

# OTHER LOOPS

BRAIDY\_LOOP\_SWEATER





**BRAIDY\_LOOP\_SWEATER** is designed with a saddle shoulder that extends across the entire back. The construction of the shoulder is framed by a wide rib structure and elegant twisted details that run across the back and down both sleeves.

The sweater is knitted top down in one piece and is sewing-free. Begin by casting on stitches at the centre of the back, then knit back and forth in a wide rib pattern and with cables - first over the left and then over the right shoulder. Pick up stitches along the front edges of the shoulders and the back. Then continue to knit back and forth in the wide rib pattern with cables, while simultaneously knitting increases for the sleeves and neck. Join the work in the round by casting on stitches on the front and knit the yoke in the round on circular needle. The body and sleeves are then divided and knitted separately. The cables continue down the sleeves, which are shaped with a neat decrease pattern before finished with a ribbed edge. Finally, pick up stitches along the neckline and knit the neckband in rib stitch.

### Sizes & measurements\_

1 (2) 3 (4).

Bust circumference\_100 (118) 136 (145) cm.

Length\_ 50 (52) 54 (56) cm measured from under the neckline on the back.

If you wish for a classic fit, you should aim for a size with a bust circumference of 10-20 cm larger than your real bust circumference.

If you wish for a loose fit, you should aim for a size with a bust circumference of up to 40 cm larger than your real bust circumference.

*The dark grey sweater is knitted in size 1 with a positive ease of 14 cm.*

*The light grey sweater is knitted in size 2 with a positive ease of 32 cm.*

### Materials\_

Suggestion 1\_

1 strand of No Waste Wool from Knitting for Olive 50 g / 225 m

300 (300) 350 (350) g.

*held together with*

1 strand of Soft Silk Mohair from Knitting for Olive 25 g / 225 m

150 (150) 175 (175) g.

*The light grey sweater is knitted in No waste Wool – in colour way Cream and Soft Silk Mohair in colour way Pearl grey.*

Suggestion 2\_

1 strand of No. 2 from Önlng 25 g / 120 m

275 (300) 325 (325) g.

*The dark grey sweater is knitted in No. 2 – in colour way Charcoal grey/3565.*

### Suggested needles\_

Circular needles 4 mm (40 and 80 or 100 cm).

Circular needles 3,5 mm (80 or 100 cm) e.g., Double Pointed Needles in the same size unless you use the Magic Loop technique.

Circular needles 3 mm (40 cm).

### Gauge\_

22 sts x 30 rows in stockinette stitch on needles 4 mm = 10 x 10 cm.

### Abbreviations\_

k = knit

p = purl

st(s) = stitch(es)

tog = together

tbl = through back loop

rnd = round(s)

pm = place marker

sm = slip marker from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle

**cable** = slip 4 sts from the left-hand needle onto a cable needle in front of the work, k4 from the left-hand needle, k4 from the cable needle.

### Increases\_

**MIL\_** a left leaning increase – from the front insert the left needle under the chain between the stitches and knit the chain through back loop.

**MIR\_** right leaning increase – from the back insert the left needle under the chain between the stitches and knit the chain.

**MIL-p\_** on the RS: left leaning increase purlwise – from the front insert the left needle under the chain between the stitches and purl the chain through back loop.

**MIR-p\_** on the RS: right leaning increase purlwise: from the back insert the left needle under the chain between the stitches and purl the chain.

