

HOODIE

LANA GATTO

Size: UK 10/12-12/14 – USA 6/8-8/10 EU 36/38-38/40 **Size:** UK 14/16-16/18 – US 10/12-12/14 EU 40/42-42/44 **NOTE:** Figures in brackets () refer to larger sizes.

Where only one figure is given this refers to both sizes. Skill Level: advanced

How much yarn: 13 (16) balls of 50g (125m) of Super Soft yarn, in rust shade no. 14198 (100% Merino Extrafine Wool) **Needles:** Pair of 4.00mm (no. 8) knitting needles Two 4.00mm (no. 8) double-pointed (Dp) knitting needles

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point **Other items:** Two stitch-holders

STITCHES

Using needles: K1,P1 rib stocking stitch (st st). CARTRIDGE STITCH: (work over any number of sts) Rows 1, 5 and 7: K all sts.

Rows 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10: P all sts.

Rep Rows 5 – 10 throughout.

I-CORD EDGE STITCH: work with two Dp needles. Cast on 3 sts. Do not turn work but slide sts to opposite end of needle and pull yarn tightly across back of sts. Knit 2 sts, slip next st, yarn over needle, insert needle into edge, from front to back, and K1. There are 5 sts on needle. Slip last but one st over last st. There are 4 sts. Slip last but one st over last st. There are 3 sts. * Slide sts to opposite end of needle and pull yarn tightly across back of sts. Knit 2 sts, slip next st, yarn over needle, insert needle into edge, at a regular distance, and K1. There are 5 sts on needle. Slip last but one st over last st. There are 4 sts. Slip last but one st over last st. There are 4 sts. Slip last but one st over last st. There are 3 sts. Rep from * across edge. At end, cast off.

TENSION

19 sts and 40 rows measure 10cm square over cartridge stitch with 4.00mm (no. 8) needles.

Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

INSTRUCTIONS

Back: work top down. With 4.00mm (no. 8) needles cast on 216 (232) sts and work in cartridge stitch. When work measures 12 (13)cm, corresponding to 48 (52) needles, cast off 3 sts at beg of next 20 (24) rows and 2 sts at beg of following 24 rows: in this manner other 44 (48) rows have been worked, corresponding to 11 (12)

cm. 108 (112) sts remain. Then dec 1 st on each end every 4h row 4 (0) times, every 6th row 6 (4) times, every 8th row 0 (4) times. 88 (96) sts remain. Work other 4 (8) rows straight. Work 18 rows K1,P1 rib. Cast off in rib.

Front: work as Back.

Right Sleeve: with 4.00mm (no. 8) needles cast on 8 sts. Work first 3 sts in cartridge st, centre 2 sts in stocking st and the other 3 sts in cartridge st. Work 8 rows, corresponding to 2cm, in this manner, then inc 1 st on inner side of each cartridge part on next and every following 8th row 17 (19) times. There are 44 (48) sts, whose 21 (23) sts in cartridge st, 2 sts in st st and 21 (23) in cartridge st. Continue to work straight. When sleeve measures 48 (51) cm, i.e. 192 (204) rows, cast off centre 2 sts, join another ball of yarn and continue to work separately the 2 parts. For RH (Right Hand) part work other 24 (28) rows in cartridge st, decreasing on LH (Left Hand) edge (= neck edge) 1 st every other row 8 (10) times and every following 4th row twice. Cast off rem 11 sts. For LH (Left Hand) part, work the 21 (23) sts in cartridge st for other 36 (40) rows, corresponding to 9 (10) cm. Leave these 21(23) sts on a stitch-holder. Left Sleeve: work as Right Sleeve, reversing shapings.

FINISHING

Place on Dp needles the sts of each Sleeve left on stitchholder. With yarn needle and working yarn, graft sleeve sts in darning st to correspond to each other. This seam corresponds to middle of Back. Sew Sleeves to upper side of Back and Front, leaving 6cm free in the middle of Front: this space is for hood border. With Dp needles work a I-cord edge at cuff of each Sleeve. Sew side and sleeve seams.

Hood: with 4.00mm (no. 8) needles and RS facing, pick up approx 70 (80) sts across neck edge and work 116 (120) rows in cartridge st, corresponding to 29 (30) cm. Place a half of sts on a Dp needle and the other half of sts on the other Dp needle. With yarn needle, graft sts in darning st to correspond to each other. With 4.00mm (no. 8) needles and RS facing, pick up approx 134 (150) sts along short opening (in the middle of Front) of Right Sleeve, Hood edge and short opening (in the middle of Front) of Left Sleeve. Work 16 rows K1,P1 rib, corresponding to 4cm. Cast off all sts in rib. Sew two ends of rib border, superimposing left one to right one at base of neck shaping (in the middle of Front).

Note: wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.