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BEGINNER

REBEL BASE

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Description

Rebel Base is a method for making the base of a placket neck in a Henley sweater in the round. I'm rebelling at the idea that there is only one way to make placket necks, and also acting on my husband's joke.

He once told me that if I named a pattern, "Rebel Base," I could write, "Here are the plans to the Rebel Base," in an e-mail! This May the Fourth, that's exactly what I did on my newsletter.

Yarn

Whatever yarn you decided to use in your project.

Needles

The size needle you were going to use on the trim: usually a little bit smaller than the size used on the body.

Abbreviations

k Knit.

p Purl.


Key

 RS: knit
WS: purl

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WS: knit

 Fold Here

 white

 Place locking stitch marker here

Tutorials

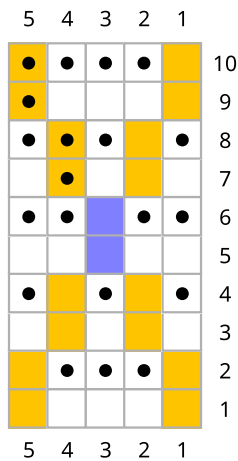
- How to fold a ribbed Rebel Base
<https://www.instagram.com/p/C6eONzvrqc-/>
- How to fold a garter Rebel Base
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Pattern

See how many stitches fit across the base of the placket neck in your pattern. It does need to be an odd number of stitches. If your pattern leaves an even number, pick up one extra stitch. Use the pattern for your stitch number. Use a men's fold for a men's pattern, women's fold for a women's pattern. If you want a narrow placket, use a garter stitch base; a wide placket, use a ribbed base.

Leaving a 12 inch, 30cm tail, pick up and knit the stitches of the base (or knit the live stitches slid onto a needle). Pick up and knit the stitches up the side of the placket, around the neck, then down the other side of the placket. A very flexible circular needle, or several double pointed needles may be used. Work through the rows of the Rebel base, following either the chart or the written instruction. On every even round, increase two stitches at each corner where the placket meets the neckline. Place your favorite buttonholes on the appropriate side of the placket: if you are working a Men's Rebel Base, the buttonholes need to go on the left, if you are working a women's Rebel Base, the buttonholes need to go on the right. This way the buttonholes come out on top of the side you sew buttons to. Bind off the entire neckline when the last round of the Rebel Base has been worked, leaving a 12 inch, 30 cm tail.

Garter 5 sts Men



Round 1: Knit. (5 sts)

Round 2: K1, p3, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p2.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 7: K3, p1, k1.

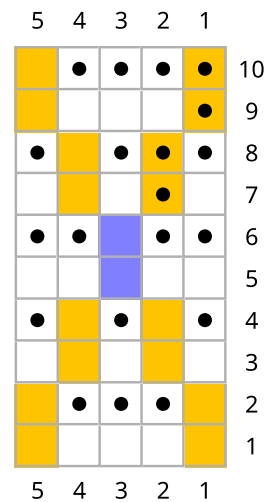
Round 8: P1, k1, p3.

Round 9: K4, p1.

Round 10: K1, p4.

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Garter 5 sts Women



Round 1: Knit. (5 sts)

Round 2: K1, p3, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p2.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 7: K1, p1, k3.

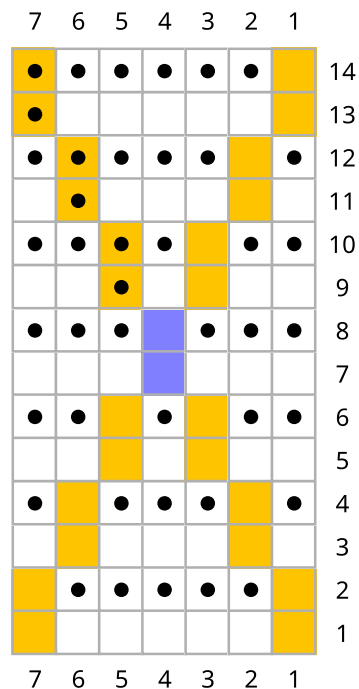
Round 8: P3, k1, p1.

