



## **Girly Top with Cap Sleeves**

**This top is so easy to make! It's made in one piece, so there aren't any seams. The solid colour version can be knit from any DK weight yarn and the Fair Isle version is in 4ply cotton. Pattern includes the flower pin.**



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**Materials: Version 1** – Fair Isle in 4ply  
Mandarin Petit 100% cotton

	Colour	Small	Medium	Large
Main Colour:	D572 Chocolate	2	2	2
Contrast A:	C505 Bright Pink	2	2	2
Contrast B:	I705 Turquoise	2	2	2
Contrast C:	G722 Lemon Lime	1	1	1
Contrast D:	I073 Navy	2	2	2

**Materials: Version 2** – Solid Colour in DK  
Super Fine Egyptian Cotton DK

Small	Medium	Large
6	7	8

Flower Pin: Left over double knitting yarn from the top and scrap amounts of double knitting yarn from your stash.

### Finished Measurements

	Small	Medium	Large
Approximate Width Version 1	31"	34"	38"
Approximate Width Version 2	31"	34"	36"
Length	21"	22"	23"

### Needles:

Version 1: 2.75mm (US 2) and 3.25mm (US 3) 60cm (24") circular needles and one set of 2.75mm double points

Version 2: 3.5mm (US 4) and 4mm (US 6) 60cm (24") circular needles and one set of 3.5mm double points

2 stitch holders

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### Tension

Tension for Version 1: 28 sts = 4" on 3.25mm (US 3) needles over stocking stitch

Tension for Version 2: 22 sts = 4" on 4mm (US 6) needles over stocking stitch

Check your tension carefully, counting the stitches of the centre 4" of a 6" square. Change your needle size as you need to get the right tension before you begin.

**Abbreviations:**

rnd = round

K2tog = knit two sts together as if they were one.

yo = yarn over needle

Sl = slip

p2sso = pass 2 slipped sts over

**Instructions**

**Version 1:** With 2.75mm (US 2) circular needles, and Main Colour, cast on 216 (240, 264) sts. Knit one rnd, Purl one rnd. Repeat the last two rounds 2 more times. 6 rnds  
Change to stocking stitch and 3.25mm (US 3) circular needles and work the remainder of the top in fair isle pattern, following the graph.

**Shape Armholes:** When the piece measures 14" ending on the 5th of a colour change on the graph pattern, work across the first 18 sts and slip them onto a st holder. Work across next 108 (120, 132) sts. Slip the last 18 sts onto a holder and work the remaining 90 (102, 114) sts to the beginning of the rnd.

**Make Sleeves:** Next rnd: Turn work to the wrong side and cast on 54 (60, 66) sts. Turn to the right side and work across 90 (102, 114) sts. Turn to the wrong side and cast on 54 (60, 66) sts. Turn to the right side and work the remaining 90 (102, 114) sts. Work these 288 (324, 360) sts for a further 4.5", ending on a rnd that requires a colour change in the fair isle pattern.

**Neck Shaping:** Next rnd: \*K2tog, K4\* to end of rnd adjusting fair isle pattern according to graph for neck shaping. Work 4 more rnds. Next rnd: \*K2tog, K3\* to the end of rnd, then work the final 3 rnds from the graph for neck shaping. 192 (216, 240) sts  
Change to 2.75mm (US 2) circular needles and Main Colour. \*Knit one rnd, Purl one rnd\* twice. Cast off.

With 2.75mm (US 2) double points and Main Colour, slip and knit the stitches from one armhole stitch holder and pick up and knit one st for every cast on stitch of the sleeve. \*Knit one rnd, Purl one rnd\* twice. Cast off. Repeat for opposite armhole.

**Version 2:** With 3.5mm (US 4) circular needles, cast on 168 (188, 200) sts. Work in K2, P2 rib. Change to stocking stitch and 4mm (US 6) circular needles.

**Size Small and Medium Only:** Increase 1 st at the beginning of the round. K83 (93) increase in the next st and K to the end of rnd.

**All Sizes:** Work the remainder of the top in stocking stitch. 170 (190, 200) sts

**Shape Armholes:** When the piece measures 14", work across the first 15 sts and slip them onto a st holder. Work across next 85 (95, 100) sts. Slip the last 15 sts onto a holder and work the remaining 70 (80, 85) sts to the beginning of the rnd.

**Make Sleeves:** Next rnd: Turn work to the wrong side and cast on 45 (50, 55) sts. Turn to the right side and work across 70 (80, 85) sts. Turn to the wrong side and cast on 45 (50, 55) sts. Turn to the right side and work the remaining 70 (80, 85) sts. Work these 230 (260, 280) sts for a further 4".

