

Leaf Sweater

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This sweater uses a leaf and bobble flower motif from Vogue's Stitchionary worked over the middle 23 stitches. The other stitches are worked in a diagonal rib that adds a little interest. The cotton yarn as well as the long turtleneck and legs have a lot of structure that makes for a very durable sweater. This might be a little harder of a pattern, but still doable for the beginner and fun for the seasoned knitter...



Materials:

Yarn: 2 skeins of GGH "Tara" in Green (makes smaller sweater for 7 lb dog) *or* 4 skeins of Rowan "Bamboo Tape" in Orchid (double stranded makes larger sweater for 11 lb dog)

Needles: U.S. 7 12" circular needles or method of circular knitting of your choice and set of four U.S. 6 dpns

Notions: Darning needle, 3 needle markers

Gauge: 8 sts & 14 rows = 2 in sq.

Pattern Notes:

SSK: slip 2 stitches knitwise and then knit them.

MB: (make bobble) K into front, back, front, back, and front of st, turn; p2tog, p1, p2tog.

M1: (make 1) Insert the right needle into the stitch below (the stitch completed 2 rounds ago)

the next stitch. Place stitch on left needle and knit it. You have increased 1 stitch invisibly.

For help - Google *invisible increase knitting* for a tutorial.

M1P: (make 1 purlwise) Pick up the yarn between the stitches as for an M1, purl into the front of the stitch.

PM: Place marker

YO: Yarn over

With U.S. 7 12" circular needles cast on 32 stitches.

Turtleneck:

Place marker and begin knitting in the round in K2, P2 ribbing for 4”.

Knit 1 round increasing 1 stitch in the middle of round (33 stitches)

Body of Sweater:

Round 1: K2, p2, k1, place marker (pm), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (pm), k2, p2, k1

Round 2: K1, M1, p2, k2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 3: K2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k1

Round 4: K1, M1, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), p2, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 5: K2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 6: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2 (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, M1P, k1

Round 7: k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2

Round 8: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2, k1 (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 9: k2, p2, k2, p2, k1(marker is here) k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 10: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2, k2(marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 11: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 12: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 13: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 14: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, M1P, k1

Round 15: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk, (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 16: k1, M1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, p1, M1P, k1



Making Leg Holes: (you should now have 49 stitches)

Round 1: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1 (marker is here), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 2: k1, p2, k1, cast off next 6 stitches (in pattern), k2 (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k2, p1, cast off next stitches (in pattern), k1, p2

You will be working both sections simultaneously with the main ball of yarn and a long tail for the middle section. The middle section will be worked in seed stitch (K1/P1 across on the right side and the opposite on the wrong side) and the main section will continue to be knit in the pattern as established.

Round 3: Starting with seed stitch - P1, k1, p1, k1 (you are now at the leg hole. Break yarn leaving a 2 foot tail and reattach ball to the next stitch after the leg opening.) With reattached yarn k2, p1, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p2, k1 (you are now at leg opening). Turn work.

Row 4: P1, k2, (marker is here), p8, k7, p8, (marker is here), k1, p2, with 2 foot tail start knitting the middle section continuing in seed stitch until the leg opening. Turn.

Row 5: Still working on short section, continue in seed stitch until leg opening. Starting on main section: k1, p2, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), k1, p2. Turn work.

Row 6: k2, p1 (marker is here), p8, k7, p8, (marker is here), k2, p1. Moving on to smaller section: Continue in seed stitch on 8 stitches. Turn work

Round 7: Continue in seed stitch on 8 stitches. Working on main section: P2, k1, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k2, p1, (you are at the leg opening. We are going to rejoin in the round now. So using your preferred method, cast on 6 stitches over leg opening). Continue in seed stitch across middle 8 stitches. Cast on 6 stitches over leg opening. P2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 8: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 9: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 10: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 11: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 12: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 13: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2



Round 14: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 15: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 16: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 17: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 18: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 19: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 20: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 21: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 22: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 23: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 24: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 25: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 26: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 27: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 28: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 29: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 30: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 31: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Round 32: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k3, k2tog, k3, yo, p7, yo, k3, ssk, k3, (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1



Round 33: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 34: p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1, (marker is here), k2, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, p3, MB, p3, k1, yo, k3, ssk, k2, (marker is here) p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2

Round 35: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 36: p1, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, (marker is here), k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k2, p2, MB, p1, MB, p2, k2, yo, k3, ssk, k1, (marker is here), p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p1

Round 37: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2ijuu

Round 38: k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1, (marker is here), k2tog, k3, yo, k3, p3, MB, p3, k3, yo, k3, ssk (marker is here), k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2

Round 39: k1, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, (marker is here), k8, p7, k8 (marker is here), k2, p2, k2, p2, k2, p2, k1

Making the Ribbing:

You will work approx. 8 rounds in 1x1 ribbing or until ribbing is desired length (Note: You will have to purl the last 2 stitches at the end of the first round together to make an even number).

Finishing:

Cast off loosely in pattern and weave in ends.

Legs:

Pick up 28 sts around leg opening with U.S. 6 dpns. Work in 1x1 ribbing for desired length (approx. 4 inches). Cast off in pattern loosely. Repeat for other leg opening. Weave in ends.

You're Finished!!!

