Graham Street by Maria Tusken

Graham Street is a simple and basic wardrobe staple, perfect with jeans, a skirt, or to pull over a dress on chilly days. With a vintage-style higher neckline, set in sleeves, and relaxed waist shaping, this style will flatter nearly every body type. Graham Street is also knit almost completely seamlessly, which means less finishing!

Construction: The body of Graham Street is knit in the round from the bottom-up to the armholes and divided for the front and back. The front and back are then knit back and forth in rows and grafted together at the shoulders. Sleeve stitches are picked up, and sleeve caps shaped using short-rows. Sleeves are then knit in the round. Stitches are picked up around the neckline and knit in ribbing.

Fit: Graham Street is meant to be worn with 0-2" positive ease in the bust. Choose the size closest to, or just above your actual bust measurements.

Shown in size 30-32", with 1" positive ease in bust.

Sizes:

XS 30-32" Small 34-36"

Medium 38-40" Large 42-44"

XL 46-48" XXL 50-52"

Refer to schematic on last page for finished measurements.

Materials:

Yarn: approximately 880 (1000, 1100, 1210) (1320, 1430) yards of worsted weight yarn that knits to gauge.

Yarn used: 8 balls (50 g/110 yds) Knit Picks Swish worsted in Dublin.

Needles: 24" (body) and 40" (sleeves and neck) US sizes 6 and 7 (or size to obtain gauge)

I tapestry needle for grafting.

Two stitch markers

Scrap yarn



Gauge: 20 sts and 28 rows = 4x4" blocked. Check gauge to ensure proper fit.

Body

Using smaller 24" needles, CO 76 (86, 96, 106), (116, 126) sts, pm, CO 76 (86, 96, 106), (116, 126) sts, pm. 152 (172, 192, 212), (232, 252) total stitches. Join for working in the round. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 2 (2, 2, 2) (2.5, 2.5)". Switch to larger 24" needles. Work in st. st. until piece measures 4.5 (5, 5, 5.5), (5.5, 6)" from CO edge.

Waist Decrease Round

*K1, k2tog, knit to three sts before next marker, ssk, k1, sm. Repeat from * once more.

Repeat decrease round every 6 (6, 7, 8), (8, 9) round, 3 (3, 4, 4), (4, 4) more times. 136 (156, 172, 192), (212, 232) sts.

Knit six rows

Waist Increase Round

*k1, M1L, k to one st before marker, m1R, k1, sm. Repeat from * once more.

Repeat decrease round every 6 (6, 7, 8), (8, 9) rounds 3 (3, 4, 4), (4, 4) more times. 152 (172, 192, 212), (232, 252) sts.

Knit without further shaping until piece measures 13.5 (14, 14, 14.5), (14.5, 15)" from CO edge.

Separate for front and back

*Knit to 1 (2, 2, 3), (3, 4) sts before marker. BO 1 (2, 2, 3), (3, 4) sts, remove marker, BO 1 (2, 2, 3), (3, 4) sts. Repeat from * once more.

You will now be working the front and back sections flat. Place front stitches on a piece of scrap yarn to be worked later.

74 (82, 92, 100), (110, 118) stitches for each the front and back.

Back

Armhole shaping

Knit across. Turn. BO first 2 sts. Purl across. Turn. BO first 2 sts. Repeat from 1 (1, 2, 3) (4, 7) more times. 66 (74, 80, 84), (90, 90) back sts

Work in st. st. until armhole measures 7 (7.5, 8, 8.5), (9, 9.5)", ending with a WS row.

Back neck shaping

RS: K 14 (16, 19, 20) (23, 23). BO next 38 (42, 42, 44) (44, 44) sts. K 14 (16, 19, 20) (23, 23). Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for grafting later. Place shoulder sts on scrap yarn.

Front

Armhole shaping

With RS facing, attach yarn. Knit one row. Turn. *BO first (2) sts. Purl across. Turn. BO first (2) sts. Knit across. Turn. Repeat from * 1 (1, 2, 3) (4, 7) more times. 66 (74, 80, 84) (90, 90) front stitches.

Work without further shaping until armhole measures 6 (6.5, 7, 7.5) (8, 8.5)", ending with a WS row.

Neckline shaping

Next row: (RS) K 23 (27, 29, 31) (34, 34), BO 20 (20, 22, 22) (22, 22), K 23 (27, 29, 31) (34, 34). Place left shoulder sts on scrap yarn.



Right Shoulder:

Purl across one row.

Row 1 (RS): BO 2 (2, 2, 3) (3, 3) sts, k to end.

Row 2 (WS): Purl

Repeat these two rows 2 (3, 3, 3) (3, 3) more times.

Next Row (RS): BO 3 (3, 4, 2) (2, 2) sts. K to end.

14 (16, 19, 20) (23, 23) right shoulder sts.

 $\textbf{Left shoulder:} \ \ \textbf{With RS facing attach working yarn.}$

Knit across.

Row 1 (WS): BO 2 (2, 2, 3) (3, 3) sts, P to end

Row 2 (RS): Knit

Repeat these two rows 2 (3, 3, 3) (3, 3) more times.

Next row (WS): BO 3 (3, 4, 2) (2, 2) sts, P to end.

14 (16, 19, 20) (23, 23) left shoulder sts.

Graft shoulder sts together.



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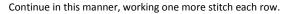
Sleeve (same for right and left)

Using larger 40" circular needles:

(RS) Beginning with the center of armpit, attach working yarn and pick up 26 (29, 32, 36) (40, 44) sts between armpit and shoulder seam. Pick up 26 (29, 32, 36) (40, 44) more stitches between shoulder seam and armpit. Place marker at center armpit.

Short-row shaping:

K 31 (34, 37, 43) (46, 50), w&t, p 10 (10, 10, 12) (12, 12), w&t, k 11 (11, 11, 13) (13, 13), w&t, p 12 (12, 12, 14) (14, 14), w&t, k 13 (13, 13, 15) (15, 15), w&t,



Continue working short rows until you reach the end of the armhole shaping, ending with the last w&t on a WS row.

Knit one round.

Decrease round: Knit to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog.

Repeat Decrease Round 0 (1, 2, 4) (4, 3) more times. 50 (54, 58, 64) (70, 80) total arm sts.

Arm decreases:

Rounds 1-17 (14, 15, 4) (9, 6) Knit.

Decrease Round: Knit to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog.

Repeat Decrease round every 18, (15, 15, 10) (8, 6) rounds, 4 (6, 6, 9) (11, 15) more times.

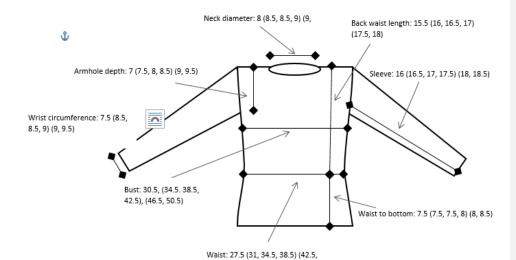
Knit until arm measures 13.5 (14, 15 15.5) (16, 16.5)" from armpit.

Switch to smaller needles. Work in k1, p1 rib for 2 (2, 2, 2) (2.5, 2.5)"

Neckline

With smaller 40" needles or dpns and RS facing, starting at the left shoulder seam, pick up 80 (84, 84, 88) (88, 88) sts. Work in K1, P1 rib for 3/4". BO in rib, using a stretchy BO.

Finishing: Weave in ends. Block to measurements.





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