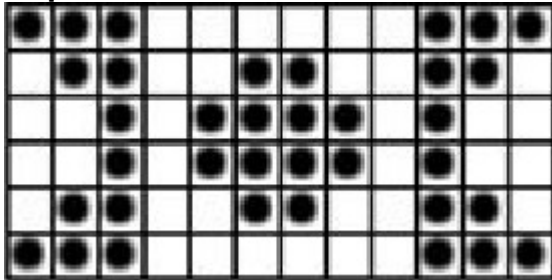
**Neck Shaping:** Next rnd: \*K2tog, K3\* to end of rnd. Work 4 more rnds. Next rnd: \*K2tog, K2\* to the end of rnd, then work 2 rnds. 138 (156, 168) sts.

**Size Small Only:** K2tog at the beginning of next rnd. K 68 sts, K2tog, K to end. 136 sts

**All Sizes:** Change to 3.5mm (US 4) circular needles and work in K2, P2 rib for 6 rnds..

With 3.5mm (US 4) double points, slip and knit the stitches from one armhole stitch holder and pick up and knit one st for every cast on stitch of the sleeve. Work in K2, P2 rib for 6 rnds. Cast off. Repeat for opposite armhole.

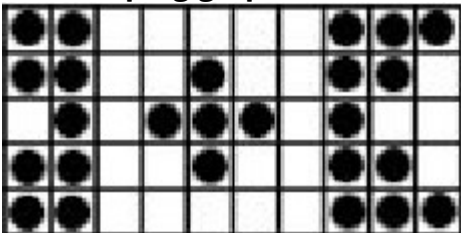
**Graphs for Version 1**



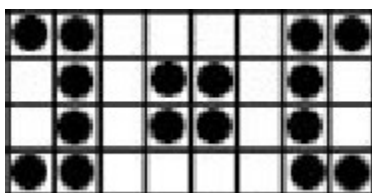
Work this graph for the main body of the top, up to the neckshaping, changing colours every 6 rnds as follows:

- rnds 1-6: Dots = Chocolate, Squares = Bright Pink
  - rnds 7-12: Dots = Chocolate, Squares = Turquoise
  - rnds 13-18: Dots = Navy, Squares = Turquoise
  - rnds 19-24: Dots = Navy, Squares = Lemon Lime
  - rnds 25-30: Dots = Bright Pink, Squares = Lemon Lime
  - rnds 31-36: Dots = Bright Pink, Squares = Turquoise
  - rnds 37-42: Dots = Navy, Squares = Turquoise
  - rnds 42-48: Dots = Navy, Squares = Bright Pink
- Repeat these 48 rnds for the body of the top.

**Neck shaping graph for first decrease.**



**Neck shaping graph for second decrease.**



## Flower Pin

With 4mm (US 6) needles, and a contrast piece of yarn, cast on 92 sts.

rnd 1: Sl 1, \*P5, K13\* to the last st, K1

rnd 2: Sl 1, \*K5, P13\* to the last st, K1

rnd 3: Sl 1, \*P2, yo, P1, yo, P2, K5, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K5\* to the last st, K1

rnd 4: Sl 1, \*K7, P11\* to the last st, K1

Change yarn colour

rnd 5: Sl 1, \*P3, yo, P1, yo, P3, K4, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K4\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 6: Sl 1, \*K9, P9, to the last st, K1

Rnd 7: Sl 1 \*P9, K3, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K3\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 8: Sl 1, \*K3, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K3, P7\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 9: Sl 1 \*P7, K2, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K2\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 10: Sl 1, \*K2, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K2, P5\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 11: Sl 1 \*P5, K1, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K1\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 12: Sl 1, \*K1, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, K1, P3\* to the last st, K1

Rnd 13: Sl 1, \*P3, Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso\*, to the last st, K1

Rnd 14: Sl1, \*Sl 2 sts together, knitwise, K1, p2sso, P1\*, to the last st, K1

Break yarn . Weave yarn end through the remaining 10 sts. Sew side edges together with cast on yarn end. Draw the 10 sts closed and stitch firmly.

Flower Centre: With another small amount of scrap yarn, cast on 10 sts and work 6 rnds in stocking stitch. Weave yarn end through the sts on the needle, sew side edges together with cast on yarn end. Draw the 10 sts closed and stitch firmly. Stuff with a bit of remaining yarn. Weave through the cast on edge and draw firmly closed. With yarn darning tool, stitch through the little stuffed ball at the centre where the ends were drawn closed. Pull tightly to make a little dimple in the centre. Use this yarn end to sew to the centre of the flower. Attach a pin to the back of the flower.



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