



Recalled to Life Sweater

Yarn: Noro Kureyon (10 skeins, approx 940 m)
 Size: 36" chest (mediumish), with some give. Not a tight sweater.
 Needles: US 8
 Gauge: 4.5 sts 6.5 rows per 1"
 Books to read: best knit while reading 'A Tale of Two Cities,' and an excellent project to dispel post-holiday doldrums (hence the title).

Pattern designed with Sweater Wizard (with many mods by me)

Back

With rib needle, cast on 76 sts.
 Rib in K2 P2 for 1 inch.

With body needle, work in stockinette until piece measures 15.5"

Armhole Shaping

Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rws.
 Dec 1 st each side, every other row 3x.
 Cont in stockinette until piece measures 24" from start

Shape Shoulders

Bind off 5 sts beg of next 2 rws.
 Bind off 6 sts beg of next 2 rws.
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 Bind off 30 back neck sts.

Front

Work as for back, including all shaping. At the same time when piece measures 16.4"

Begin Neck Shaping

Work to center, attach another ball of yarn and complete row. Turn. Working both sides at once:

Dec 1 st at each neck edge every 2nd

rw 9x, then every 4th rw 6x.
 Cont in stockinette until piece measures 24" from start.

Shape Shoulders

Work shoulder shaping (at shoulder edge) to correspond with back.

Work sleeves.

Sleeves

With smaller needles, cast on 40 sts.

Work same as body rib for 1".

Sleeve Shaping

Using larger needle, work one RS row.

Begin sleeve shaping:
 Inc 1 st on each side every 4th rw 18x.

Cont in pat st until piece measures 16" (76 sts)

Cap Shaping

Bind off 3 sts each side. (70 sts)
 Dec 1 st each side, every other row, 3x (64 sts)
 Dec 1 st each side every row 9x. (46 sts)
 Dec 1 st each side every 2nd rw 11x. (24 sts)
 Bind off 3 sts at the beg of next 4 rws. (12 sts)
 Bind off rem 12 sts.

Join seams.

Put on a movie, and spend two hours weaving in all the ends.

Seam each shoulder. (17 sts)

Standard Neck Finishing

With smaller circular or dp needle and right side facing:

Pick up 36 sts from back neck
 Pick up 37 sts from left neck edge, place center marker, M1 st in center, Pick up 37 sts from right neck edge, place end of round marker.

Rnd1: work in k1, p1 ribbing to

within 2 sts of center marker, SSK, place marker, k1, K2TOG, work in k1, p1 ribbing to end of round.
 Rnd2: work in ribbing to within 2 sts of center marker, SSK, place marker, k1.
 k2tog, work in ribbing to end of round.



Repeat rnd 2 for approx. 1". Bind off loosely in ribbing.

Marvel at your creation.



Notes

Note - when knitting the neck, any number of back stitches can be picked up, but it's essential to have an even number (and to stick to the instructions for the right and left front).

I recommend winding your Kureyon into balls, starting a new ball every time a knot, break, or weak spot is encountered. Use the smallest balls for the back, where irregularity in striping won't be as noticeable (to the wearer, at least).

This sweater is quick to knit, used less than ten skeins of Noro (good if you can find it on sale), isn't too tight, can pass office dress code, and looks good with a v-neck tshirt underneath. Enjoy!