



Elizabeth Zimmermann's Green Sweater

Instructions by Sunday Holm

The original Green Sweater pattern includes instructions (seen below in red) for making a slimmer sleeve. At the request of an online knit along group, Sunday has augmented the pattern instructions. Additional instructions (not in the Green Sweater pattern) are in black.

Making a Slimmer Sleeve

To convert the dolman sleeve to a less dramatic, standard sleeve (about 9-10" deep at armhole), knit the body to 10" (11", 11", 12") from turning ridge, or wanted height to underarm. Work sleeve steeks as described on page 2, however-
When you knit up sts around the armhole for sleeves, knit-up at a ratio of 3 sts to 4 rows.

Your number of stitches will differ from the pattern. It will be approximately 120-140 stitches for a 9-10 inch armhole opening. Follow instructions for gusset, by marking lower corner stitches as described and doing gusset decreases as set.

When you start the top-of-sleeve decreases, try on the sweater to determine how long you want the sleeves. You may want to decrease more gradually; every 4th or 5th round instead of every other round, and ignore the gauntlet-cuff.

To make the sleeve longer, you will need to slow the rate of decrease after round 13. To determine how many rows between decreases, figure out:

1. How many sts you will have at round 13, (x) and how many you want at the beginning of the gauntlet or the end of sleeve if you are not knitting a gauntlet (y) $x-y=$ the total number of stitch decreases you need to make. Divide a in half, for you will be doing two decreases per round-(d)

2. Figure out how many rounds you will need to knit to get to the length you want by multiplying your row gauge times the desired length to the beginning of *your* gauntlet. (z)

3. z divided by number of decreases is the number of rounds to knit to decrease. This will also create a more subtle gusset at the top of the sleeve, unless you wish to change the decrease rate AFTER you finish the gusset.

x= number of stitches at top of sleeve after gusset

y=number of stitches at cuff

d= number of paired decreases you will need to make

a= number of rows between decreases

z= number of rows to you will need to knit to reach cuff (row gauge times desired length)

$x-y$ divided by 2= d

z divided by d is number of rounds to knit between decreases

Begin neck shaping when you are about 3 inches past beginning of sleeve steeks. Work neck shaping and shoulders as described on page 2.