Round 9: P1, k4.

Round 10: P4, k1.

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Garter 7 sts Men



Round 1: Knit. (7 sts)

Round 2: K1, p5, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: P1, k1, p3, k1, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p1, k1, p2.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: P3, k1, p3.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 9: K4, p1, k2.

Round 10: P2, k1, p4.

Round 11: K5, p1, k1.

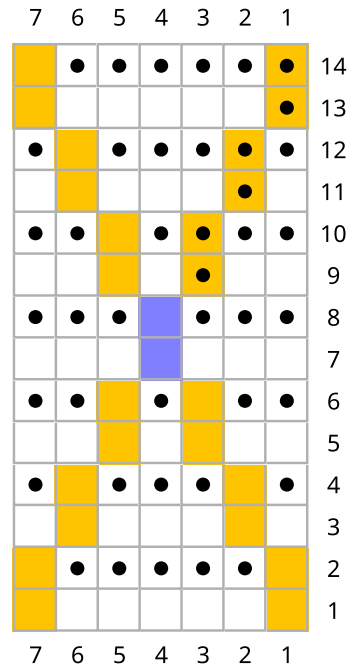
Round 12: P1, k1, p5.

Round 13: K6, p1.

Round 14: K1, p6.

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Garter 7 sts Women



Round 1: Knit. (7 sts)

Round 2: K1, p5, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: P1, k1, p3, k1, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p1, k1, p2.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: P3, k1, p3.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 9: K2, p1, k4.

Round 10: P4, k1, p2.

Round 11: K1, p1, k5.

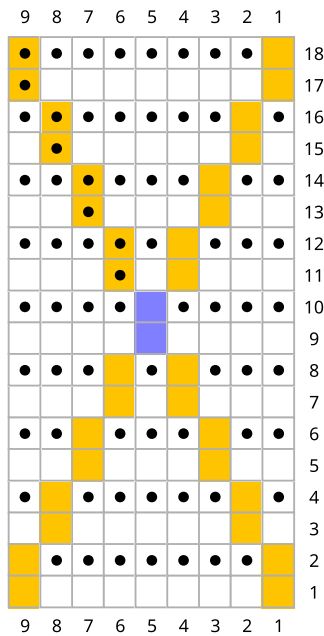
Round 12: P5, k1, p1.

Round 13: P1, k6.

Round 14: P6, k1.

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Garter 9 sts Men



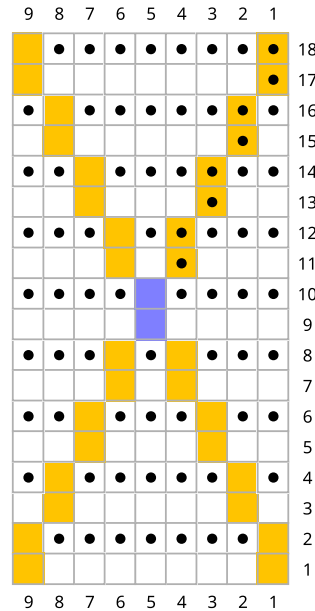
- Round 1:** Knit. (9 sts)
- Round 2:** K1, p7, k1.
- Round 3:** Knit.
- Round 4:** P1, k1, p5, k1, p1.
- Round 5:** Knit.
- Round 6:** P2, k1, p3, k1, p2.
- Round 7:** Knit.
- Round 8:** P3, k1, p1, k1, p3.
- Round 9:** Knit.
- Round 10:** P4, k1, p4.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

- Round 11:** K5, p1, k3.
- Round 12:** P3, k1, p5.
- Round 13:** K6, p1, k2.
- Round 14:** P2, k1, p6.
- Round 15:** K7, p1, k1.
- Round 16:** P1, k1, p7.
- Round 17:** K8, p1.
- Round 18:** K1, p8.

