

# Dundee Hills

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*My nieces asked me to make them shrugs to wear during their flower girl duties in my brother's wedding. I searched high and low for a child's shrug pattern that was both simple – I had only a few weeks to make both, as well as to prepare all the other wedding-related things I needed to do – and appropriate for their dresses. I found nothing I liked, and more importantly – nothing they liked. I did, however, find one adult shrug pattern whose construction was clean, neat, and simple.*

*This pattern was inspired by that one. My niece selected the lace pattern from a stitch dictionary; I updated it to work with the shrug.*

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Following this pattern as written will produce a girls size 10-12 shrug; instructions are provided to alter the size, if desired. See Alteration Instructions for details.

## YARN REQUIREMENTS

Approximately 250 yds of lace weight yarn.

Shown in Malabrigo *Lace*, colorway Marron Oscuro.

## MATERIALS AND NOTIONS

One pair US size 7 (4.5mm) needles, or size needed to obtain gauge

One pair US size 4 (3.5mm) 16" or 20" circular needles

Stitch markers

Tapestry needle

Blocking wires and/or pins

## GAUGE

20 sts per 5" in pattern

## TECHNIQUES USED

Knit, purl, simple increases and decreases, and picking up stitches.

## ABBREVIATIONS and SYMBOLS

☐ k      *knit on right side (RS),  
purl on wrong side (WS)*

/ k2tog    *knit 2 together*

\ ssk      *slip slip knit*

○ yo      *yarn over*

2x2 rib is \*k2, p2; repeat from \* to end

### DIAMOND LACE PATTERN

Row 1: K2, \*k2, yo, k1, k2tog, ssk, k1, yo, k2; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2 and all even rows: P across.

Row 3: K2, \*k3, yo, k2tog, ssk, yo, k3; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 5: K2, \*k2tog, k1, yo, k4, yo, k1, ssk; repeat from \* to last 2 stitches, k2.

Row 7: K2, \*k2tog, yo, k6, yo, ssk; repeat from \* to last 2 stitches, k2.

Row 8: P across.

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### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS (See next page for alteration instructions)

Using larger needles, CO 54, using long-tail method. Leave a 14" tail for seaming.

Change to smaller needles and work in 2x2 rib until piece measures 3".

Change to larger needles and purl across next row.

Work in *Diamond Lace Pattern* until total piece measures 25", ending on WS row.

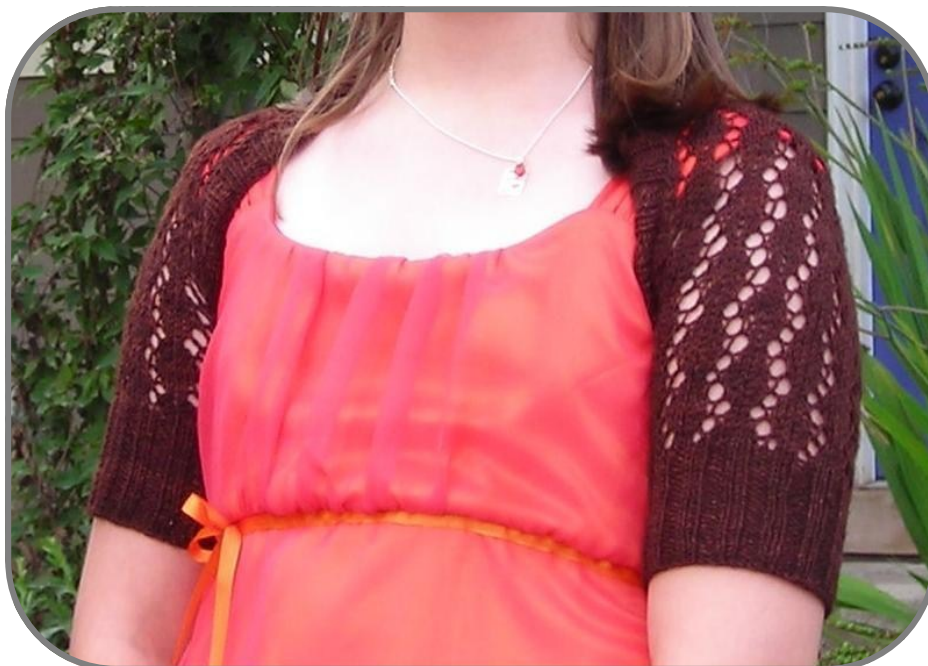
Change to smaller needles and work in 2x2 rib for 3 more inches. Bind off, leaving a 14" tail for seaming.

Before continuing, block the piece to a rectangle measuring 11" x 34".

Once blocked, sew 7" from one ribbed side towards center. If you plan to cuff the sleeves, sew the first 4" from the WS and the remaining 3" from the RS; this will prevent seams from showing. Repeat on the other cuff. Do not weave in ends yet – you'll do this at the end.

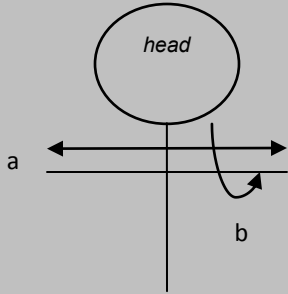
Using smaller size circular needles, pick up 204 stitches evenly around raw edges. Join first and last stitch. Place marker to indicate start of row. Work in 2x2 rib around for 1½". Bind off in rib pattern.

Weave in ends.



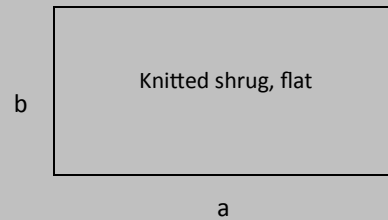
## ALTERATION INSTRUCTIONS

To alter the size of this pattern, you'll need the following measurements:



a: measure across the back from desired cuff end to cuff end; this will be the length of your rectangle

b: measure around the thickest part of the arm and add 1"; this will be the width of your rectangle



**If you will not have the recipient/wearer of the shrug near you when knitting, you may also want to make one more measurement at this point, that of the back. For proper sizing, measure across the back from the outer-most point of one shoulder to the outer-most point of the other shoulder. (We'll call this measurement "c.")**

**Using your measurements and gauge (in pattern), cast on enough stitches to produce the proper width (b), ensuring that total number of cast on stitches is a multiple of 10 plus 4.**

**Work ribbing to same measurements, but work in pattern to proper length (a).**

**After blocking, re-measure length (call this a'). Seam arms such that the length sewn for each arm is  $(a' - c) \div 2$ . In most cases, this will still be ~7". You may want to pin the arms and fit them to the recipient to ensure proper measurements.**

**Calculate the number of stitches to pick up by measuring the open edges. Pick up approximately 10 stitches for every inch, rounding the total number of stitches to be divisible by 4. Work ribbing for 1-1½", depending on size (for smaller shrugs, 1" may be most appropriate.)**