



The Oslo

The Oslo is a seamless, bottom-up sweater that's knitted in the round. It's all done in garter stitch and can be made with one circular needle. The body is worked first and then the two sleeves which are joined together for the yoke.

The coloured pattern uses slipped stitches so that only one colour is being used at a time. The Oslo will keep any baby snugly warm whatever the weather.

Materials

- 5mm / US8 circular needle (plus DPNS of the same size if not using magic loop) or size needed to get gauge
- 2 x 50g balls (150m / 164yds) for main colour, 2 x 50g balls (140m / 153yds) for contrasting colour in Aran / 10 ply weight (eg DROPS ♥ You #4 as used here)
- holders
- 3 buttons
- embroidery needle

Gauge

17 x 32 garter stitch

19 x 40 slip stitch pattern

Abbreviations

- MC main colour (in this case white)
 CC contrasting colour (in this case green)
 st stitch
 k knit
 p purl
 sl slip
 m1 make 1 (insert the left needle from back to front into the horizontal strand between the last stitch worked and the next stitch on the left needle. Purl this strand through the front of the loop.)
 k2tog knit two stitches together
 DPNS double pointed needles
 RS/WS right side/wrong side
 M marker
 PM place marker
 SM slip marker

The slip stitch pattern

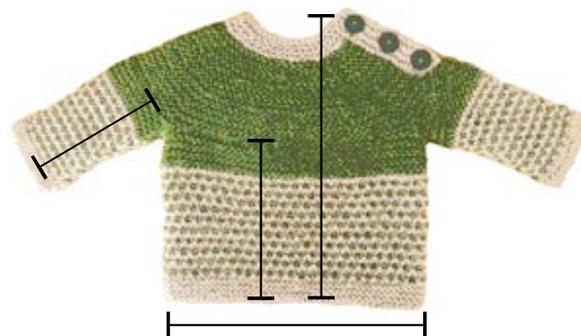
Note: *always* slip purl-wise with yarn at the back (which means in rounds 2 and 6 where the yarn is forward for purling you need to take the yarn over to the back, slip the stitch purl-wise and then bring it forward for the purl stitch). The pattern has 8 rounds as follows:

- Round 1 (CC) (knit) *sl1, k1, repeat from *
 Round 2 (CC) (purl) *sl1, p1, repeat from *
 Round 3 (MC) knit
 Round 4 (MC) purl
 Round 5 (CC) (knit) *k1, sl1, repeat from *
 Round 6 (CC) (purl) *p1, sl1, repeat from *
 Round 7 (MC) knit
 Round 8 (MC) purl



Measurements

This is one size for a baby about 3 months old. However, babies come in different shapes and sizes. Add more rows if you want a longer body or sleeves, or use a larger needle for an overall bigger size.



- sleeve length: 14cm / 5.5in
 body length: 16cm / 6in
 total length: 27cm / 10.5in
 width: 25cm / 10in

Body

With 5mm circular needle cast on 90 st in MC and join in the round. PM if you need to. Knit 7 rounds garter stitch (ie one round knit, one round purl, SM at the start of each round).

Round 8: *p9, m1, repeat from * 10 times. You have 100 stitches (10 increased).

Start slip stitch pattern with CC and continue until body measures approx 12.5cm finishing with two rounds of MC.

Working only in CC work 10 rounds as follows.

Round 1: *k8, k2tog, repeat from * 10 times. You have 90 stitches (10 decreased).

Rounds 2 - 9: continue in garter stitch, ending with a knit round. (You can increase the body length here if need be.)

Round 10: p20, cast off 4 st, p40, cast off 4 st, purl to end: 82 stitches. Leave on a holder.

Sleeves

With 5mm circular needle (if using magic loop) or DPNS cast on 32st in MC and join in the round. PM if you need to. Knit 6 rounds garter stitch (ie one round knit, one round purl, SM at the start of each round).

Start slip stitch pattern with CC and work 42 rows of the pattern, ending on a round 2, approx 12cm.

Working only in CC work 8 rounds in garter stitch. (You can increase the sleeve length here if need be.)

Round 9: k30, cast off 2.

Round 10: cast off 2, purl to end. 28 stitches. Total length approx 14cm. Leave on a holder and repeat for the second sleeve.

Yoke

Note: the first few rounds are the trickiest. Move the cord of the circular needle around so that the sleeve stitches are not over stretched. Don't worry about the holes appearing under the arms, they will be sewn up.

Place the 82 body stitches back on 5mm circular needle, now you'll add the sleeves as follows:

PM, k20 st from the body (half of the back), k28 st from one sleeve from its holder, k40 st from the body (the front), k28 st from second sleeve from its holder and finally knit the rest of the stitches (second half of the back) to the marker. 138 stitches. SM, purl one round.

The following 24 rounds / rows include decreasing rounds and the side opening for the buttonhole band. Continue working in CC and garter stitch (ie one round knit, one round purl). Always SM at the start of each round.

Round 1: *k6, k2tog repeat from * 16 times, k10. 122 stitches.

Round 7: *k2tog, k5 repeat from * 17 times, k3. 105 stitches.

Shoulder opening: break yarn and remove marker. Slip purl-wise the next 30 stitches. Turn, rejoin yarn. The rounds are now called rows.

Row 8: (WS facing) This is now the start of all the rows, no more rounds, continue in garter stitch which means there are now only knit rows, no purl rows. Turn after every row.

Row 12: *k5, k2tog repeat from * 15 times. 90 stitches.

Row 18: *k2tog, k3, repeat from * 18 times. 72 stitches.

Row 24: k6, *k2tog, k2 repeat from * 15 times, K 6. 57 stitches.

Neck

Row 1: (RS facing) change to MC and knit next 2 rows.

Row 3: *k2, k2tog repeat from * 6 times only. **K1, K2 tog repeat from ** 11 times. 40 stitches.

Row 8: cast off loosely, purl-wise.

Buttonhole band

With 5mm needle and RS facing, start at the bottom of the side opening and pick up 20 st with MC. Turn and knit 3 rows.

Make buttonholes: (this is a suggestion for 3 holes) k3, yo, k2tog, k5, yo, k2tog, k5, yo, k2tog, k1.

Knit 2 more rows and then cast off loosely, purl-wise.

Finishing

Sew bottom flap of buttonhole band down and sew on three buttons. Sew up under arms and loose ends.