

THE TRULY TERRIBLY HORRIBLE SWEATER... THAT GRANDMA KNIT

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Cameron *really* didn't like the sweater his grandma knit for his birthday, but soon he realizes that his grandma's gift was actually pretty special. If you were to knit a sweater for a special someone, what colors would you use? Grab a set of markers or crayons and see how your sweater would turn out. Just remember, the best gifts are made with love.



NOW YOU CAN KNIT YOUR OWN SWEATER FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE.

Just follow the directions below. After all, the best gifts are made with love.

Materials:

- 1 skein each of 6 colors or a variety of leftover worsted-weight yarns
- 24" circular ndl & dpn size 6 or size that gives you your gauge
- markers, tapestry needles, scrap yarn
- Sizes: 6 yrs (8 yrs, 10 yrs), 28" (29½", 31")
- Gauge: 19 sts/4 inches in stockinette stitch
- Colors we used: #1 green, #2 red, #3 turquoise, #4 orange, #5 yellow, #6 navy

Directions:

W/ circular ndl and color #1 co 118 (130, 134) sts and work K2,P2 rib for 2½ inches. Begin color pattern and inc 12 sts for all sizes evenly spaced across in first row. Work even in color pattern for 10½ (12, 13) inches.

Divide for armholes: w/ RS facing, work 32 (35, 36) sts in color pattern. Continue on these sts for 4 (4, 5) inches from armhole division.

Begin neck shaping: w/ RS facing, BO 7 (8, 10) sts, work in pattern to end.

Next row (WS): work even in pattern.

Next row (RS): BO 2, work even in pattern to end.

Next row (WS): work even in pattern.

Next row (RS): BO 1st, work even in pattern to end

Repeat the last 2 rows 4 (5, 7) more times.

Then work even in stripe pattern rows 111–122 till armhole measures 6 (6½, 7) inches or desired length to shoulder. Place sts on scrap yarn.

Back: work even in color pattern on center back 66 (72, 74) sts till back measures same as right front. Place sts on scrap yarn.

Left front: on remaining 32 (35, 36) sts work even in color pattern till front measures 4 (4, 5) inches. Repeat neck shaping but BO on WS rows, reversing shaping. Then work even till front is same length as right front and back.

Abbreviations:

K – knit

P – purl

co – cast on

inc – increase

sts – stitches

RS – right side

rnds – rounds

WS – wrong side

BO – bind off

pu&k – pick up & knit

ndl – needle

dpn – double point

needles

K2tog – knit 2 together

SSK – slip, slip, knit

pm – place marker

Seam shoulders: place corresponding left back shoulder sts onto dpn and graft left front sts using same yarn color sts are. Place right front and back shoulder sts onto dpns and graft them. Leave back center neck sts on scrap yarn.

Sleeves: w/ dpns and color #2 pu&k 58 (62, 66) sts around armhole, pm. Work in color pattern substituting color 1 for color 2 in Rows 11–26, color 4 for color 3 in Rows 37–56, and color 2 for 1 more repeat of double moss st rows.

Work even in pattern for 3". Then begin sleeve shaping. Next rnd: K1, K2tog, work to last 3 sts SSK, K1.

Work 4 rounds even.

Repeat these 5 rounds 6 (7, 8) times.

Then work even till sleeve measures 9 (10, 12) inches or 2" less than total desired length.

If you need to add more length, you can include a section of double moss st as for Rows 11–26 in color pattern or garter stripes to desired length to cuff.

Work sleeve cuff in color #1 w/ K2, P2 rib

(decreasing any sts you may need to attain a st count divisible by 4) for 2".

BO.



Directions (continued):

Button band (right side for boys, left side for girls) w/ 24" circ ntl and color #1 pu&k 2 sts for every 2 rows along front. Work K2,P2 rib for 1¼". BO.

Buttonhole band: work as above but place buttonhole every 2" on center row of band.

Collar: w/ color #1 pu&k 2 sts for every 3 rows along right front neck. Place back neck sts onto other end of circ ntl and K across them. Pu&k same # of sts you picked up along right front along left front. Knit 6 rows. BO.

Weave in ends. Sew on buttons.

Color Pattern

1-green, 2-red, 3-turquoise, 4-orange, 5-yellow, 6-navy

Rows 1 & 2: w/ color 2 K

Rows 3 & 4: w/ color 3 K

Rows 5 & 6: w/ color 5 K

Rows 7 & 8: w/ color 6 K

Row 9 & 10: w/ color 4 K

Row 11: w/ 2 K (rows 11–26 are worked w/ color 2 in double moss st)

Row 12: K2, P2 across

Row 13: work sts as they appear

Row 14: P2, K2 across

Row 15: work sts as they appear

Rows 16–23: rep rows 12–15 2X

Rows 24 & 25: rep rows 12 & 13

Row 26: w/ 2 P

Rows 27 & 28: w/ 4 K

Rows 29 & 30: w/ 3 K

Rows 31 & 32: w/ 5 K

Rows 33 & 34: w/ 6 K

Rows 35 & 36: w/ 1 K

Row 37: w/ 3 K (Rows 37–56 are worked w/ color 3 in seed stitch)

Row 38: w/ 3 K1, P1 across

Rows 39–56: w/ 3 K the P's & P the K's

Row 57 & 58: w/ 1 K

Rows 59 & 60: w/ 2 K

Rows 61 & 62: w/ 5 K

Rows 63 & 64: w/ 6 K

Rows 65 & 66: w/ 3 K

Row 67: w/ 5 K, this begins the simple seed st section.

Rows 67–98 will be worked w/ color 5.

Row 68: P

Row 69: K2 * P1, K3 rep from * across

Row 70: P

Row 71: K

Row 72: P

Row 73: K4 * P1, K3 rep from * across

Row 74: P

Repeat Rows 67–74 1X more

Row 83: K

Row 84: P

Rows 85 & 86: w/ 3 K

Rows 87 & 88: w/ 4 K

Rows 89 & 90: w/ 6 K

Rows 91 & 92: w/ 2 K

Rows 93 & 94: w/ 1 K

Rows 95–110: Repeat rows 85–94 till sweater measures desired length to shoulder.

Rows 111 & 112: w/ 1 K

Rows 113 & 114: w/ 2 K

Rows 115 & 116: w/ 5 K

Rows 117 & 118: w/ 3 K

Rows 119 & 120: w/ 6 K

Rows 121 & 122: w/ 4 K

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