

## Iris Melange Summer Top

## Materials

4 (5) 5 (6) 7 skeins of 50 g
Rainbow Melange color 20
$32 "(80 \mathrm{~cm})$ Circular needle US 4 ( 3.5 mm )

Crochet Hook B/C ( 2.5 mm )
Stitch holder
Stitch markers

## Sizes

S (M) L (XL) XXL

## Finished Measurements

Width: (stretches in width)
$161 / 2(18) 191 / 2(211 / 4) 223 / 4$ in 42 (46) 50 (54) 58 cm
Length:
18.9 (19.7) 20.5 (21.3) 22 in

48 (50) 52 (54) 56 cm

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## Gauge

26 sts and 34 rnds in pattern, Slightly stretched 25 sts and 32 row in stockinette

## Abbreviations

SSK: Slip 1 st to the right needle, then slip a 2nd st to the right needle. Insert the left needle through both sts and knit. This gives a nice looking decrease. M1: Pick up the bar between 2 sts, inserting the left needle from front to back and knit through the back to twist the st.
TS, Turning stitch: Turn with a German short row. Edge St: The first and last sts of the row are worked in stockinette $=k$ on the RS, $p$ on the WS.

Buy the yarn here:
http://shop.hobbii.com/iris-melange-summer-top

## Techniques

You can see videos of the techniques used in this pattern here:
German Short Rows - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Bz7YhiXuA8

## Pattern information

The top is worked in pattern over the whole piece. It is knit in the round until the arm holes when the work is divided. Then it will be worked flat on circular needles while at the same time increasing for the sleeves on each side.
The first and last sts of the row are worked in stockinette $=k$ on the RS, $p$ on the WS.
The shaping for the shoulders on the back is made using German Short Rows.
The shoulders are joined together with an extra needle. To finish, crochet a row of single crochet sts around the neck and sleeves.

## Pattern

## Body

CO 220 (240) 260 (280) 300 sts and join to work in the rnd.
Rnd 1: p1, *k3, p2 *, repeat to the end of the rnd, end with p1.
Rnd 2: Knit as the stitches show
Rnd 3: Knit as the stitches show
Rnd 4, pattern row: p1, *SSK, YO, k1, p2 *, repeat * to * to the end of the rnd. End with p1. Repeat these 4 rnds until the piece measures $12\left(12 \frac{1}{2}\right) 13(131 / 4) 13$ 3/4 in $/ 31$ (32) $33(34)$ 35 cm . End with rnd 2.
Place a marker to indicate the beginning of the rnd and a second marker to indicate the halfway point.

## Arm Hole

Work to 3 sts before the marker, bind off 6 sts (k2, p2, k2), work to 3 sts before the next marker, bind off 6 sts (k2, p2, k2), work the next bound off sts $=104$ (114) 124 (134) 144 sts for each side.

## Back and sleeves

Working flat in the established pattern and working the edge sts in stockinette $=k$ on the RS, p on the WS.
Now begin increasing at the beginning of each row for the sleeves as follows:
Next row, RS: k1, M1, work in pattern until there is 1 st remaining, k1.
Next row, WS: p1, M1, work in pattern until there is 1 st remaining, p1.
Repeat these 2 rows to increase in pattern.
Continue until you have increased $20(22) 24(26) 28$ sts on either side $=144(158) 172$ (186) 200 sts.

Work evenly in pattern until the piece measures 6 3/4 (7) 7 ½ (8) $81 / 4 \mathrm{in} / 17$ (18) 19 (20) 21 cm from the armhole. End with a WS row.

## Work the slanted shoulder with turning sts as follows:

*Work in pattern from the RS until there are 8 (9) 10 (11) 12 sts remaining on the row before the sleeve, turn with a TS, work from the WS until there are 8 (9) 10 (11) 12 sts remaining on the row before the sleeve, turn with a TS*,
*Knit until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 stitches left before TS, turn with a TS, knit until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 stitches left before TS, turn*, rep. from * to * until turned 3 times in total on each side.

Place a marker on either side of the middle 44 (46) 48 (50) 52 sts for the neck. Continue with the slanted shoulder, while working evenly on the neck edge.

## Right shoulder

Row 1, RS: Work to marker at the neck.
Row 2, WS: Work until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 sts before the TS, turn with a TS.
Row 3: Work to marker at the neck.
Row 4: Work until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 sts before the TS, turn with a TS.
Row 5: Work to marker at the neck.
Row 6: Work all sts, working the TS as 1 st $=50(56) 62(68) 74$ sts for the shoulder.
Place sts on a stich holder.

## Neck

Attach yarn from the RS and bind of the 44 (46) 48 (50) 52 sts for the neck. Do not cut the yarn, but continue knitting with the TS on the left shoulder as follows:

## Left shoulder

Row 1, RS: Work until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 sts before the TS, turn with a TS.
Row 2, WS: Work to marker at the neck.
Row 3: Work until there are 7 (8) 9 (10) 11 sts before the TS, turn with a TS.
Row 4: Work to marker at the neck.
Row 5: Work all sts, working the TS as 1 st $=50(56) 62$ (68) 74 sts for the shoulder.
Place sts on a stitch holder.

## Front piece and sleeves

Work the same as the back until there are 12 (13) 14 (15) 16 sts increased on either side $=$ 128 (140) 152 (164) 176 sts. End with a WS row.

Place a marker on either side of the middle $44(46) 48(50) 52$ sts for the neck.

## Left shoulder

Row 1, RS: k1, M1, work to 1 st before the marker, k1.
Row 2, WS: p1, work to 1 st before the marker, p1.
Repeat these 2 rows until there are 50 (56) 62 (68) 74 sts.
Work evenly until the piece matches length with the back from the armhole including the slanted shoulders with german short rows..

Knit the shoulder pieces together
Place the pieces together, WS facing WS, knit 1 st from each shoulder together with a 3rd needle and bind off.

## Neck Line

Bind off from the RS the $44(46) 48(50) 52$ sts, do not cut the yarn, but continue to knit the right shoulder as follows:

## Right Shoulder

Row $1, \mathrm{RS}$ : k 1 , work until there is 1 st remaining, k 1 .
Row 2, WS: p1, M1, work until there is 1 st remaining, p 1 .
Repeat these 2 rows until there are 50 (56) 62 (68) 74 sts.
Work evenly until the piece matches length with the back from the armhole including the slanted shoulders with german short rows..

## Knit the shoulder pieces together

Place the pieces together, WS facing WS, knit 1 st from each shoulder together with a 3rd needle and bind off.

## Edge

Crochet 1 rnd of single crochet sts around the neckline and sleeve edges.
NOTE. Work in the sts following the pattern (not between the sts) on the horizontal sides and every other st on the vertical sides.


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