmm circular needle, length-inch/length-cm

# set(s) US #XX/Xmm needles

Notions

[list all, e.g. cable needle, yarn needle, stitch markers, stitch holders, buttons, etc.]

GAUGE

# sts/# rows [or rounds, as applicable] = 4 inches/10 cm in stockinette stitch

# sts/# rows [or rounds, as applicable] = 4 inches/10 cm in pattern stitch [if applicable]

Note: gauge is always taken after blocking.

PATTERN NOTES

Any specific stitches to your pattern or necessary notes. Include both chart and written instructions where possible. (Particularly large patterns can be charted only.) Consult the Knitty Standard Book of British Birds <http://www.knitty.com/ksbbb.php> for our standard abbreviations list. Any stitch listed/defined there doesn’t need to be defined.

PATTERN

Note: Please read through a recent Knitty pattern for a guide on specific formatting and style. Because we publish online and have lots of space, and many of our audience don’t have English as their first language, we prefer to be explicit and detailed with our instructions. Spell things out row by row.

Pattern Item [back, front, sleeves, etc]

Patt details

Sample instructions:

*Row 1* [RS]: K1, (p1, k1) to end of row.

*Row 2* [WS]: (P1, k1) to last st, p1.

Repeat *Rows 2-3* twice more.

Round 1: (K2, p2) around.

Do:

* Spell out the row/round number.
* The initial instruction of a row/round is always capitalized, and should end with a period, e.g. Row 1 [RS]: K2, p to last 2 sts, k2.
* If working flat, specify RS/WS for the first two rows.
* If incs/decs are worked in a row/round, please list the resulting stitch count,
	+ e.g. Row 10 [RS]: K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. 76 sts.
* If the row is to be repeated, list the change in stitch count,
	+ e.g. Row 10 [RS]: K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. 2 sts decreased.
	+ and then list the final stitch count after the repeat is worked.
* Include both imperial and metric measurements, in the following format: #[#, #, #, #, #, #] inches/#[#, #, #, #, #, #] cm
* For multiple instructions, indicate as follows: 12[13, 14, 15]
***note:*** *no space between first number and square bracke*t

Avoid:

* Decrease/increase “evenly across” and “Reversing shapings”.
* Conversational or chatty tone. Instructions should be detailed and explicit without being wordy.

**FINISHING**

Finishing details

**ABOUT THE DESIGNER**

Short bio goes here. Include your headshot!

Email address (non-Rav) for knitters to contact with you support questions.

**Additional notes for the designer:**
*delete this section before submitting your pattern*

* Knitty patterns use CYC standard sizing. Full details can be found here: <http://www.yarnstandards.com/sizing.html>
* US spellings are our standard. Watch for "ou"s where they don't belong.
* Abbreviations that begin a sentence should be capitalized
* Use "inches", not inch symbol ["] universally
* Use "work" [not "knit"] when describing following a specific pattern for a specific measurement.
* Do not use fractions – they get lost in transit to our technical editor. Please use decimals or write the fractions in words (i.e. one-quarter or .25)
* Provide all measurements in imperial (inches) *and* metric (mm or cm). Imperial measurements should be whole numbers or quarters; metric measurements should be whole numbers or .5 – no smaller divisions. When providing measurements, format as follows:
2[3, 4] inches/5[7.5, 8] cm
* If calculating conversions, use the following formula: 1 inch = 2.54 cm.