

Groovy Girl Shrug – Three Variations

Yarn: Use sport weight for the body, with fingering for any ruffles.

Needles: Size 5

Gauge: (for body) 22 sts / 28 rows = 4"/10 cm

There are three samples.

Sample 1 (bottom in picture) has no ruffles.

Sample 2 (center) has sleeve ruffles only.

Sample 3 (top) has sleeve and body ruffles.



Pattern stitch

The pattern stitch used is K2, P2 two-row squares, a four-row pattern.

Row 1: K2, P2 to end.

Row 2 and all even (ws) rows: Work the stitches as they face you.

Row 3: P2, K2 to end.

Repeat row 2.

Body of shrug

Short instructions

Work 14 rows even in pattern stitch.

Row 15: Inc 1 st at beginning of row (this is the bottom back of the shrug)

Row 16 (ws) Dec 1 st at beginning of row (bottom front).

Row 17: repeat row 15.

Row 18: repeat row 16.

Row 19: work even

Repeat rows 18 and 19 until there are 12 stitches remaining. Work even for four rows.

Now begin increasing at the beginning of each rs row until you have 18 stitches. Dec at beg of next 2 ws rows while continuing to inc on rs rows - you have 18 stitches and the piece should be

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symmetrical. Work 14 rows even in pattern stitch. Bind off. Continue with *Ruffles* below.
If the instructions above are confusing, use these detailed instructions.

Row by row instructions

Cast on 18 sts.

Row 1: K2, (P2, K2) 4 times.

Row 2: P2, (K2, P2) 4 times.

Row 3: Repeat row 2.

Row 4: Repeat row 1.

Rows 5-12: Repeat rows 1-4 twice more.

Row 13: Repeat row 1.

Row 14: Repeat row 2.

Row 15: K1, P1 into first stitch, P1, (K2, P2) 4 times. Mark this row with a piece of scrap yarn.

Row 16: K2 tog, (P2, K2) 4 times, P1.

Row 17: P into front and back of next stitch, (K2, P2) 4 times, K1.

Row 18: K2 tog, K1, (P2, K2) 4 times.

Row 19: (K2, P2) 4 times, K2.

Row 20: P2 tog, (K2, P2) 4 times.

Row 21: (P2, K2) 4 times, P1.

Row 22: P2 tog, P1, (K2, P2) 3 times, K2.

Row 23: (K2, P2) 4 times.

Row 24: k2 tog, (P2, K2) 3 times, P2.

Row 25: (P2, K2) 3 times, P2, K1.

Row 26: K2 tog, K1, (P2, K2) 3 times.

Row 27: (K2, P2) 3 times, K2.

Row 28: P2 tog, (K2, P2) 3 times.

Row 29: (P2, K2) 3 times, P1.

Row 30: P2 tog, P1, (K2, P2) 2 times, K2.

Row 31: (K2, P2) 3 times.

Row 32: Repeat row 31.

Row 33: (P2, K2) 3 times.

Row 34: Repeat row 33.

Row 35: Repeat row 31.

Row 36: (P1, K1) into next stitch, K1, (P2, K2) 2 times, P2.

Row 37: (P2, K2) 3 times, P1

Row 38: K into front and back of next stitch, (P2, K2) 3 times.

Row 39: (K2, P2) 3 times, K2.

Row 40: K1, P1 into next stitch, P1, (K2, P2) 3 times.

Row 41: (P2, K2) 3 times, P2, K1.

Row 42: P into front and back of next stitch, (K2, P2) 3 times, K2.

Row 43: (K2, P2) 4 times.

Row 44: (P1, K1) into next stitch, K1, (P2, K2) 3 times, P2.

Row 45: (P2, K2) 4 times, P1.

Row 46: K into front and back of next stitch, (P2, K2) 4 times.

Row 47: K2 tog, (P2, K2) 4 times.

Row 48: K1, P1 into next stitch, P1, (K2, P2) 3 times, K2, P1.

Row 49: K2 tog, K1, (P2, K2) 3 times, P2, K1.

Row 50: P into front and back of next stitch, (K2, P2) 4 times.

Row 51: P2, (K2, P2) 4 times. Mark this row with a piece of scrap yarn.

Row 52: K2, (P2, K2) 4 times.

Row 53: Repeat row 52.

Row 54: Repeat row 51.

Repeat rows 51 - 54 twice more, then rows 51 and 52 once more.

Bind off in knit.

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Ruffles

Start with the ruffles on the ends of the sleeve. I found these easy to do before assembly.

Row 1: Using smaller needles, pick up and knit one stitch in each cast on (or bind off) stitch. (18 sts)

Row 2: Inc 1 st in each stitch (knit front and back, or use another increase if you prefer.) (36 sts)

Row 3 (right side): Knit

Row 4: Repeat row 2 (72 sts)

Row 5: Bind off in knit.

Assembly

Now you need to sew the sleeve seams from the cast on or bind off edge to the point where the first shaping occurred. Then sew up sleeve ruffle.



Body Ruffle

You're going to need to pick up from the center back neck around one front, across the lower back edge, around the other front and back to the center back neck. I found this worked well using a set of five double pointed needles.

Row 1: Start at the center back neck and pick up about 20 stitches on the first needle. You should be about 2/3 of the way down the front. Pick up about 20 stitches on the next needle, from there to the center back. Continue picking up about 20 stitches on two more needles (80 sts or so—don't worry if your number is a little different.)

Row 2: It seemed natural to work in the round, but if you want the ruffles to match the sleeve ruffles, this will involve working your increases in purl. If you prefer, you can turn at this point and work back and forth for your garter stitch ruffles. I tried both methods and found that working in the round was easier. To work in the round: purl front and back in each stitch around. (160 sts)

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: (I decided I didn't want quite so much ruffling going on as round the sleeves. If you want them the same as the sleeve ruffles, repeat row 2). P1, purl front and back. Repeat to end of round.

Row 5: Bind off in knit.