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Coloring Book Raglan

*Top down raglan with
shape and stripe options*

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DESCRIPTION

The Coloring Book Raglan was inspired by a relaxed sweatshirt fit from my youth. This updated and elevated classic knit is a versatile worsted-weight raglan that comes with long fitted sleeves, $\frac{3}{4}$ wide sleeves, cute preppy edge stripes, body and sleeve stripes, and two body lengths. Along with the possibility of just knitting the pattern plain, there are at least 14 possible permutations in the pattern itself... and more if you're willing to make some mods. All versions have an underarm ribbing detail.

PATTERN SPECS

SIZES

Sizes 1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9) with finished circumferences of body 35 (39, 43, 47, 51) (55, 59, 63, 67)" / 87.5 (97.5, 107.5, 117.5, 127.5) (137.5, 147.5, 157.5, 167.5) cm

Samples shown in size 2 knit to fit 34" bust with +5" ease. Suggested ease is +5-10" / 12.5-25 cm. If the upper bust measurement is more than 3" / 7½ cm smaller than the full bust, suggest sizing down one size.

NEEDLES

NEEDLE A (MAIN FABRIC)

US8, or size to obtain gauge, in the following lengths: 16" / 40 cm, 32" / 80 cm, and preferred method for working small circumferences in the round (such as DPN's or small circular needles).

Optional: use only 32" / 80 cm and magic loop anywhere the work is too small.

NEEDLE B (RIBBING)

US7, or a size smaller than Needle A, in the following lengths: 16" / 40 cm, 32" / 80 cm, and preferred method for working small circumferences in the round (such as DPN's or small circular needles).

Optional: use only 32" / 80 cm and magic loop anywhere the work is too small.

YARN

Worsted weight yarn in the following amounts:

VIEW A

MC: 825 (920, 1017, 1124, 1229) (1341, 1458, 1600, 1736) yards / 754 (841, 930, 1028, 1124) (1226, 1333, 1463, 1587) meters

CC1 & CC2: 26 (29, 32, 36, 39) (43, 47, 51, 55) yards / 24 (27, 29, 33, 36) (39, 43, 47, 50) meters
of each

Sample shown in Sandnes Garn Alpaka Ull (65% alpaca, 35% wool) 109 yards / 100 meters per 50g ball, in MC: Dark Green 8063, CC1: White 1002, and CC2: Yellow 2335.

VIEW B

MC: 532 (608, 694, 773, 860) (950, 1041, 1152, 1262) yards / 486 (556, 635, 707, 786) (869, 952, 1053, 1154) meters

CC: 186 (213, 243, 271, 300) (333, 364, 403, 441) yards / 170 (195, 222, 248, 274) (304, 333, 368, 403) meters

Sample shown in Coast to Coast Yarn Co Natural Worsted (100% Non-Superwash Merino, 218 yards / 200 meters per 100g skein, 4ply) in MC: "Button", CC: "Velvet Foot"

GAUGE

18½ stitches and 24 rounds for 4x4" / 10x10 cm in St st knit in the round, blocked, using Needle A

NOTES

- For long sleeves, print all pages except page 11. For cropped wide sleeves, print all pages except pages 9-10.
- Two color and sleeve views are given in this pattern. View A is worked with thin stripes at the edge of each ribbing section, full length body, and full length, tapered sleeves. View B is worked with stripes in the body and sleeves, which are both cropped, and without sleeve shaping.
- Try playing with the thickness of stripe (numbers of rounds knit) or large swaths of color blocking instead. Additional ways to modify the pattern might be to knit a full length sweater with shorter sleeves, or knit the wide sleeves to full length instead of $\frac{3}{4}$ length. Play with any combination to create your perfect sweater. Coloring book pages are given in a separate PDF file with purchase to assist in choosing combinations.
- The yardages given are for the two views listed only, so adjust depending on mods desired.
- The raglan increases are worked on both the right and the wrong side at the same time as short row shaping. The abbreviation list includes how to M1R and M1L on both the right and wrong sides.

TIPS & TRICKS

- For jogless stripes, change colors by knitting the first round as you would using the new color. On the second round, slip the first stitch of the new color that you just worked, then work the rest of the round as normal.
- When knitting stripes, consider twisting the two yarns around each other on the back of every BOR to loosely carry the color not currently being used up the wrong side of work.
- When working the side ribbing detail in the body, knit every purl stitch in the first round of the color change, and working all knits & ktbl's as previously established. On subsequent rounds, work as established (with purls now being purls again). This helps create a smoother transition between colors during rib. This

is not recommended for the hem ribs as the stripes are worked for such a small number of rounds that this would really disrupt the gauge there. A video tutorial is available by Edible Thoughts Makes: [Color Changes + Ribbing with Self-Striping Yarn | Edible Thoughts Makes](#)

- When swatching, let the swatch soak for a few hour at least to test color-fastness. When blocking the finished object, soak with a color catcher if your swatch colors bled.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

GERMAN SHORT ROWS

Sl-GSR (slip for German short row): Sl1 pwise wyif, pull yarn up and over needle to back, drawing the two "legs" of the slipped st up. This creates a double stitch (DS).

