

Doll Sweater

The sweater is knitted from the top down using a circular needle. Yarn-overs are used on both sides of each sleeve to increase the size. After reaching 4" total, the sleeve stitches are placed on waste yarn and the body of the sweater is finished. The sleeves are finished using a set of double pointed needles.



Notes on pattern: Mary Hogan designed this knitted cardigan sweater for the medical education dolls designed by Mary (www.marymhogan.com). Instructions were developed and refined during September and October 2018. ¹

Materials and tools

Several ounces of yarn. Circular knitting needle and a set of (4) double pointed needles of the size indicated, waste yarn, and a yarn needle for finishing.

General Instructions

- The table summarizes the yarn weight, needle size for the cast on.
- Instructions are given for sock yarn, followed by baby, worsted, and bulky in parentheses.
- Except for finishing the sleeves, K the first and last 4 (4, 3, 3) stitches of each row.
- Place markers (pm) between sweater sections during cast on.
- Slip markers (slm) as you get to them during knitting.

yarn weight	needle size	Cast on instructions for different weight yarns						
		L center band	L sweater front	L sleeve	sweater back	R sleeve	R sweater front	R center band
Sock yarn, fine, #2	2	4	6	10	16	10	6	4
Baby yarn, light, #3	4	4	5	9	14	9	5	4
Worsted, medium, #4	6	3	5	7	12	7	5	3
Bulky, heavy, #5	8	3	4	6	10	6	4	3

Using a size 2(4,6,8) circular needle CO 4, pm, 6, pm, 10, pm, 16, pm, 10, pm, 6, pm, 4 (4, pm, 5, pm, 9, pm, 14, pm, 9, pm, 5, pm, 4; 3, pm, 5, pm, 7, pm, 12, pm, 7, pm, 5, pm, 3; 3, pm, 4, pm, 6, pm, 10, pm, 6, pm, 4, pm, 3).

Neck:

Row 1: K4 (4, 3, 3), slip first marker, P1, K1 rib to the last marker, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.

Row 2: K first and last 4 (4, 3, 3) stitches and continue in rib pattern for 3 (3, 2, 2) more rows

¹ The design was inspired by *Sassy Knit Outfits for 18-Inch Dolls* by Jeanne Kussrow-Lawson (Publisher: Annie's, Berne Indiana, © 2014, 2017).

Next 2 rows:

- K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, K across until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.
- K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, P across until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.

Sweater Body and Sleeves: use yarn overs to increase

Row A: K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm

*K until 1 stitch before next marker, YO, slm, K1, YO,

Repeat from * until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches. [8 increases total]

Row B: K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, P until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.

P the stitches that were made from the YO done on the previous row.

Rep Rows A & B until piece measures 4", ending with a B row.

Transition Row: In this row the sleeve stitches are moved to waste yarn.

K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm

K until next marker, remove marker, slip all stitches until the next marker to waste yarn [for the sleeve], K to the next marker [sweater back], remove marker, slip all stitches until the next marker to waste yarn [sleeve], remove marker, K to end of row.

Body Row 1: K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, P until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.

Body Row 2: K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, K until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches.

Rep Body Row 1 and Body Row 2 until the sweater measure 5", ending with a P row.

Bottom Band: work in rows K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, slm, work in K1 P1 rib until the last marker, slm, K4 (4, 3, 3) stitches, until the piece measures 5- $\frac{3}{4}$." BO on next row.

Finishing Sleeves: Using dpns (I have also done sleeves with the circular needle) pick up the stitches of one sleeve, K around for 1 inch, then switch to a K1, P1 rib for about $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Bind off. Complete the other sleeve in the same way. Use yarn needle to work in all yarn ends.

Other options:

You can add several rows of contrasting yarn to the sweaters.

Sweater in progress, showing sweater sections and yarn markers.



Abbreviations used	
BO	bind off
CO	cast on
dpn	double pointed needle
K	knit
P	purl
pm	place marker
rep	repeat
slm	slip marker
st	stitch
YO	yarn over