



**KNITTING PATTERN** 

# Klara

**Men's Sweater** 

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#### **MATERIALS**

Main Colour (MC): 8 | 9 | 10 (10 | 11 | 11) 12 skeins of **Alpaca Silk** in the shade Berliner Café (10)

Contrast Colour 1 (CC 1): 2 | 2 | 3 (3 | 3 | 4) 4 skeins of **Alpaca Silk** in the shade Dakar Dust (03)

Contrast Colour 2 (CC 2): 2 | 2 | 3 (3 | 4 | 4) 4 skeins of **Soft Alpaca** in the shade Cayenne (38)

Please note: If you use different yarn, check the yardage to be sure you have the right amount of yarn!

Circular needles 4.5 mm and 3.5 mm (optional: DPNs for the sleeves/cuffs) Darning needle Stitch markers

# YARN QUALITY

**Soft Alpaca**, Hobbii 100% Alpaca 50 g (1.75 oz) = 165 m (180 yds)

**Alpaca Silk**, Hobbii 70% Alpaca, 30% Mulberry Silk 50 g (1.75 oz) = 166 m (181 yds)

# **GAUGE**

18 sts x 28 rs in colourwork pattern and in stockinette stitch without colourwork pattern, with 2 strands of yarn held together on 4.5 mm knitting needles (wet blocked) = 10 cm x 10 cm / 4" x 4"

#### SIZE

XS | S | M (L | XL | 2XL) 3XL

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

Bust Circumference Finished Sweater: 108 | 113 | 126 (131 | 140 | 147) 154 cm / 42.5 | 44.5 | 49.5 (51.5 | 55 | 57.75) 60.75 inches with a positive ease of 5 - 10 cm / 2 - 4 inches.

#### **Length Finished Sweater:**

57 | 60 | 62 (65 | 67 | 70) 71 cm / 22.5 | 23.75 | 24.5 (25.5 | 23.5 | 27.5) 28 inches incl. hem – can be adapted individually.

# Sleeve Length:

41 cm / 16.25 inches plus 6 cm / 2.5 inches cuffs – can be adapted individually

#### PATTERN INFORMATION

Slightly oversized Sweater with a Joyful Colourwork Pattern in 7 sizes. The sweater is worked top down in one piece with raglan increases, in stockinette stitch and with colourwork pattern on body and sleeves.

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# **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions regarding this pattern, please feel free to email us at support@hobbii.com. Please make sure to include the pattern's name and number.

Happy Crafting!



# **Pattern**







# **ABBREVIATIONS**

st(s) = stitch(es)
r(s) = row(s)/round(s)
rsr = right side row
wsr = wrong side row
k = knit
p= purl
k2tog = knit two stitches together
SM = stitch marker
RS = raglan stitch
m1r = make 1 right
m1l = make 1 left

# **INFO AND TIPS**

#### Structure:

The sweater is worked top down in one piece with raglan increases, in stockinette stitch and with colourwork pattern on body and sleeves. First, the yoke is worked back and forth in rows to shape the round neck. After joining the round neck to the round, the yoke is shaped with raglan increases in the round. After separating the sleeves from the body, the body is finished in the round with colourwork pattern and a hem in 2x2 ribbing. The sleeves are worked in stockinette stitch in the round in colourwork pattern as well. If you prefer, there are recommendations how to work decreases for a slightly tapered sleeve. In the end, the collar in 2x2 ribbing is attached to the round neck.

The fit of the sweater is comfortable with a little positive ease of 5 to 10 cm / 2 to 4 inches – which makes it cozy and comfortable to wear. The highlight of the sweater is the colourwork pattern, which is relatively easy to work – making the pattern suitable even for beginner knitters.

#### Notes:



**Edge stitches in rows:** are always knitted (in rsr and in wsr)

**Stockinette stitch**: k all sts in all rounds. When knitting in rows, k all sts in rsr and p all sts in wsr.

**Raglan increases:** The yoke of the sweater is formed with raglan increases. For each raglan line (4 in total), there are 2 central raglan stitches, which are marked with stitch markers. The stitch markers are always slipped. In every right side row (every second round), make 1 right before the 2 central raglan stitches and make 1 left after the 2 central stitches. In wrong side rows (every other second round), knit all sts except the sts of the ribbing.

<u>Make 1 right:</u> Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the stitch you have just knitted and the RS from back to front and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the front loop.

<u>Make 1 left:</u> Insert your needle under the strand of yarn between the RS and the next stitch you are going to knit from front to back and place it on your left needle. Knit it through the back loop so that it is twisted.

The sweater is knitted with 2 strands of yarn held together.