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Garter 9 sts Women



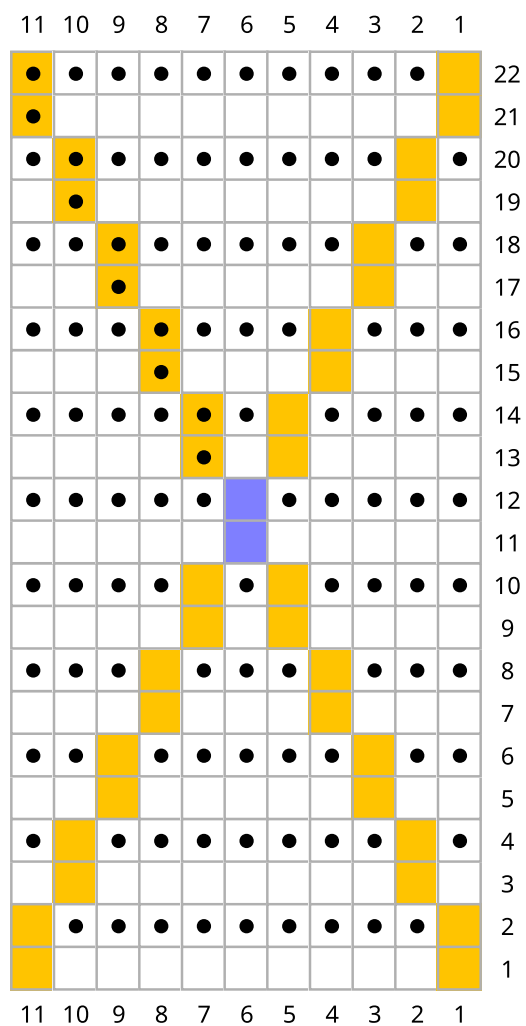
- Round 1:** Knit. (9 sts)
- Round 2:** K1, p7, k1.
- Round 3:** Knit.
- Round 4:** P1, k1, p5, k1, p1.
- Round 5:** Knit.
- Round 6:** K1, p1, k1, p3, k1, p2.
- Round 7:** Knit.
- Round 8:** P3, k1, p1, k1, p3.
- Round 9:** Knit.
- Round 10:** P4, k1, p4.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

- Round 11:** K3, p1, k5.
- Round 12:** P5, k1, p3.
- Round 13:** K2, p1, k6.
- Round 14:** P6, k1, p2.
- Round 15:** K1, p1, k7.
- Round 16:** P7, k1, p1.
- Round 17:** P1, k8.
- Round 18:** P8, k1.

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Garter 11 sts Men



Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 14: P4, k1, p6.

Round 15: K7, p1, k3.

Round 16: P3, k1, p7.

Round 17: K8, p1, k2.

Round 18: P2, k1, p8.

Round 19: K9, p1, k1.

Round 20: P1, k1, p9.

Round 21: K10, p1.

Round 22: K1, p10.

Continue on to Finishing.

Round 1: Knit. (11 sts)

Round 2: K1, p9, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: P1, k1, p7, k1, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p5, k1, p2.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: (P3, k1) twice, p3.

Round 9: Knit.