### Decreases\_

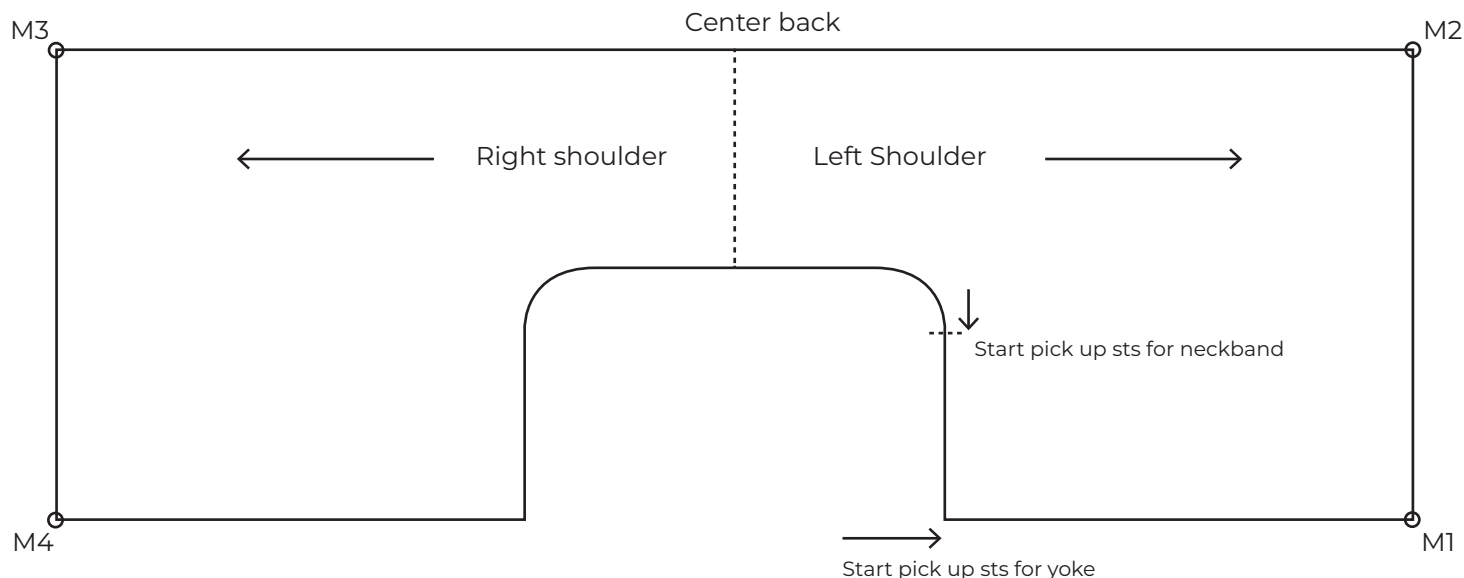
**K2tog\_** Right leaning decrease\_ Knit 2 together.

**SSK\_** Left leaning decrease – SSK improved – slip 1 st knitwise, slip 1 st purlwise, insert the left needle into both stitches from left to right and knit the stitches together through back loop.

**P2tog\_** Purl right leaning decrease\_ Purl 2 together.

**P2togtbl\_** Purl left leaning decrease\_ purl 2 together through back loop.





### Left shoulder\_

Cast on 14 (14) 14 (14) sts on circular needles 4 mm with a temporary cast on – use provisional cast on. The sts are cast on at the centre of the back.

The first row is on the RS and the ribbed pattern is formed as follows:

**Work\_** p2, k8, p2, k2

**Work\_** 3 rows as the sts show

Work the first row with cables as follows:

**Work\_** p2, **cable**, p2, k2

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show

**Work\_** p2, **cable**, p2, k2

**Work\_** 1 row as the sts show

Work increases for the neckline as follows:

**1 row\_** k1 and p1tbl in the first st, work as the st shows

**2 row\_** work as the sts show

**3 row\_** k1, **M1L**, work as the sts show

**4row\_** work as the sts show

Repeat **3 row** and **4 row** 1 (1) 1 (1) more time = 17 (17) 17 (17) sts on your needles.

Cast on 19 (19) 19 (19) new sts using backwards loop method in extension of the sts already on the needles (on the WS) = 36 (36) 36 (36) sts on your needles.

Form the ribbed pattern and work the cables as follows: (the first row is on the RS):

**Work\_** k2, \* p2, k8 \*, repeat \* to \* to 4 sts to end, p2, k2

**Work\_** 1 row as the sts show.

**Work\_** k2, p2, k8, p2, k8, p2, **cable**, p2, k2

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show.

**Work\_** k2, p2, **cable**, p2, k8, p2, **cable**, p2, k2

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show followed by the latest row with cable 2 (3) 4 (4) more times

**Work\_** 5 row as the sts show. The last row is on the WS.

You work now measures approx. 20 (23) 26,5 (26,5) cm measured from the cast on edge/centre of the back.

Break yarn and set the sts aside.

### Right shoulder\_

Slip the 14 (14) 14 (14) resting sts from the centre of the back onto circular needle 4 mm.