#### **BODY**

Cast on in total 64 | 64 | 76 (76 | 76 | 76) 76 sts on your 4.5 mm knitting needles with 2 strands of yarn held together in your MC and with your preferred cast-on-method. Place a SM before and after the two central raglan stitches for each raglan line – the table below provides an overview where to place the SM and how many stitches you should have on your knitting needles for each section of the yoke:

Size	Left	RS	Left	RS	Back	RS	Right	RS	Right	TOTAL
	Front		Sleeve				Sleeve		Front	
XS	1	2	14	2	26	2	14	2	1	64
S	1	2	14	2	26	2	14	2	1	64
M	1	2	18	2	30	2	18	2	1	76
L	1	2	18	2	30	2	18	2	1	76
XL	1	2	18	2	30	2	18	2	1	76
2XL	1	2	18	2	30	2	18	2	1	76
3XL	1	2	18	2	30	2	18	2	1	76

#### Yoke

From the next round onwards, the yoke is shaped with raglan increases as follows: R 1 (rsr): k all sts of the left front part, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the left sleeve, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the back part, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the right sleeve, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the right

R 2 (wsr): p all sts.

front part (= in total 8 raglan increases).

Repeat these 2 rows in total 5 times (=104 | 104 | 116 (116 | 116 | 116) 116 sts).



Then, work the raglan increase and the additional increases to shape the round neck as follows:

R 1 (rsr): k3, m1l, k all sts of the left front part, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the left sleeve, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the back part, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the right sleeve, m1r, k2, m1l, k all sts of the right front part until there are 3 sts left, m1r, k3 (= in total 10 increases).

R 2 (wsr): p all sts.

Repeat these 2 rows in total 5 times. You should now have in total 154 | 154 | 166 (166 | 166 | 166) 166 sts on your knitting needles or the following numbers per part:

Size	Left	RS	Left	RS	Back	RS	Right	RS	Right	TOTAL
	Front		Sleeve				Sleeve		Front	
XS	16	2	34	2	46	2	34	2	16	154
S	16	2	34	2	46	2	34	2	16	154
М	16	2	38	2	50	2	38	2	16	166
L	16	2	38	2	50	2	38	2	16	166
XL	16	2	38	2	50	2	38	2	16	166
2XL	16	2	38	2	50	2	38	2	16	166
3XL	16	2	38	2	50	2	38	2	16	166

Now the beginning of the round is shifted to the first raglan stitch and the round neck is closed to the round as follows:

<u>R 1 (rsr)</u>: slip the stitches of the left front part on your knitting needle in the right hand, cut the yarn and start with the first RS. **K2**, m1l, k all sts of the left sleeve, m1r, **k2**, m1l, k all sts of the back part, m1r, **k2**, m1l, k all sts of the right sleeve, m1r, **k2**, m1l, k all sts of the right front part, cast on 14 | 14 | 18 (18 | 18 | 18) 18 new sts after the last st and then continue to knit the slipped stitches of the left front part, m1r. Place a SM – this is your new beginning of the round.

You should now have in total 176 | 176 | 192 (192 | 192 | 192) 192 sts on your knitting needles. K all sts in the next round without any increases.

Finish the yoke as follows: K one round with raglan increases (= 8 increases in total) and k one round without raglan increases for the next  $20 \mid 22 \mid 24$  ( $26 \mid 28 \mid 30$ ) 32 times. Now you should have in total  $336 \mid 352 \mid 384$  ( $400 \mid 416 \mid 432$ ) 448 sts on your knitting needles or the following numbers per part:

Size	RS	Left	RS	Back	RS	Right	RS	Front	TOTAL
		Sleeve				Sleeve			
XS	2	76	2	88	2	76	2	88	336
S	2	80	2	92	2	80	2	92	352
М	2	88	2	100	2	88	2	100	384
L	2	92	2	104	2	92	2	104	400
XL	2	96	2	108	2	96	2	108	416
2XL	2	100	2	112	2	100	2	112	432



3XL	2	104	2	116	2	104	2	116	448
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# **Separating the Sleeves**

R 1: **k2**, put to rest the left sleeve sts on a separate rope/leftover yarn and cast on 6 | 6 | 10 (10 | 14 | 16) 18 new sts under the armpit, **k2**, k all sts of the back part, **k2**, put to rest the right sleeve sts on a separate rope/leftover yarn and cast on 6 | 6 | 10 (10 | 14 | 16) 18 new sts under the armpit, **k2**, k all sts of the front part. You should have in total 196 | 204 | 228 (236 | 252 | 264) 276 sts on your knitting needles.

Work one more round in stockinette stitch in the MC.

# **Finishing the Body**

The body of the sweater is now finished in stockinette stitch in the round with a colour work pattern. Start with the colourwork in the next round. To make the count easier, it starts by 1 again:

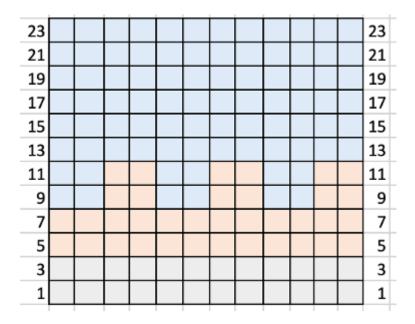
<u>R 1-4:</u> Change to your CC 1 (e. g. Dakar Dust) and work in total 4 rounds in stockinette stitch in this new colour.

