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TIGER SWEATER

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In 1989, renowned knitwear designer Ruth Herring co-released the book **Knitting Wildlife**. Complete with original knitting patterns and celebrity photoshoots, it helped raise vital funds for WWF at the time.

This year, the patterns have been lovingly re-imagined by Ruth in this limited-edition collection. Offering us a modern take on vintage knitwear, Ruth blends retro charm with contemporary fashion.

Whether your knit is a personal project or a gift that's made to last, craft for a cause and help us raise awareness of endangered wildlife.



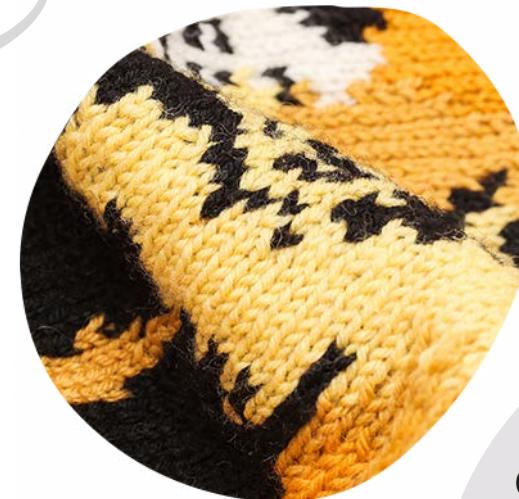
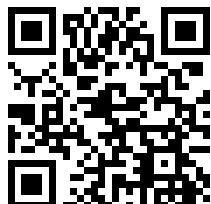
ABOUT WWF

At WWF, we're bringing our world back to life. Nature is in freefall, and we're urgently tackling the underlying causes that are driving the decline. We're finding solutions so future generations inherit a world with thriving habitats and wildlife.

It's a huge challenge, but if we all act together, there is hope.

We hope you enjoy this free pattern inspired by the wild tigers we're working to protect from the illegal wildlife trade and habitat loss. If you can, please consider making a donation so we can continue this vital work and protect the places they call home.

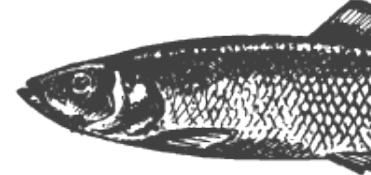
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Top tip

Opt for 100% British wool for the most sustainable option, and avoid synthetic fibres like acrylic and nylon, as well as cashmere, mulberry silk and mohair

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To Fit	80/85 32/34	90 35/36	95 37/38	100 39/40	105 41/42	cm ins
Actual Size	105 41.25	111 43.75	114.5 45	120 47.25	125.5 49.5	cm ins
Full Length	61.75 24.25	63.5 25	67 26.25	69.5 27.25	71.75 28.25	cm ins
Sleeve Length	44.5 17.5	46 18	46 18	47 18.5	48.5 19	cm ins

Materials

West Yorkshire Spinners

ColourLab 100% British Wool DK

Main Colour: Mustard Yellow (1205) x 5 (5, 5, 6, 6)
100g balls

Phantom Black (099) x 1 100g ball

Morris 100% British Wool DK

Marigold (1287) x 1 50g ball

Daffodil (1286) x 1 50g ball

Daisy (1275) x 1 50g ball

3.25mm and 4.00mm knitting needles

Stitch holder

Tension

22sts and 28 rows to 10cm over pattern on
4.00mm needles.

Abbreviations

K – Knit

P – Purl

Stst – Stocking Stitch (1 row k; 1 row p)

Alt – Alternate (every other row)

Beg – Beginning

Dec – Decrease

Rem – Remain(ing)

Rep – Repeat

St(s) – stitch(es)

Notes

Instructions for larger sizes are given in brackets ()

Intarsia Technique

When working Intarsia, use separate, small balls of yarn. When joining in a new colour, leave an end of about 5cm for darning in later. When changing colour, twist yarns together to avoid making a hole.

YouTube demos by Ruth Herring k1p1 TV

How to Knit Intarsia knitting Part 1 – k1p1 TV

<https://youtu.be/IyusrCZzftY?si=iek6sCpfeChyIP-7>

How to Knit Intarsia knitting Part 2 Darning Ends – k1p1 TV

<https://youtu.be/Rae4dJTxJuA?si=YDcltONMFvKVIFnC>



Back

Using 3.25mm needles and **MAIN**, cast on **115 (121, 125, 131, 137)** sts

Rib row 1: K1, *p1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2: P1, *k1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep 2 rib rows for **7.5cm**, inc 1 stitch at beg of last row: **116 (122, 126, 132, 138)** sts.

Change to 4.00mm needles and work **146 (154, 162, 170, 176)** rows in stst, ending with a p row.

Shape Back Neck

Next row: K48 (51, 52, 53, 56) sts. TURN and leave rem sts on a holder.

Work on these sts only for **Right Shoulder**.

Cast off 6 sts at beg of next and following alt row.

Cast off rem **36 (39, 40, 41, 44)** sts.

Return to sts on holder.

With **RS** facing, slip first **20 (20, 22, 26, 26)** sts onto a holder.

Rejoin yarn to next st and k to end.

P 1 row, then cast off 6 sts at the beg of next and following alt row.

