

# Swirl in Grigna

This cardigan is knitted in Yeoman Grigna, T10 [standard gauge] stocking stitch throughout.

My tension was about 5 stitches and 7.5 rows to an inch, but this is not too critical. My size 14 took about 250g of yarn.

It is knit in 4 pieces: upper back, main body and two sleeves. Seaming only on sleeves!

Sizes: 12 [**14** 16 **18** 20 **22** 24 **26**] chest 30/32 (**34/36**, 38/40, **42/44**, 46/48, **50/52**, 54/56, **58/60**) inches



These edges form a v shape round your neck and make up the front edge

## Upper back

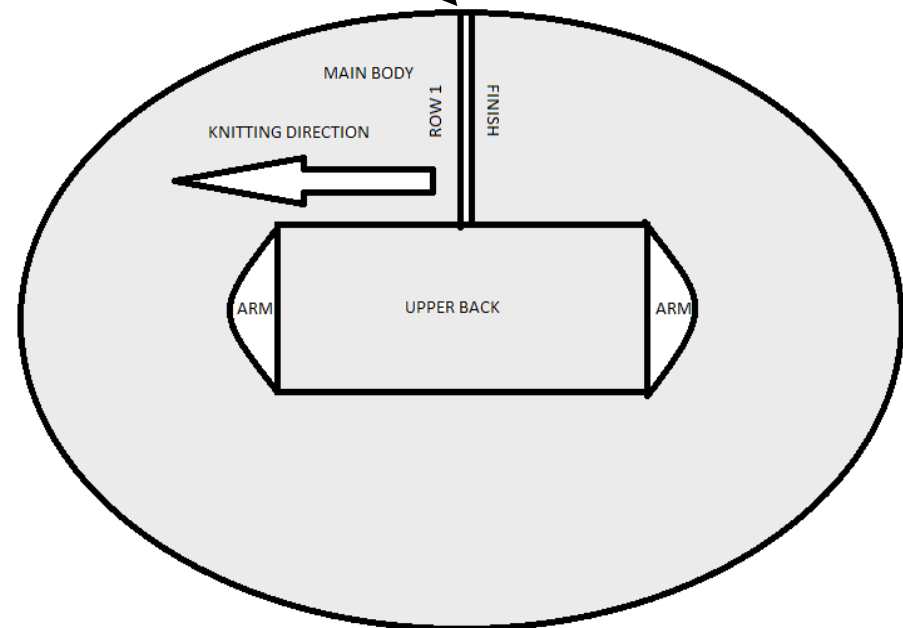
Cast on in waste yarn 74[**80** 84 **88** 92 **96** 100 **104**] stitches. Knit a few rows, COR.

Join main yarn. Place marker on centre stitch [L1] Knit 56[**60** 64 **68** 72 **76** 80 **84**] rows. Place marker on L1 again.

Join waste yarn and knit a few rows. Remove piece from machine.

## Main body

You will be knitting 15 'wedges' round the upper back and picking up from it. I used the plain side of the upper back, and the purl side of the main body, as the right side – this made picking up fairly easy and it looked ok. This is a diagram of what you are doing:



Cast on 100 stitches [or more if you want a longer cardi – see notes at end] at row 1! [50/50] Pick up 1 stitch from Upper Back and place on L50 i.e. you now have 2 stitches on this needle.

### Wedge

Knit 1 row. Pick up 1 stitch again, then knit 1 row. Knit one row without picking up a stitch. RC003

[This will be your basic picking up stitches routine i.e. on 2 out of 3 rows. Don't worry if you get slightly out of sync – it will still work and you can check your position at the armholes.]

*For 1st wedge and 15th wedge **only** continue until RC 024 [024 034 030 028 038 034 032] Then knit the **dart** as below until RC = 042 [042 052 048 046 056 052 050]end of wedge*

**2<sup>nd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> wedges:** Continue in this way until RC 022 [024 024 026 028 028 030 032].

Now you are going to **knit a dart** to provide some flare.

Set machine to hold. Put needles L30 – L50 to holding position. Knit 1 row. \*Put 1 more needle into hold at left side, knit a row\* Repeat from \* to \* until RC shows 040 [042 042 044 046 046 048 050] Cancel hold **End of Wedge**

Set RC to 000.

Repeat Wedge. You should now have knitted 2 darts and be nearing, but not at, the edge of the top of the upper back.

Set RC to 000

You are now going to knit the Wedge again, **but** when you get to the edge of the back, you must stop picking up stitches for the remainder of this wedge. [Armhole] This should be about halfway through the straight knitting.

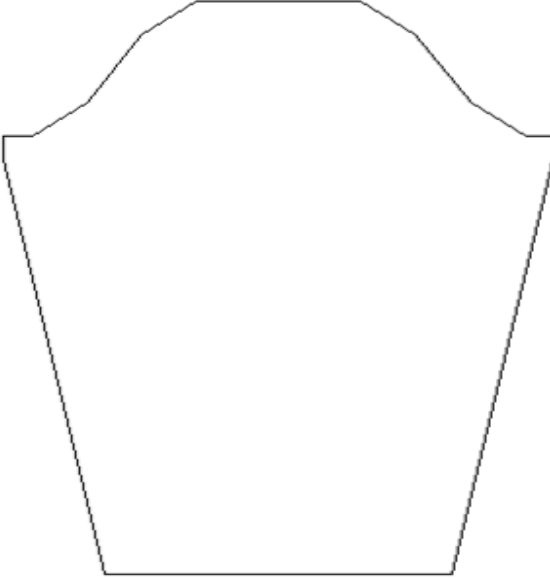
Repeat 2 more wedges.

**Start picking up from bottom edge of upper back** Knit 5 wedges picking up all the stitches at the bottom of the back.

Second armhole: knit 2 and a half wedges before starting to pick up at the top again.

Finish the other half of the wedge, knit 2 more wedges [**NB** final (15<sup>th</sup>) wedge see note in basic wedge instruction] and cast off loosely. You have finished the body!

## Sleeve

12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26		Sleeve - Knit 2									12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26										
final row count																											Cast off remaining								
90	92	94	96	98	96	98	98																				20	20	20	22	22	22	22	24	
Knit to row																											Decrease 1 stitch each side alternate rows								
50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50																				8	8	0	8	8	0	0	10	times
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Finishing: Steam press all pieces: sew up sleeve seams and insert sleeves.

I finished with a crochet edge. You could do the same or finish on the machine with a similar edge, or none at all – it will still look ok.

You could make this cardigan as long as you like by starting with more than 100 stitches. Just put leftmost 20 stitches into hold at start of short rowing sections

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