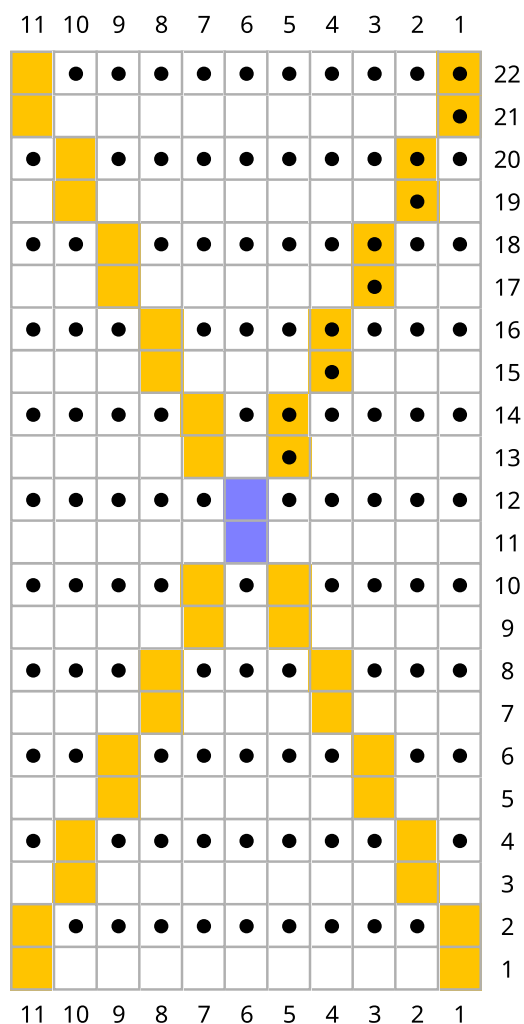
Round 10: P4, k1, p1, k1, p4.

Round 11: Knit.

Round 12: P5, k1, p5.

Round 13: K6, p1, k4.

Garter 11 sts Women



Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 14: P6, k1, p4.

Round 15: K3, p1, k7.

Round 16: P7, k1, p3.

Round 17: K2, p1, k8.

Round 18: P8, k1, p2.

Round 19: K1, p1, k9.

Round 20: P9, k1, p1.

Round 21: P1, k10.

Round 22: P10, k1.

Continue on to Finishing.

Round 1: Knit. (11 sts)

Round 2: K1, p9, k1.

Round 3: Knit.

Round 4: P1, k1, p7, k1, p1.

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: P2, k1, p5, k1, p2.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: (P3, k1) twice, p3.

Round 9: Knit.

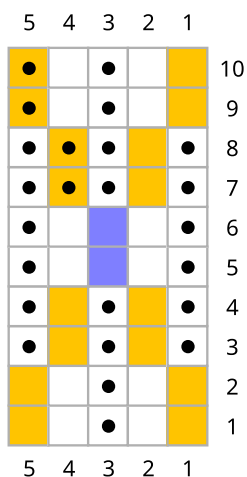
Round 10: P4, k1, p1, k1, p4.

Round 11: Knit.

Round 12: P5, k1, p5.

Round 13: K4, p1, k6.

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Round 1: K2, p1, k2. (5 sts)

Round 2: K2, p1, k2.

Round 3: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 4: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 5: P1, k3, p1.

Round 6: P1, k3, p1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 7: P1, k1, p3.

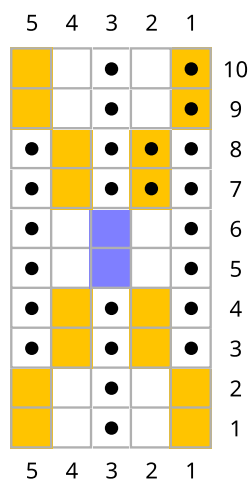
Round 8: P1, k1, p3.

Round 9: K2, p1, k1, p1.

Round 10: K2, p1, k1, p1.

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Ribbed 5 st Women



Round 1: K2, p1, k2. (5 sts)

Round 2: K2, p1, k2.

Round 3: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 4: (P1, k1) twice, p1.

Round 5: P1, k3, p1.

Round 6: P1, k3, p1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 7: P3, k1, p1.

