

ICELANDIC ZIP CARDIGAN

SIZES	34	(36)	38	(40)	42
Chest	84	(89)	94	(98)	103 cm
Length to underarm:	30	(31)	33	(35)	36 cm
Sleeve length to underarm:	45	(47)	49	(51)	53 cm

MATERIALS

Álafoss Lopi - 100 g balls

Black cardigan

A **0005** black heather

B **0085** oatmeal heather

C **0051** white

Ecru cardigan

9972 ecru heather

0052 black sheep heather

0053 acorn heather

5 (5) 6 (6) 6

1 (1) 1 (1) 1

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6 mm (US 10) circular needles, 40 and 80 cm long

4½ mm (US 7) 40 cm long

6 mm double pointed needles

Zip (open ended) 50-55 cm, measure when cardigan is finished

TENSION

13 sts and 18 rows = 10 x 10 cm measured over stocking stitch using 6 mm needles.

Check your tension and adjust needle size if necessary.

NOTE

Body and sleeves are worked in the round from lower edge to underarms. Body and sleeves are then joined and yoke is worked in the round over entire cardigan. Pattern and dec are worked from chart. Round begins and ends with a P st at front of body. The front opening is cut open.

BODY

Cast on 109 (115) 121 (127) 133 sts with A using 6 mm circular needle. Work 4 rows moss stitch (first row: *K1, P1*, K1 next row: *P1, K1, P1*). Cast on 2 sts (purl stitches that count as first and last st of rnd), and join in a circle => 111 (117) 123 (129) 135 sts. Work in St st (P first and last st of rnd) until body measures 30 (31) 33 (35) 36 cm from cast on. Set aside and work sleeves. Do not break yarn.

SLEEVES

Cast on 28 (28) 28 (30) 30 sts with A using 6 mm double pointed needles. Join in a circle and work 4 rnds moss stitch as follows: *Rnd 1 and 3*: *K1, P1*. *Rnd 2 and 4*: *P1, K1*. Cont in St st and at the same time inc 1 st after first st and 1 st before last st in rnd in every 12th (12th) 11th (11th) 11th rnd, 6 (6) 7 (7) 7 times => 40 (40) 42 (44) 44 sts. Cont without further shaping until sleeve measures 45 (47) 49 (50) 51 cm from cast on. Slip 8 (8) 9 (10) 10 sts under arm to stitch holder => 32 (32) 33 (34) 34 sts. Work second sleeve.

YOKE

Join body and sleeves as follows: Using 6 mm circular needle and A, purl 1 st, K 23 (24) 25 (26) 28 sts across right front, slip next 8 (8) 9 (10) 10 sts of body to st holder. Knit across first sleeve 32 (32) 33 (34) 34 sts. Knit across back 47 (51) 53 (55) 57 sts, slip next 8 (8) 9 (10) 10 sts of body to st holder. Knit across second sleeve 32 (32) 33 (34) 34 sts. Knit across left front 23 (24) 25 (26) 28 sts, purl last st => 159 165 (171) 177 (183) sts. Work in St st pattern from **Chart** and dec as shown. Change to shorter circular needle when rnds gets tighter. When pattern is complete there are => 55 (57) 59 (61) 63 sts.

NECKBAND

Knit 1 rnd with A and dec evenly spaced on rnd 4 (4) 6 (6) 8 sts => 51 (53) 53 (55) 55 sts, (do not dec 4 centre sts). Change to 4½ mm needle and cast off first P st of rnd, Work *K1, P1* rib, cast of last P st. Work 7 cm rib back and forth. Cast off loosely.

FINISHING

Graft underarm sts together. Weave in any loose ends.

Sew by machine with straight, small stitches, twice into each chain of P sts up body front.

Rinse carefully by hand in lukewarm water and lay flat to dry.

Cut between sewn rows front opening. Sew by hand zipper under front edge twice with thread in matching colour. First from RS where edge is folded, then slip stitch edge of zipper from WS. Fold neckband in half to inside and slip stitch in place, hiding the fabric end of zipper.

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Chart