Cast off rem **36 (39, 40, 41, 44)** sts.

Front

Using 3.25mm needles and **MAIN**, cast on **115 (121, 125, 131, 137)** sts.

Rib row 1: K1, *p1, k1, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2: P1, *k1, p1, rep from * to end.

Rep 2 rib rows for **7.5cm**, increasing 1 stitch at beg of last row: **116 (122, 126, 132, 138)** sts.

Change to 4.00mm needles and work from row **17 (13, 9, 5, 1)** of Chart.

Size 1, go straight to **Shape Neckline**.

All other sizes: Starting with a knit row, work **(4, 8, 12, 14)** rows stst, then go to **Shape Neckline**.

Shape Neckline

Left neck shaping

Next row: K48 (51, 53, 56, 59) sts. TURN and work on these sts only. Leave rem sts on a holder.

Dec 1 st at neck edge only on every row until **36 (39, 40, 41, 44)** sts rem.

Then work **9 (9, 8, 6, 6)** rows without shaping.

Cast off.

Return to sts on holder.

With **RS** facing, slip first **20** sts onto a holder for front neck.

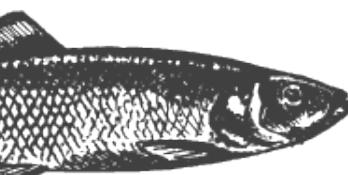
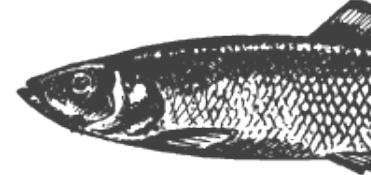
Right neck shaping

Rejoin yarn to next st and k to end.

Dec 1 st at neck edge only on every row until **36 (39, 40, 41, 44)** sts rem.

Then work **10 (10, 9, 7, 7)** rows without shaping.

Cast off.



Sleeves

Using 3.25mm needles and **MAIN**, cast on **55 (57, 57, 61, 61)** sts.

Work **6cm** k1, p1 rib as given for Back.

Change to 4.00mm needles.

Starting with a k row, work in stst, inc 1 st each end of **row 1**, then every foll **8th** (8th, 6th, 6th, 6th) row until there are **79 (83, 83, 87, 97)** sts.

Sizes 3 and 4 only: Now inc 1 st each end of every **8th** row until there are **(89, 93)** sts.

All sizes: There are now **79 (83, 89, 93, 97)** sts.

Work without shaping until sleeve measures **44.5 (46, 46, 47, 48.5) cm.**

Cast off evenly.

Neckband

Join Left Shoulder seam.

Using 3.25mm needles and **MAIN**, with RS facing, pick up and k15 sts down **Right Back Neck**, k20 (20, 22, 26, 26) sts from holder, pick up and k16 sts up **Left Back Neck**, then 21 (21, 23, 24, 24) sts down **Left Front Neck**, k20 sts from holder, then pick up and k21 (21, 23, 24, 24) sts up **Right Front Neck**: 113 (113, 119, 125, 125) sts.

P 1 row.

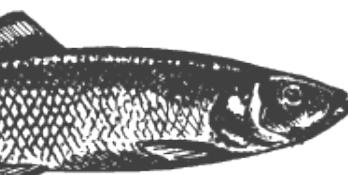
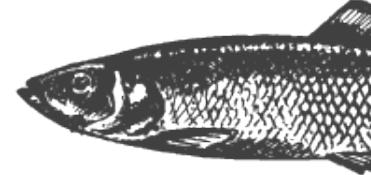
Now work in Fair Isle Rib.

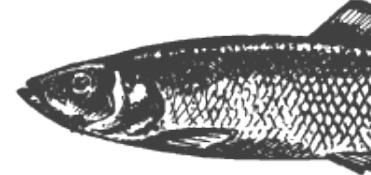
Rib row 1: K2 **Phantom Black**, *p1 **MAIN**, k2 **Phantom Black**, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2: P2 **Phantom Black**, *k1 **MAIN**, p2 **Phantom Black**, rep from * to end.

Rep 2 rib rows until 9 rows have been worked for **Crew Neck** or 17 rows for **High Neck**.

Using **Phantom Black**, rib 1 row, then cast off.





To make up

Darn in ends and block according to yarn instructions.

Join **Right Shoulder** and **Neckband** seams.

Mark armholes **18 (19, 20, 21, 22)** cm down from each shoulder.

Fold sleeve in half and pin centre to **Shoulder Seam**, then down to **Armhole** marking.

Sew in sleeves, then join side seams and sleeve seams.

See ball band for further care instructions.

Chart Printing instructions

The chart is scalable on your **Computer, Tablet**, or preferred digital device using the zoom function.

To Print

To scale up and tile a print on A4 paper (i.e., print a large image across multiple smaller sheets that can be assembled into a poster), the most common and effective method is using the **“Poster”** or **“Tiling”** feature in a PDF viewer like Adobe Acrobat Reader. Printer instructions may vary for scaling up and tiling. Please refer to your manual.

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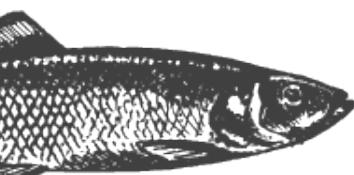
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