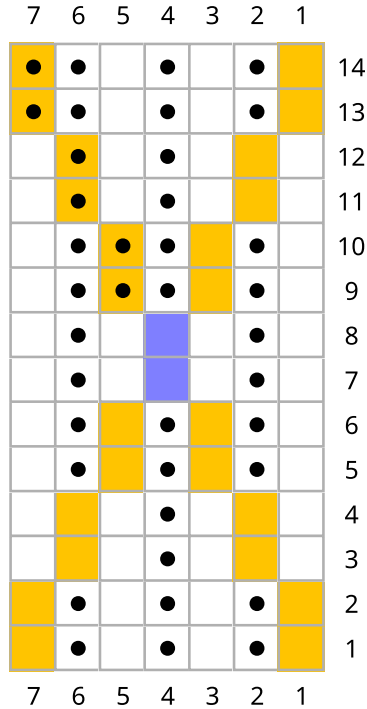
Round 8: P3, k1, p1.

Round 9: P1, k1, p1, k2.

Round 10: P1, k1, p1, k2.

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Ribbed 7 st Men



Round 1: (K1, p1) thrice, k1. (7 sts)

Round 2: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 3: K3, p1, k3.

Round 4: K3, p1, k3.

Round 5: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 6: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 7: K1, p1, k3, p1, k1.

Round 8: K1, p1, k3, p1, k1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 9: K1, p1, k1, p3, k1.

Round 10: K1, p1, k1, p3, k1.

Round 11: K3, (p1, k1) twice.

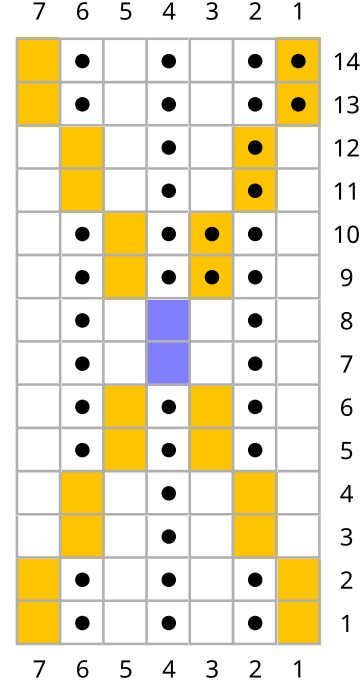
Round 12: K3, (p1, k1) twice.

Round 13: (K1, p1) twice, k1, p2.

Round 14: (K1, p1) twice, k1, p2.

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Ribbed 7 st Women



Round 1: (K1, p1) thrice, k1. (7 sts)

Round 2: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 3: K3, p1, k3.

Round 4: K3, p1, k3.

Round 5: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 6: (K1, p1) thrice, k1.

Round 7: K1, p1, k3, p1, k1.

Round 8: K1, p1, k3, p1, k1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 9: K1, p3, k1, p1, k1.

Round 10: K1, p3, k1, p1, k1.

Round 11: (K1, p1) twice, k3.

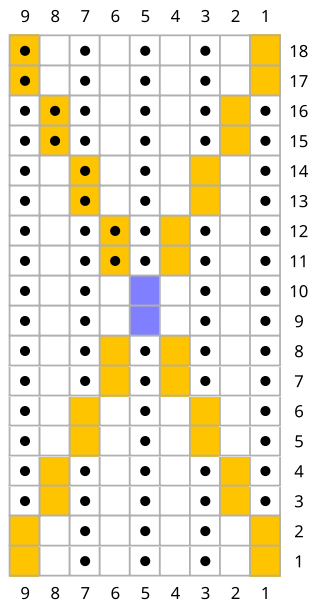
Round 12: (K1, p1) twice, k3.

Round 13: P2, (k1, p1) twice, k1.

Round 14: P2, (k1, p1) twice, k1.

