



Bente - Top-down Sweater

No. 2004-193-9683

Materials:

7 (7) 8 (8) 9 skeins of 1.8 oz. (50 g) of Baby Wool, color 09

Circular needle 31.5 inches (80 cm), US size 2.5 (3 mm)

Stitch markers,
Stitch holder incl. wire, 2 pcs.

Sizes:

XS (S) M (L) XL

Measurements:

Width: 17.3 (18.1) 18.9 (20.1) 21.3 inches (44 (46) 48 (51) 54 cm)

Length: 22.8 (23.2) 24 (24.8) 25.6 inches (58 (59) 61 (63) 65 cm)

Buy the yarn here:

<http://shop.hobbii.com/bente-top-down-sweater>

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Knitting gauge:

26 sts and 32 rounds/ rows on 4" (10 cm) in stockinette stitches

Pattern information:

The sweater is knitted top-down.

German Short rows are knitted in the neck for a better fit.

The sweater has raglan sleeves on the yoke.

The work is divided and body and sleeves are finished separately.

In cases where only one number is provided, it's applicable for all sizes.

Techniques:

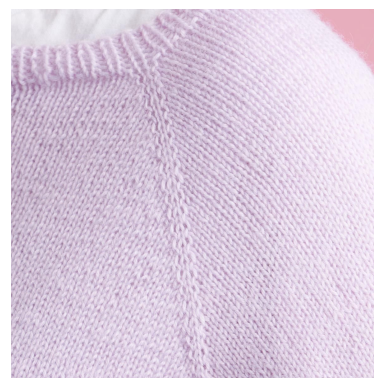
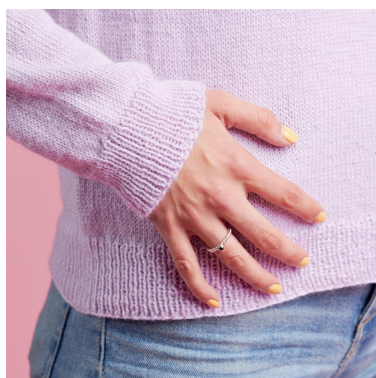
You can find videos of the techniques used in this pattern here:

German Short Rows

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Bz7YhiXuA8>

Magic Loop

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FtLalfMHMg>



Pattern

Rib edge / selvedge

Cast on 152 sts on a circular needle for all sizes and knit in the round.
Work 0.8 inches (2 cm) of rib: knit 1, purl 1.

Place a marker around the sts that are going to create the raglan seams, like this:

Place a marker around the 1st stitch, count 26 (24) 22 (20) 18 sts, place a marker the next stitch, count 48 (50) 52 (54) 56 sts, place a marker around the next stitch, count 26 (24) 22 (20) 18 sts, place a marker around the next stitch, count 48 (50) 52 (54) 56 sts to the 1st marker.

Now, you should have 26 (24) 22 (20) 18 sts for sleeves and 48 (50) 52 (54) 56 sts for back and front piece as well as 4 marked sts.

The beginning of the round is placed between the back and left sleeve.

Yoke

Neckline is shaped with German Short rows.

Place a marker in the middle of the front piece.

Work German Short Rows, and increase for raglan, like this:

1. row, right side (RS): work knit stitches until you have 18 sts left to the marker in the middle of the front piece.

Turn by working a turning stitch,

2. row, wrong side (WS): work purl sts until 18 sts left to the marker on the front piece,
Turn by working a turning stitch.

3. row, RS: *work knit sts to the marker in the raglan seam, 1 increase, knit 1, 1 increase*, repeat from *to* in all 4 seams, knit until you have 12 sts left to the marker on the middle of the front piece, turn by working a turning stitch = 8 increases,

4. row, WS: work purl sts until you have 12 sts left to the marker on the front piece,
Turn by working a turning stitch.

5. row, RS: *work knit sts to the marker in the raglan seam, 1 increase, knit 1, 1 increase*, repeat from * to * in all 4 seams, knit until you have 6 sts left to the marker on the middle of the front piece, turn by working a turning stitch,

6. row, WS: work purl sts until you have 6 sts left to the marker on the front piece,
Turn by working a turning stitch.

7. row/rnd, RS: knit stockinette stitches in the round over each stitch as you increase in the raglan seams.

NOTE: After a couple of rounds, you should be able to see 1 stitch between the increases in each seam. Move the marker as your work develops.

Continue working increases every 2nd round until you have 84 (86) 88 (92) 96 sts on the sleeve and 106 (112) 118 (126) 134 sts on the back and front piece plus 4 marked sts. Finish at the beginning of the round and work 1 round without increasing.

Here you divide your work into sleeves and body.

The sleeve sts are put on hold on stitch holders with wire and you knit the body over the rest of the sts, like this:

Place the sleeve sts on hold, knit up 6 sts using the knitted-cast-on technique, knit the front piece, place the sleeve sts on hold, knit up 6 sts using the knitted-cast-on technique, knit the back = 228 (240) 252 (268) 284 sts.

Body

Knit straight down until, your work measures approx. 11.8 inches (30 cm) from the armhole.

Rib edge / selvedge

Work 2 inches (5 cm) of rib: knit 1, purl 1.

Bind off in rib.

Sleeves

Place the sts from the one sleeve on the circular needle and knit up 6 sts in the armhole = 90 (92) 94 (98) 102 sts.

Knit stockinette sts in the round using the Magic Loop technique. Place a marker mid under the sleeve.

Work 4 rounds.

Round of decreases: knit to 3 sts before the marker, knit 2 sts together, knit 2, work 2 sts together through the back loops knitwise, knit the rest of the round.

Decrease every 8th round until you have 60 (62) 64 (66) 68 sts.

Knit straight up until the sleeve measures 15-16.7 inches (38-40 cm) from the armhole.

Decrease evenly with 6 sts on the next rnd.

Rib edge / selvedge

Knit 2 inches (5 cm) of rib: knit 1, purl 1.

Bind off with an elastic bind off.

Knit one more sleeve.

Happy knitting!