<u>R 5-8:</u> Change to your CC 2 (e. g. Cayenne) and work in total 4 rounds in stockinette stitch in this new colour.

<u>R 9-12:</u> Work an alternating pattern with the MC and CC 2 (e. g. Cayenne) as follows: \*k2 in CC 2, k2 in the MC\*, repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round. Repeat this colourwork pattern for 4 rounds.

R 13-24: Change to your MC and work in stockinette stitch with your MC.

Furthermore, the knitting chart below displays the colourwork pattern (please note that the chart only displayed the odd rs (rsr)):





Repeat R 1-24 in total  $3 \mid 3 \mid 3 \mid 4 \mid 4 \mid 4$  4 times – or until you feel comfortable with the length of the sweater. Please note, that the hem will add around 6 more cm / 2.5 inches to the sweater.

# Hem in 2x2 Ribbing

From the next round onwards, work 20 more rs in stockinette stitch in the MC. Then, work all sts in 2x2 ribbed pattern for the next 6 cm / 2.5 inches.

Cast off all sts with your preferred method and cut the yarn.

#### **SLEEVES**

Pick up the sleeve stitches with your 4.5 mm knitting needles and 2 strands of yarn held together and pick up 8 (8 | 12 | 12) 16 | 16 | 16 new sts directly out of the body under the armpit. Place a SM – this is your new beginning of the round. You should have in total 84 | 88 | 100 (104 | 112 | 116) 120 sts on your knitting needles.

K one more r in stockinette stitch in the MC.

Start with the colourwork in the next round. To make the count easier, it starts by 1 again:

<u>R 1-4:</u> Change to your CC 1 (e. g. Dakar Dust) and work in total 4 rounds in stockinette stitch in this new colour.

<u>R 5-8:</u> Change to your CC 2 (e. g. Cayenne) and work in total 4 rounds in stockinette stitch in this new colour.

<u>R 9-12:</u> Work an alternating pattern with the MC and CC 2 (e. g. Cayenne) as follows: \*k2 in CC 2, k2 in the MC\*, repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round. Repeat this colourwork pattern for in total 4 rounds.

<u>R 13-24:</u> Change to your MC and work in stockinette stitch with your MC.

Repeat R 1-24 in total 4 times – or until you feel comfortable with the length of the sleeve. If you prefer, you are welcome to work in decreases for a slightly tapered sleeve as follows: When working R 13-24 in the MC, \*k2tog before the two middle marked stitches under the armpits and k2tog after the middle marked stitches under the armpits\*. Repeat the decreases from \* to \* in R 13 and 23. Then, the colourwork pattern will work out in the next section and the sleeve will have a slight shaping (and not a balloon-like shape).

After the last pattern repeat, work 10 more rs in the MC – or until you are satisfied with the length. Please note, that the cuffs will add around 6 cm / 2.5 inches of length to the final sleeve.

# Cuffs

Change to 3.5 mm knitting needles and work the following decreases: \*k1, k2tog\*, repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round. If there are stitches left, knit them. You should now have 48 | 51 | 56 (59 | 67 | 70) 75 | 78 | 80 sts on your knitting needles.

For size L, XL and 3XL, work in the following decreases in the next r: \*k2tog\*, repeat from \* to \* in total 3 times (= 56/64/72 sts). Then, start to work the cuffs in 2x2 ribbed pattern.

For size 2XL and 4XL, work in the following decreases in the next r: \*k2tog\*, repeat from \* to \*



in total 2 times 68/76 sts). Then, start to work the cuffs in 2x2 ribbed pattern. For size M and 5XL, continue directly with the 2x2 ribbed pattern described below:

Work the next 18 rs (= around 6 cm / 2.5 inches) all sts in 2x2 ribbed pattern, starting with k2, p2, k2, p2 and so forth. Cast off all sts in the next r with your preferred method.

Repeat the instructions for the 2<sup>nd</sup> sleeve.

# **COLLAR**

Pick up stitches along the neckline to work the collar in 2x2 ribbing. Start at the keyhole at the back part, work around the neckline and end at the other side of the keyhole at the back part. Use two strands of yarn of the MC and your 3.5 mm knitting needles. I recommend to pick up 1 st per 1 st and 2 sts per 3 rs. If you have a tighter knitting tension, I recommend to pick up 1 st per 1 r. If you have a looser knitting tension, I recommend to pick up 1 st per 2 rs. Your total number of stitches therefore depends on your individual knitting tension, but should be divisible by 4 (+2 edge sts).

Now work for 18 rounds in 2x2 ribbing, starting with k1 (edge st) k2, p2, k2, p2 and so forth, k1 (edge st). Cast off all sts with an elastic bind-off-method (e. g. the sewn bind-off in 2x2 ribbing).

#### **COMPLETION**

Wet block your sweater and let it dry flat. Weave in all ends.

Your new handmade Klara Sweater Men is finished!

I would be thrilled to see your results! If you like, share them on Instagram with the Hashtag **#klaramenssweater** and my tag **@kolibri.by\_johanna** 

**Enjoy!** Johanna