

Rauma sweater

Lace sweater pattern

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### Gauge:

18 stitches and 23 rows = 10cm

#### Yarn:

Myrskyluodon Villa unspun yarn, 100% Åland sheep wool (tex 285x2), or similar. Base color 400 (500) 600 (700)g, colorwork color 100g. The largest size requires 200g of the colorwork color. You can calculate the length of the yarn per unit of weight by using the tex unit. 1 tex = 1 g/1,000m. This means that since the Myrskyluodon Villa yarn has a tex of 285x2, 1,000 meters of the yarn weighs 570g, and 100g of the yarn is 175 meters in length.

### Knitting needles:

4mm circular needles, long (80cm) and short (40cm), and a set of double-pointed needles for the cuffs.

You can also use a different yarn. Make sure you choose your yarn and needles based on your knitting style to get the recommended gauge. Always start by knitting a swatch and checking the gauge. You can knit the ribbing of the hem, the cuffs, and the neckline with slightly smaller needles for a firmer result.

### Sizes:

Approximate sizes are in the order S (M) L (XL).

The given sizes are the sizes of the finished sweater. Consider whether you would like a snug or looser fit before you choose a size. Personal body shape may also affect the size. Because knitting is stretchy, the ease of the sweater is usually the same as the bust circumference, or BC+0cm. If you would like a snugger fit, use negative ease of BC -4cm, for example, and if you would like a looser fit, use positive ease of BC +4cm.

Bust circumference of the sweater: approx. 81 (98) 115 (133)cm Length of the sweater: approx. 61 (68) 75 (81)cm, where the height of the colorwork yoke, including the neckline ribbing, is approx. 24–25cm in all sizes. Sleeve length to underarm: approx. 45 (47) 49 (51)cm

#### Instructions:

The body is knitted from the hem up to the underarm in the round, and the sleeves are knitted in the round from the sleeve cuffs to the underarm. The stitches are then placed onto the same circular needles, and the colorwork yoke is knitted according to the chart. Finally, the neckline is finished.

## Body:

Cast on 146 (176) 208 (240) stitches in the base color. Knit 1, purl 1 for the ribbing for 12 rounds, or your desired length. Continue to knit for 36 (40) 44 (48)cm or until the length fits your body. Bind off the final 4 (6) 7 (10) stitches of the round and the first 4 (6) 7 (10) stitches of the next round for the underarm. Put aside the sweater while you knit the sleeves.

### Sleeves:

Cast on 38 (42) 46 (50) stitches and knit 1, purl 1 for the ribbing for 12 rounds, or your desired length. The round begins under the sleeve. Continue to knit and add 1+1 stiches at the beginning of each round, adding one stitch on both sides of the middle stitch. Add the first increase right after the ribbing, and continue to increase 9 (11) 12 (17) times after every 3.5 (4) 3.5 (2.5)cm. You now have 56 (64) 70 (84) stitches. Knit until the sleeve is 45 (47) 49 (51)cm in length, or your desired length. Bind off the first 4 (6) 7 (10) stitches of the round and the final 4 (6) 7 (10) stitches for the underarm. Make the second sleeve in the same way.

Transfer the 48 (52) 56 (64) stitches of the sleeve into the opening you created by binding off stitches onto the circular needles and knit 65 (76) 90 (100) stitches across the front of the sweater to the other side, where you then bind off 8 (12) 14 (20) stitches for the other underarm. Transfer the stitches of the other sleeve to the opening. Knit the remaining 65 (76) 90 (100) stitches of the body piece, and then place a marker to mark the new beginning of the round.

### Yoke:

You now have 226 (256) 292 (328) stitches in total on your needles. Knit 2 (7) 15 (19) more rounds in the base color, approx. 1 (3) 6.5 (8.5)cm. On the last round, match the number of stitches the colorwork requires by decreasing 2 (0) 4 (8) stitches at regular intervals.

Chart A is 32 stitches and repeats 7 (8) 9 (10) times. Notice that during the odd repetitions, the middle of the colorwork sits in different places at the front and the back. Start knitting the colorwork from the beginning of the round and at the place indicated on the chart for each size. Make sure that the colorwork sits nicely in the first round. Decrease the number of stitches according to the chart.

Knit chart B. After the colorwork, 84 (96) 108 (120) stitches will remain.

### Neckline:

Try on the sweater. If you want a smaller neckline, you can further decrease the number of stitches. Knit one round in the base color and decrease 8 (10) 14 (18) stitches at regular intervals during the round. You now have 76 (86) 94 (102) stitches remaining. Finish off the neckline with knit 1 purl 1 ribbing for 10 rounds, or however you want.

## Finishing:

Sew the seams at the underarms and weave in the ends of the yarn. Wet block the sweater and pin it to its measurements. Leave it to dry on a flat surface.

The Rauma sweater is the city's gift to the locals for Christmas 2021. The pattern was designed and completed by lace artist Tarmo Thorström and Katrina Salo. The pattern was inspired by the Uus kultseppä and Mandeljepyri laces.



