



# hygge me close

Hygge Me Close is a cozy warm hug of a sweater perfect for a cold winter day. Its drop-shouldered, slightly boxy construction balance with curving, organic cable details along the sides and around the arms.

The pattern has absolutely no upper or lower size limits, it is completely customized for you using a few of your unique body measurements.

Hygge Me Close was designed as a pattern donation to the wonderful folks at Fibre Forward. It is and will always be a free download for everyone.



## swanky emu knits design philosophy



I've had to modify *every single* garment I've ever knitted for myself. I know plenty of people who look like me, but my body is larger or differently proportioned than most knitting patterns seem to call for.

I create size-inclusive instructions to ensure my patterns work effortlessly for absolutely every body size and shape, *no matter what*.

And I build this *into* the framework of the design rather than add it later.

Everyone deserves to wear something that is both tailored to their shape and that makes them look and feel amazing.



## Physical items needed:

- Two US size 10.5 circular needles (or size needed to make gauge)
  - Note: if you only have 1 needle of this size, or are using interchangeable needles, you can make this work. You'll just have to do some extra transferring around on and off stitch holders.
- US 10 double pointed needles (1 size smaller than your circular) to knit the arms and neck
- Stitch holders (optional)
- Stitch markers
- 1 blunt darning needle
- Tape measure (and probably a friend) to take several measurements of yourself
  
- Bulky weight yarn (bulky weight can also be achieved by holding two strands of thinner yarn together)
  - As so many pieces of this sweater are customizable to your measurements, yardage can vary. However, use the following chart as a guide. The amounts below are for a sweater that is 18 inches (45 cm) from underarm to hem. Although measurements are listed every 4 inches (10 cm), this was done only to conserve space. Absolutely every bust/chest measurement, in half-inch increments, is available in the pattern!



<b>Your actual bust measurement in inches (cm)</b>	<b>Yarn Required in yards (meters)</b>
30 inches (75 cm)	510 yards (465 meters)
34 (85)	600 (550)
38 (95)	700 (640)
42 (105)	775 (710)
46 (115)	850 (780)
50 (125)	975 (890)
54 (135)	1050 (960)
58 (145)	1140 (1040)
62 (155)	1230 (1125)
66 (165)	1320 (1210)
70 (175)	1410 (1290)

Yardage for a gauge swatch is not included in the estimates above.

If you're using two strands held together, you will need the yardage listed for each yarn.





### Gauge:

To ensure good fit, a fairly precise gauge is important for this project. No need to swatch in the round, however, a flat gauge swatch will work fine.

14 stitches and 16 rows = 4 inches (10 cm) in blocked stockinette stitch

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### Spreadsheet info and access instructions:

This pattern uses a corresponding spreadsheet (Microsoft Excel, Google Sheets, etc.) to handle all pattern calculations and detailed instructions. To download the spreadsheet, go to

<https://www.swankyemuknits.com/hyggemeclose>

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### Metaphysical items needed (aka, techniques used):

- *Knitting in the round*
  - *Long-tail cast on*
  - *Binding off*
  - *Picking up and knitting stitches*
  - *Three-needle bind off*
  - *Basic cabling from a chart or written instructions*
  
  - *Decreasing on the Right Side (RS)*, holding your work so that the flat, knit stitches are facing you. Most decreases tend to be done on the RS only.
    - *Slip Slip Knit (SSK)*
  - *Knit Two Together (K2tog)*
  - *Decreasing on the Wrong Side (WS)*, holding your work so the bumpy, purl stitches are facing you. It's slightly less common to decrease on the WS, but these will look identical to the decreases above when looking at the RS of your sweater.
    - *Slip Slip Purl (SSP)*
    - *Purl Two Together (P2tog)*
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## Garment Ease, Fit, and Customization:

Hygge Me Close is written for 4 inches (10 cm) of positive ease across the widest part of your upper torso. It's boxy and slightly oversized by design, and includes no bust or waist shaping by default, however these could be easily added if desired.