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Ribbed 9 st Men



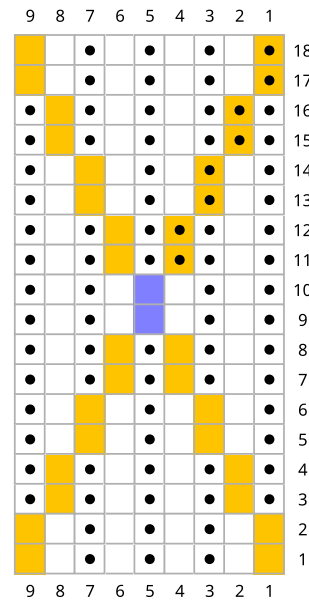
- Round 1:** K2, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k2. (9 sts)
- Round 2:** K2, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k2.
- Round 3:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 4:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 5:** (P1, k3) twice, p1.
- Round 6:** (P1, k3) twice, p1.
- Round 7:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 8:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 9:** P1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1.
- Round 10:** P1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

- Round 11:** (P1, k1) twice, p3, k1, p1.
- Round 12:** (P1, k1) twice, p3, k1, p1.
- Round 13:** P1, k3, (p1, k1) twice, p1.
- Round 14:** P1, k3, (p1, k1) twice, p1.
- Round 15:** (P1, k1) thrice, p3.
- Round 16:** (P1, k1) thrice, p3.
- Round 17:** K2, (p1, k1) thrice, p1.
- Round 18:** K2, (p1, k1) thrice, p1.

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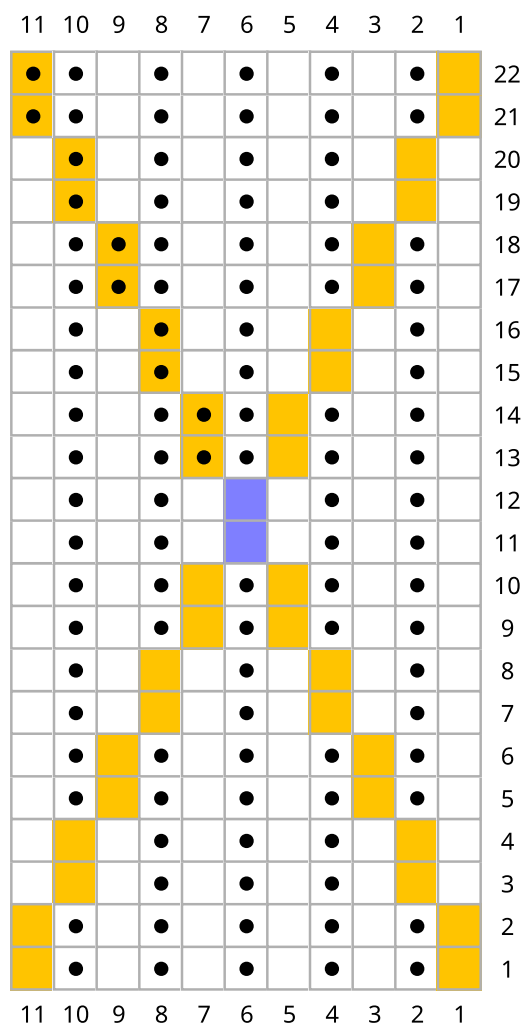
- Round 1:** K2, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k2. (9 sts)
- Round 2:** K2, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k2.
- Round 3:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 4:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 5:** (P1, k3) twice, p1.
- Round 6:** (P1, k3) twice, p1.
- Round 7:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 8:** (P1, k1) × 4, p1.
- Round 9:** P1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1.
- Round 10:** P1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

- Round 11:** P1, k1, p3, (k1, p1) twice.
- Round 12:** P1, k1, p3, (k1, p1) twice.
- Round 13:** (P1, k1) twice, p1, k3, p1.
- Round 14:** (P1, k1) twice, p1, k3, p1.
- Round 15:** P3, (k1, p1) thrice.
- Round 16:** P3, (k1, p1) thrice.
- Round 17:** (P1, k1) thrice, p1, k2.
- Round 18:** (P1, k1) thrice, p1, k2.

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central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

Round 13: (K1, p1) twice, k1, p3, k1, p1, k1.

Round 14: (K1, p1) twice, k1, p3, k1, p1, k1.

Round 15: K1, p1, k3, (p1, k1) thrice.