Add new yarn and work the first row on the RS as follows: k2, p2, k8, p2. Make sure the sts are facing correctly and that they follow the ribbed pattern from the left shoulder.

**Work\_** 5 rows as the sts show

Work the first row with cables as follows:

**Work\_** k2, p2, **cable**, p2

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show

**Work\_** k2, p2, **cable**, p2

**Work\_** 1 row as the sts show

Work increases for the neckline as follows: (first row is on the RS)

**1 row\_** work as the st shows to 1 st to end, k1tbl and k1 in the last st

**2 row\_** work as the sts show

**3 row\_** work as the sts show to 1 st to end, **M1R**, k1

**4row\_** work as the sts show

Repeat **3 row** and **4 row** 1 (1) 1 (1) more time = 17 (17) 17 (17) sts on your needles.

Work as the sts show to end and cast on 19 (19) 19 (19) new sts using backwards loop method in extension of the sts already on the needles = 36 (36) 36 (36) sts on your needles.

Form the ribbed pattern and work the cables as follows: (the first row is on the WS):

**Work\_** p2, \* k2, p8 \*, repeat \* to \* to 4 sts to end, k2, p2

**Work\_** k2, p2, **cable**, work as the sts show

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show

**Work\_** k2, p2, **cable**, p2, k8, p2, **cable**, p2, k2

**Work\_** 9 rows as the sts show followed by the latest row with cable 2 (3) 4 (4) more times

**Work\_** 5 row as the sts show. The last row is on the WS.

You work now measures approx. 20 (23) 26,5 (26,5) cm measured from the cast on edge/centre of the back.

Break yarn and set the sts aside.



### Yoke\_

Pick up sts along the front and back of the shoulders and knit across the resting shoulder sts. Simultaneously, place 4 markers. Pick up sts in the middle of the second outermost st from the edge (see photo). Pick up approx. 3 out of 4 sts in all sizes along the front of the shoulders. For the back, pick approx. 3 out of 4 m for size **1** (-) - (-) and approx. 4 out of 5 sts for size - **(2) 3 (4)**.



Add new yarn and pick up 25 (35) 45 (45) sts on the RS along the front of the left shoulder from the neck towards the shoulder (see drawing), work the resting sts from the left shoulder as follows: **k2tog**, pm (M1), work as the sts show to 2 sts to end, pm (M2), **SSK**, pick up 92 (112) 132 (132) sts along the back, work the resting sts from the right shoulder as follows: **k2tog**, pm (M3), work as the sts show to 2 sts to end, pm (M4), **SSK**, pick up 25 (35) 45 (45) sts along the front of the right shoulder. There are now 210 (250) 290 (290) sts on your needles.

The first row is worked on the WS, and the ribbed pattern is formed as follows:

**Work\_** \*p8, k2\*, repeat \*-\* to 6 sts to M4, p6, sm, work as the sts show to M3, sm, p6, \*k2, p8\* repeat \*-\* to 8 sts before M2, k2, p6, sm, work as the sts show to M1, sm, p6 \*k2, p8\* repeat \*-\* to end.

Work flat while working the ribbed pattern, cables and increases for the neckline, shoulders, and body.

Work as follows:

**1 row\_** k8, **M1L**, work as the sts show to 2 sts to M1, **M1R**, k2, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M2, **M1R**, sm, k2, **M1L**, work as the sts show to 2 sts to M3, **M1R**, k2, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M4, **M1R**, sm, k2, **M1L**, work as the sts show to 8 sts to end, **M1R**, knit to end

**2 row\_** work as the sts show

**3 row\_** repeat **1 row** while also working cables on both shoulders

**4 row\_** work as the sts show

You have now worked 20 increases = 230 (270) 310 (310) sts on your needles.