If a slightly looser ease than pictured is desired, add 1 to 4 additional inches (2.5 to 10 cm) to *measurement A* and subtract  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 inches (1.25 to 5 cm) from *measurement F*. If adding ease, it is not recommended to add any to *measurements B, C, D* or *G* unless you wish to alter the silhouette of that portion of the sweater.



Lindsay used the standard ease for the pattern, knit her Hygge to a 14" (35 cm) length and a crew neck.



I also used the standard ease for the pattern for my sweater, knit to an 18" (45 cm) length, and cast off after reaching a mock-turtleneck length neck.



Heather's sweater has subtracted 4 inches (10 cm) from measurement A for a slightly more fitted bust area and her narrower shoulders. Knit to an 18" (45 cm) length with a higher turtleneck and 2.5" (6 cm) added to measurement F.



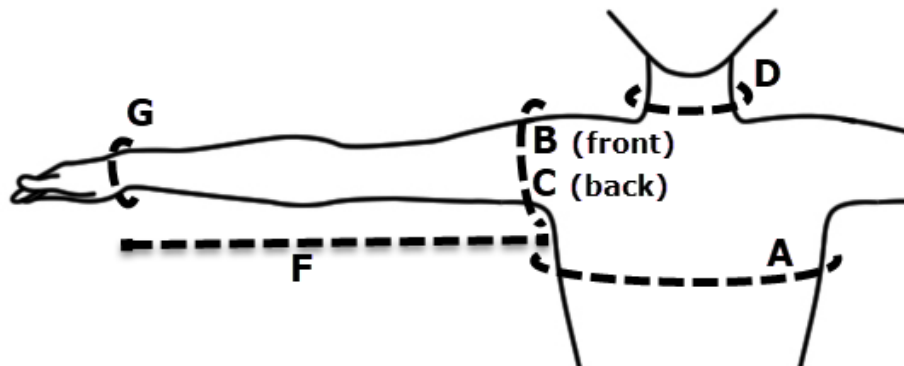
Melissa opted for a 14" (35 cm) cropped length, slightly longer arms and a slightly wider neck by adding 1-2" (2.5-5 cm) to measurements F and D.

## Personal Body Measurements:

To take measurements, wear a close-fitting top (or no top!), any undergarments you'd wear under the final finished sweater, and don't pull the tape measure too tightly.

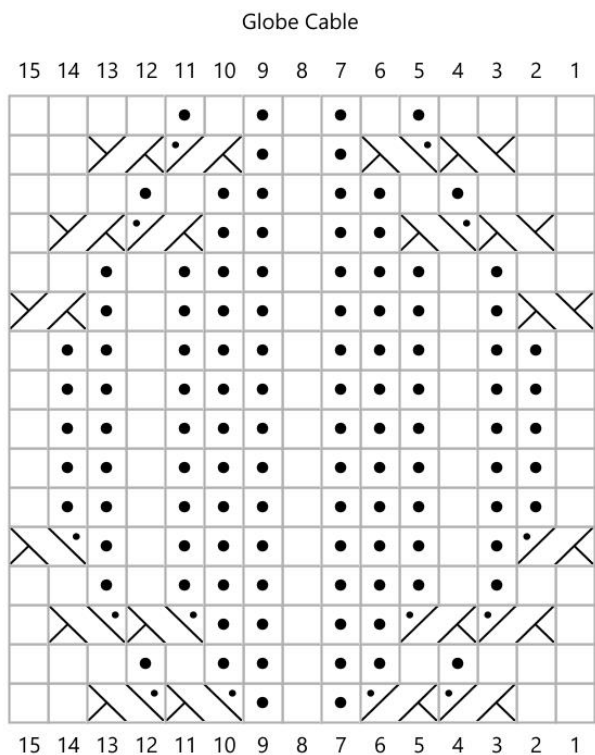
Measurements B and C will be the same on many people but they can differ.

