

Heart grid cardigan knitting pattern

Difficulty: medium

Finished Garment Measurements

The measurements below describe the finished piece once blocked and ready to wear.

- **Length:** 52 cm
- **Bust:** 94 cm
- **Sleeve length:** approx. 37 cm (including cuff)
- **Sleeve cuff circumference:** approx. 17 cm
- **Upper sleeve circumference:** 30 cm
- **Neck depth:** approx. 9 cm
- **Cuff length:** approx. 13 cm

Each piece is shaped gently and proportioned for a balanced, comfortable fit — classic, wearable, and easy to style.



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Comment: **The finished bust measurement is listed as 94 cm.**

Based on the stated gauge (24 sts per 10 cm = 2.4 sts/cm) and the total stitch count (112 back + 54 + 54 fronts = 220 sts), the actual circumference calculates to approximately 91.6 cm.

Please clarify whether the 94 cm measurement includes ease, rounding, or if stitch counts should be adjusted.

Materials

- Yarn: Baby Cashsoft Merino (130 m per 50 g)
Main color: approx. 780 m (6 balls)
Contrast color: approx. 520 m (4 balls)
Total yardage required: approx. 780 m
Yardage is estimated. Please allow extra for swatching and individual tension variations.
- Needles:
 - **2.5 mm** (US 1.5) circular or straight needles for ribbing.
 - **3.25 mm** (US 3) circular or straight needles for the main body.
- 6 buttons, 2 cm diameter.
- Tapestry needle for seaming and weaving in ends.
- Stitch markers to denote pattern repeats.

Gauge: 24 sts and 34 rows = 10 x 10 cm in stockinette stitch using 3.25 mm needles.
Always check your gauge before starting.

The cuffs, hem and bands are always knitted with ribbing (k1 p1) and needles 2.5
Work with stockinette stitch (k right side, p on wrong side) everywhere else.
The arm and body meet at a straight line.

Comment: **The materials section lists:**

Main color: approx. 780 m

Contrast color: approx. 520 m

Total yardage required: approx. 780 m

The total yardage appears inconsistent with the sum of the two color quantities (which would equal 1300 m). Please confirm the correct total yardage requirement.

Chart:

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This chart forms a continuous all-over motif.

- Repeat the chart **horizontally** across the entire width of your work
- Repeat the chart **vertically** throughout the full length of the piece.
- When you reach the end of the chart, begin again from Row 1
- The motif should flow seamlessly in both directions.
- Each square represents **1 stitch** in 1 row.

Tip:

- This motif is worked using stranded colorwork (two colors). To ensure an even fabric and avoid long floats, twist the unused white yarn behind the red yarn approximately every 2 stitches wherever the white yarn is carried behind red stitches. This gently traps the float and keeps it invisibly secured inside the fabric.
- Ensure the total stitch count of your piece is divisible by 27 (chart width) before beginning.

Comment: The pattern states that the total stitch count must be divisible by 27 (chart width).

The back piece is cast on with 112 stitches, which is not divisible by 27.

Please clarify whether the motif is intended to be centered rather than fully repeated across the width, or if the stitch count should be adjusted to match the chart repeat requirement.

How to knit

Left Front

(This is the right-hand side when looking at the garment from the front.)

Cast on 54 stitches using 2.5 mm needles.

Work 18 rows in 1x1 rib for the hem.

Change to 3.25 mm needles and begin working the chart as established.

Continue until the piece measures approximately 43 cm from the cast-on edge.

To shape the neckline, bind off 8 stitches at the neck edge.

Then decrease 1 stitch at the neck edge on every row for the next 22 rows by working 2 stitches together at the neckline side only.

Continue working the chart as established, maintaining the pattern while shaping.

Place the piece on hold and work the right front.

Right Front

(This is the left-hand side when looking at the garment from the front.)

Work as for the Left Front, reversing all neckline shaping.

Bind off and decrease at the opposite edge so that the front pieces mirror each other.

Backside

Cast on 112 stitches using 2.5 mm needles.

Work 18 rows in 1x1 rib for the hem.

Change to 3.25 mm needles and begin working the chart as established.

Continue until the piece measures approximately 48 cm from the cast-on edge.

Knit 46 stitches, bind off 16 stitches for the neckline. Work each side separately.

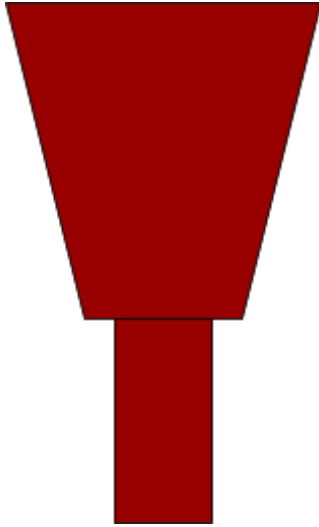
At each neck edge, decrease 3 stitches at the neck edge of the next knit row, and 2 stitch at the neck edge of the purl row. Repeat this sequence 3 times. Decrease 1 stitch in every row for 7 rows. Continue working the chart as established, maintaining the pattern while shaping.

Sew the fronts and back.

Sleeves

The illustration above shows the sleeve shaping.

Both sleeves are worked in the same way.



Cast on 43 stitches using 2.5 mm needles.

Work 44 rows in 1x1 rib for the cuff.

Change to 3.25 mm needles and continue in stockinette stitch, beginning the heart chart pattern from stitch 20 and repeat it fully.

Increase at each side as follows:

Row 2, 4, 6, 8, 10: increase 1 stitch at each side.

Row 12: increase 2 stitches at each side.

Repeat Rows 1–12 until the sleeve measures 82 rows or approximately 24cm from the cuff.

Continue working the chart as established, incorporating new stitches into the pattern.

Comment: The sleeve increase sequence is structured in a 12-row repeat, adding 14 stitches per sequence.

However, the sleeve is instructed to continue until 82 rows, which does not divide evenly into 12-row repeats.

Please clarify whether the final repeat is worked partially or if increases stop before reaching 82 rows.

Button Band and Neck Band

The button bands and neck band are worked after the back, fronts and sleeves have been sewn together.

Using 2.5 mm needles, work in 1x1 rib (knit 1, purl 1).

The finished bands measure approximately 2.5 cm in width.

Button Placement

The finished garment has 6 buttons (2 cm diameter).

Buttonholes begin 1.5 cm from both the top and bottom edges, with approximately 8 cm between each buttonhole.

Button Band (without buttonholes)

Cast on 96 stitches using 2.5 mm needles.

Work 10 rows in 1x1 rib.

Cast off loosely in pattern.

Button Band (with buttonholes)

Cast on 96 stitches using 2.5 mm needles.

Work 4 rows in 1x1 rib.

Row 5 (buttonhole row):

Work in rib to stitch 6, make a buttonhole.

Continue working buttonholes at stitches 24, 42, 60 and 78.

Work further 5 rows in rib.

Cast off loosely in pattern.

Neck Band

With 2.5 mm needles, cast on 114 stitches along the neckline. Work 2 rows in 1x1 rib.

On the next row, work 3 stitches, make 1 vertical buttonhole, then continue in rib to the end of the row.

Work further 8 rows in rib.

Cast off loosely in pattern.

Finishing

Sew on your arms and the button bands. Sew on the buttons.

Happy knitting and enjoy your cardigan!