

Kathy's simple slash-neck jumper pattern.



Knits in a small size or medium - approx 34"-36" and in brackets (38"-40")

I knit this short, as I AM short. Add more rows to lengthen.

Can be knitted with or without pockets, in whatever colour arrangement you like.

You will need:

About 500 gm DK yarn (US worsted weight)

Needles in 3.75 mm and 4.5 mm (size 9 and 7 old UK) (size 5 and 7 US)

Pockets (if desired) Using 4.5 mm needles cast on 19 (25) sts and work 26 (30) rows in stocking st. Break thread and leave sts on a stitch holder. Make 2.

Back:

using 3.75 (US 5) needles cast on 72 (92)sts.

Row 1: sl1 *k2, p2 repeat from * to last three sts k3

row 2 sl1 *p2, k2 repeat from * to last three sts p2 k1.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 11 times (total 16 (24) rows rib).

Change to 4.5mm needles (US size 7). Work in st st for 130 rows (row 1: sl1, k to end. Row 2

sl1, p to last stitch k1.)

Next row as row 1 of rib.

Next row as row 2 of rib.

Repeat these 2 rows 6 times more (total 14 rows rib)

cast off.

Front:

If not working pockets, work exactly as for back.

If working pockets:

Work as for back for rib. Change to 4.5 mm needles (US size 7). Work 30 rows st st.

Next row: insert pockets:

sl1 k 7 (9). Slip next 19 (25) sts onto a holder and k 19 (25) sts of pocket from holder. k 18 (22) . Slip next 19 (25)sts onto a holder and k 19 (25) sts of pocket from holder. k 8 (10).

next row: sl1, p to last st, k1

work 98 rows St st and 14 rows rib as for back.

Sleeves (make 2!)

Using 3.75 mm (US size 5) needles cast on 44 sts.

work as rib for back for 29 rows

Row 30 (Increase)

Work twice (front and back) into every stitch except the last. 87 sts.

Change to 4.5mm needles (US size 7).

Work st st for 110 rows.

Cast off.

Sew up shoulders, leaving gap wide enough to get your head through, but not much wider.

Find the centre of the cast off edge of the sleeve, and pin to seam at shoulder. Measure

down, and pin to side seam equally either side. (You will have little points along the side which you can count to ensure you have an equal number for each side of the sleeve). Sew the long seam from cuff to hem through the armpit. You can join the points together for a neat seam.

For pockets:

Transfer stitches at the top of the pocket on the holder back on to a size 3.75mm (US size 7) needle. Work 6 rows in rib as for back. Cast off in rib.

Sew pocket back into place. Sew rib neatly on to front.