When encountering DS later, knit or purl the DS through both legs (knitting if the pattern requires a knit, and purling if the pattern requires a purl) to resolve it.

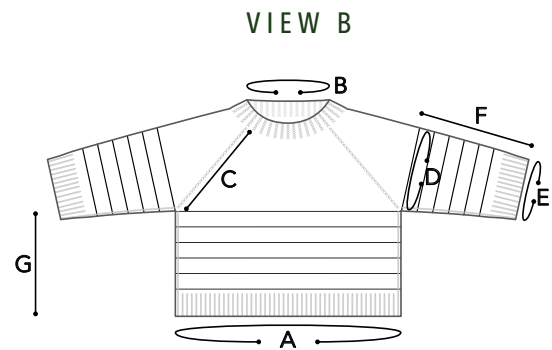
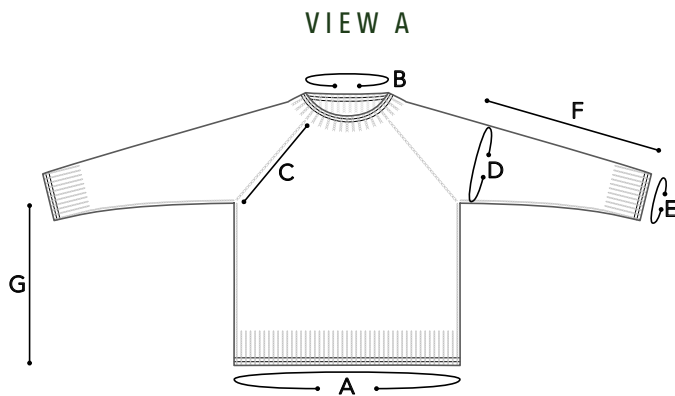
[Video tutorial by Very Pink Knits](#)

INCREASE EVENLY

<https://www.knitgrammer.com/blog/increase-evenly-calculator/>

Calculator by Knit Grammer

SCHEMATICS



All measurements rounded to the closest $\frac{1}{4}$ inch or $\frac{1}{2}$ cm.

BOTH VIEWS

A: Chest circumference: 35 (39, 43, 47, 51) (55, 59, 63, 67)" / 87.5 (97.5, 107.5, 117.5, 127.5) (137.5, 147.5, 157.5, 167.5) cm

B: Neck Circumference: $19\frac{1}{2}$ ($20\frac{3}{4}$, $21\frac{1}{2}$, 23, $23\frac{3}{4}$) ($24\frac{3}{4}$, 26, $26\frac{3}{4}$, $27\frac{3}{4}$)" / 49 ($52\frac{1}{2}$, 54, $57\frac{1}{2}$, $59\frac{1}{2}$) (62, 65, 67, $69\frac{1}{2}$) cm

C: Yoke Depth: 8 ($8\frac{1}{2}$, $9\frac{1}{4}$, $9\frac{3}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{4}$) ($10\frac{3}{4}$, $11\frac{1}{4}$, $11\frac{3}{4}$, $12\frac{1}{4}$)" / 20 ($21\frac{1}{2}$, 23, $24\frac{1}{2}$, $25\frac{1}{2}$) (27, 28, $29\frac{1}{2}$, $30\frac{1}{2}$) cm

D: Upper Arm Circumference: $14\frac{1}{4}$ ($15\frac{1}{2}$, $16\frac{1}{2}$, $17\frac{1}{2}$, $18\frac{1}{2}$) (20, $21\frac{1}{2}$, 23, $24\frac{1}{2}$)" / $35\frac{1}{2}$ (39, $41\frac{1}{2}$, 44, 47) (50, 54, $57\frac{1}{2}$, $61\frac{1}{2}$) cm

Neck drop: 2" / 5 cm

VIEW A ONLY

E: Wrist Circumference (in stockinette): $8\frac{1}{4}$ ($8\frac{3}{4}$, 9, $9\frac{1}{2}$, $9\frac{3}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{2}$, 11, $11\frac{1}{4}$)" / $20\frac{1}{2}$ (22, $22\frac{1}{2}$, 24, $24\frac{1}{2}$, $25\frac{1}{2}$, $26\frac{1}{2}$, $27\frac{1}{2}$, 28) cm

F: Sleeve Length: 15 ($15\frac{1}{2}$, $15\frac{3}{4}$, $15\frac{3}{4}$, 16) ($16\frac{1}{4}$, $16\frac{1}{4}$, $16\frac{1}{4}$)" / $37\frac{1}{2}$ (39, $39\frac{1}{2}$, $39\frac{1}{2}$, 40), ($40\frac{1}{2}$, $40\frac{1}{2}$, $40\frac{1}{2}$) cm

G: Body Length: 14" / $35\frac{1}{2}$ cm

VIEW B ONLY

F: Sleeve length: 9 ($9\frac{1}{2}$, $9\frac{3}{4}$, $9\frac{3}{4}$, 10) ($10\frac{1}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{4}$, $10\frac{1}{4}$) / 23 (24, 25, 25, $25\frac{1}{2}$) (26, 26, 26, 26) cm

G: Body Length: 9" / 23 cm