Round 16: K1, p1, k3, (p1, k1) thrice.

Round 17: (K1, p1) thrice, k1, p3, k1.

Round 18: (K1, p1) thrice, k1, p3, k1.

Round 19: K3, (p1, k1) × 4.

Round 20: K3, (p1, k1) × 4.

Round 21: (K1, p1) × 4, k1, p2.

Round 22: (K1, p1) × 4, k1, p2.

Continue on to Finishing.

Round 1: (K1, p1) × 5, k1. (11 sts)

Round 2: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.

Round 3: K3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3.

Round 4: K3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3.

Round 5: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.

Round 6: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.

Round 7: K1, (p1, k3) twice, p1, k1.

Round 8: K1, (p1, k3) twice, p1, k1.

Round 9: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.

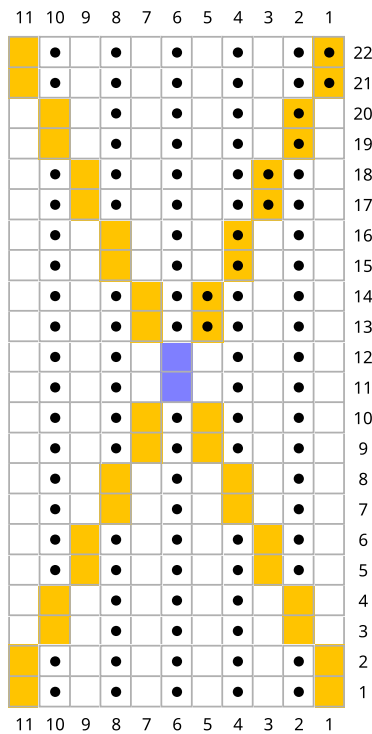
Round 10: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.

Round 11: (K1, p1) twice, k3, (p1, k1) twice.

Round 12: (K1, p1) twice, k3, (p1, k1) twice.

Place a locking stitch marker between the

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- Round 1:** (K1, p1) × 5, k1. (11 sts)
Round 2: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.
Round 3: K3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3.
Round 4: K3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3.
Round 5: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.
Round 6: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.
Round 7: K1, (p1, k3) twice, p1, k1.
Round 8: K1, (p1, k3) twice, p1, k1.
Round 9: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.
Round 10: (K1, p1) × 5, k1.
Round 11: (K1, p1) twice, k3, (p1, k1) twice.
Round 12: (K1, p1) twice, k3, (p1, k1) twice.

Place a locking stitch marker between the central stitches in the last two rows (the blue stitches in the chart).

- Round 13:** K1, p1, k1, p3, (k1, p1) twice, k1.
Round 14: K1, p1, k1, p3, (k1, p1) twice, k1.
Round 15: (K1, p1) thrice, k3, p1, k1.
Round 16: (K1, p1) thrice, k3, p1, k1.

- Round 17:** K1, p3, (k1, p1) thrice, k1.
Round 18: K1, p3, (k1, p1) thrice, k1.
Round 19: (K1, p1) × 4, k3.
Round 20: (K1, p1) × 4, k3.
Round 21: P2, (k1, p1) × 4, k1.
Round 22: P2, (k1, p1) × 4, k1.

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Finishing

Pull the locking stitch marker down until the bottom half of the Rebel Base lies flat against the sweater. Catch some of the sweater in the marker and lock it for now. Fold the side of the placket without buttonholes so that it fills the placket space while holding the bound off edge down. Fold the buttonhole side of the placket so that it lies on top of the other

side. Adjust the bottom of the base so that it looks triangular. The knit in fold lines should volunteer happily.

Using the bind off tail, sew the point of the folded Rebel Base to the sweater, remove the locking stitch marker. Using the Cast on Tail, working from inside of the sweater, sew the flat folded bound off edge of the Rebel Base to the flat edge of the sweater at the placket bottom. Sew on buttons. Weave in all ends.

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