Continue working flat in the ribbed pattern and with cables, while also working increases only for the neckline and shoulders (the first row is on the RS):

**1 row\_** k8, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M1, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M2, **M1R**, sm, work as the sts show to M3, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M4, **M1R**, sm, work as the sts show to 8 sts to end, **M1R**, knit to end

**2 row\_** work as the sts show

**3 - 8 row\_** repeat **1 row** and **2 row**

**9 row\_** repeat **1 row** while also working cables on both shoulders

**10 row\_** work as the sts show

**11 row\_** repeat **1 row**

**12 row\_** work as the sts show

**13 row\_** k8, **M1L-p**, work as the sts show to M1, sm, **M1L-p**, work as the sts show to M2, **M1R-p**, sm, work as the sts show to M3, sm, **M1L-p**, work as the sts show to M4, **M1R-p**, sm, work as the sts show to 8 sts to end, **M1R-p**, knit to end

**14 row\_** work as the sts show

**15 row\_** repeat **13 row**

**16 row\_** work as the sts show

You have now worked 48 increases = 278 (318) 358 (358) sts on your needles.

Join the work by casting on sts on the front. Work in the round on circular needles.

**Work\_** as the sts show to M1, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M2, **M1R**, sm, work as the sts show to M3, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M4, **M1R**, sm, work as sts show to end, cast on 22 (22) 22 (22) sts using backwards loop method.

There are now 304 (344) 384 (384) sts on your needles. The distribution between the front and back/ shoulders is 98 (118) 138 (138) / 54 (54) 54 (54) sts.

Break yarn.

Slip sts to new BoR. Slip all sts to M2 from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle without knitting them. M2 is now your new BoR.

**Work\_** 1 rnd as the sts show. Adjust the new sts on the front so they correspond to the ribbed pattern (k8, p2)

Continue working in the round in the ribbed pattern while also working increases and cables on the shoulders.

The rnds with **regular** increases are worked as follows: Work as the sts show to M3, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M4, **M1R**, sm, work as the sts show to M1, sm, **M1L**, work as the sts show to M2, **M1R**

The rnds with **purl** increases are worked as follows: work as the sts show to M3, sm, **MIL-p**, work as the sts show to M4, **MIR-p**, sm, work as the sts show to M1, sm, **MIL-p**, work as the sts show to M2, **MIR-p**

**Work\_ regular** increases on **every other rnd** 7 (7) 7 (7) times. The cables are also worked on the shoulders on the first rnd. After that, work the cables on **every 10th rnd**.  
**Work\_ purl** increases on **every other rnd** 2 (2) 2 (2) times  
**Work\_ regular** increases on **every other rnd** 8 (8) 8 (8) times

The distribution between the front and back/shoulders is 98 (118) 138 (138) / 88 (88) 88 (88) sts.

Continue working in the round while also working increases for the shoulders and arm hole.

Work as follows:

**1 rnd\_** p1tbl and k1 in the first st, work as the sts show to 1 st to M3, k1 and p1tbl in 1 st, sm, **MIL-p**, work as the sts show to M4, **MIR-p**, sm, p1tbl and k1 in the first st, work as the sts show to 1 st to M1, k1 and p1tbl, sm, **MIL-p**, work as the sts show to M2, **MIR-p**  
**2 rnd\_** work as the sts show  
**3 rnd\_** p1 and p1tbl in the first st, work as the sts show to 1 st to M3, p1 and p1tbl in 1 st, sm, **MIL-p**, work as the sts show to M4, **MIR-p**, sm, p1 and p1tbl in the first st, work as the sts show to 1 st to M1, p1 and p1tbl in 1 st, sm, **MIL-p**, work as sts show to M2, **MIR-p**  
**4 rnd\_** work as the sts show

You have now worked 16 increases = 388 (428) 468 (468) sts on your needles. The distribution between the front and back/shoulders is 102 (122) 142 (142) / 92 (92) 92 (92) sts.

### **Body\_**

Divide the work into body and sleeves. The body and sleeves are worked individually in the round.

Work as the sts show across the back, set the right shoulder sts aside (sts between M3 and M4), cast on 8 (8) 8 (18) sts using backwards loop method in extension of the back, work as the sts show across the front, set the left shoulder sts aside (sts between M1 and M2), cast on 8 (8) 8 (18) sts using backwards loop method in extension of the front = 220 (260) 300 (320) sts on your needles.

Pm at BoR between the new sts in the left side.  
Work in the round in rib stitch until the back measures approx. 49 (51) 53 (55) cm measured from under the neckline on the back. The sts are adjusted to correspond to the ribbed pattern.

Change to needles 3,5 mm and knit a rnd followed by 3 rnds of rib stitch (k1, p1).

