

Seaweed Boxy Top

This top is designed as a boxy over top which hangs slightly over the arms.

You can alter the neckline so it sits on your shoulders or wear it off one shoulder.

The top is a rectangle where there is a neck/ head opening created by casting off stitches and is sewn at the sides.



You will need;

- 6mm knitting needles
- Thin seaweed yarn (for amounts see sizing table) you can find it here https://www.veganyarn.co.uk/product-category/yarn-base-material/seaweed/ thin-seaweed/
- Wool needles for sewing up

Sizing Guide

This top is intended to be wide as it will hang over your shoulders.

We recommend measuring the bottom of your ribcage (one side, not all around) and adding 8-10".

Model shown is wearing size 28" and is a UK size 12 with 18" ribcage measurement.

Size	Stitches to cast	Amount of yarn needed	
20"	72	75g	
24"	86	90g	
28"	100	105g	
32"	114	120g	
36"	128	135g	
40"	136	150g	
44"	158	165g	
48"	172	180g	
52"	186	195g	
56"	200	210g	
60"	214	225g	

Pattern

Cast on the required amount of stitches for your size.

Work every row as follows - YO, K2tog
(yarn over, knit 2 stitches together, repeat until end of row)
Repeat this until you have worked 56 rows - the top will be 13" long
If you wish to add length just add rows at this point remembering to add the same amount on the other side - and you will use more yarn than stated in this pattern.

Neckline

You will work one row in pattern casting off a number of stitches in the middle of the row. On row 2 you will then cast back on the same number of stitches. See below table for the number of stitches to cast off.

Size	Total Stitches	Work in pattern for	Cast Off	Work in pattern for remaining stitches
20"	72	22 stitches	28 stitches	22 stitches
24"	86	28 stitches	30 stitches	28 stitches
28"	100	34 stitches	32 stitches	34 stitches
32"	114	40 stitches	34 stitches	40 stitches
36"	128	46 stitches	36 stitches	46 stitches
40"	136	48 stitches	40 stitches	48 stitches
44"	158	58 stitches	42 stitches	58 stitches
48"	172	64 stitches	44 stitches	64 stitches
52"	186	70 stitches	46 stitches	70 stitches
56"	200	76 stitches	48 stitches	76 stitches
60"	214	82 stitches	50 stitches	82 stitches

Tip - You will find that either your cast on row is tighter than your cast off row, or vice versa. The looser seam is the front neckline, the tighter seam is the back neckline.

Now you just need to continue in pattern (YO, k2tog) until you have knitted the same amount of rows as you did on the first side.

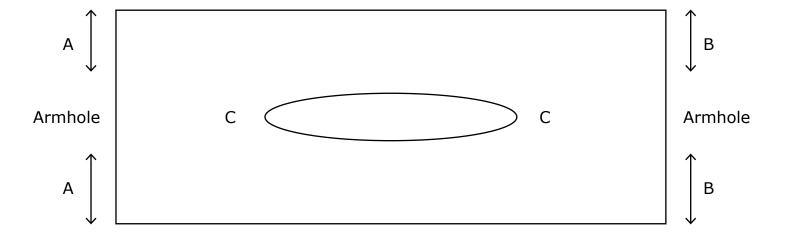
Now cast off.

Assembly

Stitch side A to side A and Side B to side B using mattress stitch leaving comfortable room for your arm. We left a 6" gap but this is up to you.

At points C you may want to add stitches depending on how you want to top to hang. We added about an inch of stitching each side to make it sit comfortably on the shoulders but you could wear off shoulder.

Please see diagram on following page.





Aftercare

We haven't blocked the pictured top, a simple gentle pull when dry and first off the needles will open out the pattern nicely (you can also do this by gently pulling the knitting as you go).

The yarn is machine washable (we've not tried it in a tumble dryer!) and the top should be reshaped while damp and dried flat.

Drying in direct sunlight will cause the colours to fade. Seaweed yarn DOES NOT smell when wet!

We would love for you to share your work with us. Please do tag us in your social media posts.





