

Hellenic Pullover



This sweater was born out of the slightly mad fever-dream of the 2014 Ravellenic Games. When I decided to participate, I knew I had to push myself over the short two-weeks of the Olympics. I knew that I had to make a sweater. But a plain old sweater wouldn't do! I had been playing around with slip stitches and stripes. When I put them together the Hellenic Pullover was born.

The Hellenic Pullover is a simple top down yoke sweater with slip-stitch colorwork at yolk, hem and cuffs. A panel of short rows at the back of the neck make the sweater lay nicely over your shoulders, and a rolled ribbing collar gives this sweater a beautiful finish. It's knit a fairly large gauge with cozy (and affordable) Knit Picks' Wool of the Andes, making it perfect for when you want a new hand-knit sweater *right now*.

On your mark! Get set! Knit!

Sizes

Finished chest circumference: 32 [36, 40, 44] Inches

Shown: Size 40, worn with 4 inches of ease

Gauge

17 stitches=4 inches

20 rows=4 inches

Materials

Knit Picks Wool of the Andes:

- Main Color (MC): Sapphire Heather 5[6,6,7] skeins
- Contrast Color 1 (CC1): Bluebird 1[2,2,2] skeins
- Contrast Color 2 (CC2): Fairy Tale 1[1,1,1] skein
- Contrast Color 3 (CC3): Clarity 1[1,1,2] skeins
- Contrast Color 4 (CC4): Papaya Heather 1[1,1,1] skein

Size 9, 24" circular needle

Size 9 double-pointed needles

Scrap yarn

Crochet hook (for provisional cast on)

Scissors

Tapestry needle



Instructions

Yoke

1. Using the Provisional Cast-On and double-pointed needles, cast on 50[58, 64, 72] stitches with MC. Place marker at the beginning of the round (back of the neck).
2. Knit 1 round even.
3. [Knit 2, inc 1] around.
4. Knit 1 row. Increase 1[1, 0, 0] stitches (76[88, 96, 108] stitches remain). (Switch to circular needle as needed.)
5. Work short round shoulders as follows:
 1. Knit 15[17, 18, 20], wrap and turn.
 2. Purl 30[34, 36, 40], wrap and turn.
 3. Knit 2 rounds even.
 4. Knit 19[22, 24, 27], wrap and turn.
 5. Purl 38[44, 48, 54], wrap and turn.
 6. Knit 2 rounds even.
 7. Knit 23[26, 30, 32], wrap and turn.
 8. Purl 46[52, 60, 64], wrap and turn.
 9. Knit 2 rounds even. Cut MC.
6. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
7. Knit 1 round even.
8. [Knit 2, inc 1] around (114[132, 144, 162] stitches remain).
9. Work colorwork panel as follows:
 1. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC1.
 2. Join CC2. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 3. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC2.
 4. Join CC3. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 5. Knit 3 rounds even. Cut CC3.
 6. Join CC4. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 7. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC4
 8. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 9. Knit 1 round even.
10. [Knit 3, inc 1] around (152[176, 192, 216] stitches remain).
11. Repeat step 9.
12. [Knit 12, inc 1] around **Note:** For sizes 32 and 36, this repeat won't fit exactly, and that's OK. Just repeat until you get to the end. (164[190,208,234] stitches remain).
13. Repeat step 9.
14. In CC1, knit 2 more rounds even. Cut CC1.
15. Join MC. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
16. Knit around, increasing 0[2, 0, 2] evenly around yoke. (164 [192,208, 236] stitches remain)
17. Knit even until piece measures 8.5[8.5, 9, 9] inches from cast-on edge.

Body

1. Split the yoke into three sections for arms and body as follows:
 1. Knit 27 [32, 34, 39].
 2. Transfer 28[32, 36, 40] stitches to scrap yarn.
 3. Cast on 14[14, 16, 18] stitches (underarm).
 4. Knit 54 [64, 68, 78].
 5. Transfer 28[32, 36, 40] stitches to scrap yarn.
 6. Cast on 14[14, 16, 18] stitches (underarm).
 7. Knit 27 [32, 34, 39].
2. Knit even with MC until body measures 10[10, 10.5, 11] inches from underarms.
3. Cut MC and knit the waist colorwork panel as follows:
 1. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 2. Knit 3 round even. Cut CC1.
 3. Join CC2. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 4. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC2.
 5. Join CC3. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 6. Knit 3 rounds even. Cut CC3.
 7. Join CC4. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 8. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC4
 9. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 10. Knit 3 rounds even. Cut CC1
 11. Join MC. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
4. Knit 2 rows even with MC.
5. Decrease 16[20, 20, 24] stitches evenly across the next row. (148 [172,188,212] stitches remain)
6. [Knit 2, purl 2] around for 2 inches (10 rows).
7. Bind off loosely in pattern.



Arms

1. Transfer the 28[32, 36, 40] stitches from scrap yarn to double-pointed needles and knit with MC. Pick up and knit 14[14, 16, 18] stitches from the cast-on underarm. (42[46,52,58] stitches remain)
2. Knit 7 [7, 7.5, 7.5] inches even.
3. Place marker at center of underarm. This is now the beginning of the round.
4. Ssk, knit to 2 before marker, k2tog.
5. Repeat Row 4 every 7th row, until 32[36, 40, 44] stitches remain.
6. Knit even until arm measures 11[12, 13, 14] inches from underarm.
7. Cut MC and Work color-work panel as follows:
 1. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 2. Knit 3 round even. Cut CC1.

3. Join CC2. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 4. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC2.
 5. Join CC3. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 6. Knit 3 rounds even. Cut CC3.
 7. Join CC4. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
 8. Knit 1 round even. Cut CC4
 9. Join CC1. [Slip 1 purlwise, knit 1] around.
 10. Knit 3 rounds even. Cut CC1
 11. Join MC. [Knit 1, slip 1 purlwise] around.
8. Knit 3 rows even with MC.
 9. [Knit 2, purl 2] around for 2 inches (10 rows).
 10. Bind off loosely in pattern.

Repeat with other Arm.

Collar

- Remove scrap yarn from provisional cast-on and transfer stitches to DPNs. (50[58,64,72] stitches remain)
- With MC, [Knit 2, purl 2] around for 2 inches (10 rows).
- Cut a very long tail. Fold the collar over so that it forms a tube. Use the Kitchener stitch to sew the live stitches to the first row of the yoke.
- Sew in all ends and block lightly.



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