Work 2 rnds in double knitting as follows:

**1 rnd\_** \* k1, slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front \* repeat from \* to \* to end  
**2 rnd\_** \* slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in back, p1 \*, repeat from \* to \* to end

Bind off using tubular bind off.

### **Neckband\_**

The neckband is worked in the round on needles 3 mm (40 cm)

Pick up 132 (132) 142 (142) sts along the neckline. Pick up all sts across the shoulders and the front. On the back pick up approx. 3 out of 4 sts for size **1 (2)** - (-) and all sts for size - (-) **3 (4)**

Begin picking up the sts on the left side between the increases for the neck and left shoulder. Pm (BoR).

**Work\_ purl** 1 rnd

**Work\_ knit** 1 rnd

**Work\_ rib** stitch (k1, p1) until the neckband measures 5 cm.

Fold the neckband down and knit to the cast on edge. Please take care not to twist the ribbing and to knit the neckband loosely to the cast on edge to ensure that the neckline isn't too tight.

Work as follows:

\* Pick up 1 st from the cast on edge with the left-hand needle and knit it tog with the first st on the needle. K1, and lift the second st on the right-hand needle over the knitted st \*  
Repeat from \* to \* to end.



### **Sleeves\_**

Place the resting shoulder sts back onto needles 4mm (40 cm). Pick up 8 (8) 8 (18) sts from the cast on sts in the arm hole = 100 (100) 100 (110) sts on your needles.

Pm to indicate BoR at the centre of the new sts.



Work the sleeve in the round in the ribbed pattern while also working decreases on the inner side of the sleeves. Continue working the cables on **every 10th rnd** throughout the sleeve, starting from the last cable on the shoulder.

Rnds with **regular** decreases are worked as follows:  
**k2tog**, work as the sts show to 2 sts to m, **SSK**

Rnds with **purl**-decreases are worked as follows: **p2tog**, work as the sts show to 2 sts to m, **p2togtbl**

Sizes: **1 (2) 3 (-)**

**Work\_ regular** decreases on **every 8th rnd** 3 (3) 3 (-) times

**Work\_ purl** decreases on **every 8th rnd** 2 (2) 2 (-) times

You have now worked 10 decreases = 90 (90) 90 (-) sts on your needles.

Size: - (-) - **(4)**

**Work\_ regular** decreases on **every 4th rnd** - (-) - (8) times

**Work\_ purl** decreases on **every 4th rnd** - (-) - (2) times

You have now worked 20 decreases = - (-) - (90) sts on your needles.

#### **All sizes\_**

Continue working the sleeve until it measures approx. 20 (18) 16 (16) cm measured on the inner side of the sleeve.  
*The sleeve is still missing approx. 21 cm in length. Try on the sweater to adjust according to desired length.*

Work decreases along the cables on the outer side of the sleeve.

Place 2 m, 1 on each side of the cable including 2 p-sts on each side, so there are 32 sts between the markers.  
*Note the row of the cable pattern you're at. The following decrease sequence must start at the same row on the other sleeve.*

Rnds with **regular** decreases are worked as follows: work as the sts show to 2 sts to m, **SSK**, sm, work as the sts show, sm, **k2tog**, work as the sts show to BoR.

Rnds with **purl** decreases are worked as follows: work as the sts show to 2 st to m, **p2togtbl**, sm, work as the sts show to m, sm, **p2tog**, work as the sts show to BoR.

**Work\_** decreases on **every 4th rnd**, first 7 (7) 7 (7) **regular** decreases, then 2 (2) 2 (2) **purl** decreases, and finally 1 (1) 1 (1) **regular** decrease.

You have now worked 20 decreases = 70 (70) 70 (70) sts on your needles.

Remove the 2 markers for the decrease.

**Work\_** as the sts show until you've worked between 4 and 8 rows after the last cable.

Change to needles 3,5 mm and knit 1 rnd followed by rib stitch (k1, p1) until the ribbing measures 6 cm.

Work 2 rnds in double knitting as follows:

**1 rnd\_** \* k1, slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front \* repeat from \* to \* to end

**2 rnd\_** \* slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in back, p1 \*, repeat from \* to \* to end

Bind off using tubular bind off.



#### **Finish\_**

Weave in all ends.

Wash and block your sweater.

Happy loops.

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