Record measurements to the nearest half inch *or* whole centimeter **in your spreadsheet**. Take care to choose the inches or centimeter tab on the spreadsheet, depending on which measurement you prefer.

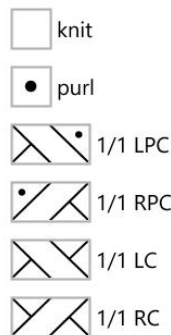


- A = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** bust/chest circumference (the widest part of your upper body)
- B = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** armhole depth, top of shoulder to bottom of underarm (front)
- C = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** armhole depth, top of shoulder to bottom of underarm (back)
- D = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** neck circumference
- E = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** desired length, underarm to hem (measure a favorite sweater or t-shirt to get a rough idea of what length you would like, then use the chart on your spreadsheet to choose the closest corresponding length)
- F = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** underarm to wrist length
- G = \_\_\_\_\_ inches or cm** wrist circumference

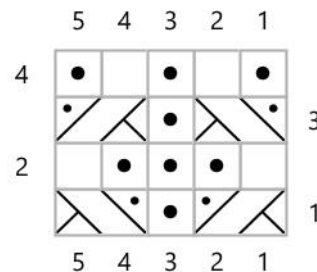




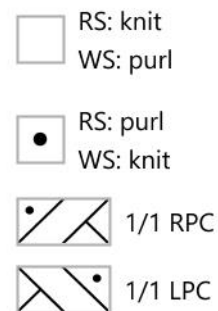
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Mini Globe



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**Stitch Glossary**

- 1/1 LC : Slip next stitch to cable needle and place at front of work, k1, then k1 from cable needle.
- 1/1 LPC : Slip next stitch to cable needle and place at front of work, p1, then k1 from cable needle.
- 1/1 RC : Slip next stitch to cable needle and place at back of work, k1, then k1 from cable needle.
- 1/1 RPC : Slip next stitch to cable needle and place at back of work, k1, then p1 from cable needle.

**Globe Cable:**

- Round 1: K2, 1/1 RPC x 2, p1, k1, p1, 1/1 LPC x 2, k2. (15 sts)
- Round 2: K3, p1, (k1, p2) x 2, k1, p1, k3.
- Round 3: K1, 1/1 RPC x 2, p2, k1, p2, 1/1 LPC x 2, k1.
- Round 4: K2, p1, (k1, p3) x 2, k1, p1, k2.
- Round 5: 1/1 RPC, p1, (k1, p3) x 2, k1, p1, 1/1 LPC.
- Rounds 6 - 10: K1, p2, (k1, p3) x 2, k1, p2, k1.
- Round 11: 1/1 LC, p1, (k1, p3) x 2, k1, p1, 1/1 RC.
- Round 12: Repeat round 4.
- Round 13: K1, 1/1 LC, 1/1 LPC, p2, k1, p2, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 RC, k1.
- Round 14: Repeat round 2.
- Round 15: K2, 1/1 LC, 1/1 LPC, p1, k1, p1, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 RC, k2.
- Round 16: K4, (p1, k1) x 3, p1, k4.

**Mini Globe:**

- Row 1 (RS): 1/1 RPC, p1, 1/1 LPC. (5 sts)
- Row 2 (WS): P1, k3, p1.
- Row 3 (RS): 1/1 LPC, p1, 1/1 RPC.
- Row 4 (WS): (K1, p1) x 2, k1.



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## General construction

The sweater is knit from the bottom up, beginning in the round and splitting in half at the underarm to work the top front and back halves flat. Once both top halves are complete, the shoulders are joined together using a three-needle bind off. Stitches are picked up around each armhole to form the sleeves. Each edge of each top side will contain an extra selvedge stitch used for this stitch pickup.

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*From this point until blocking and finishing, use the spreadsheet pattern instructions.*

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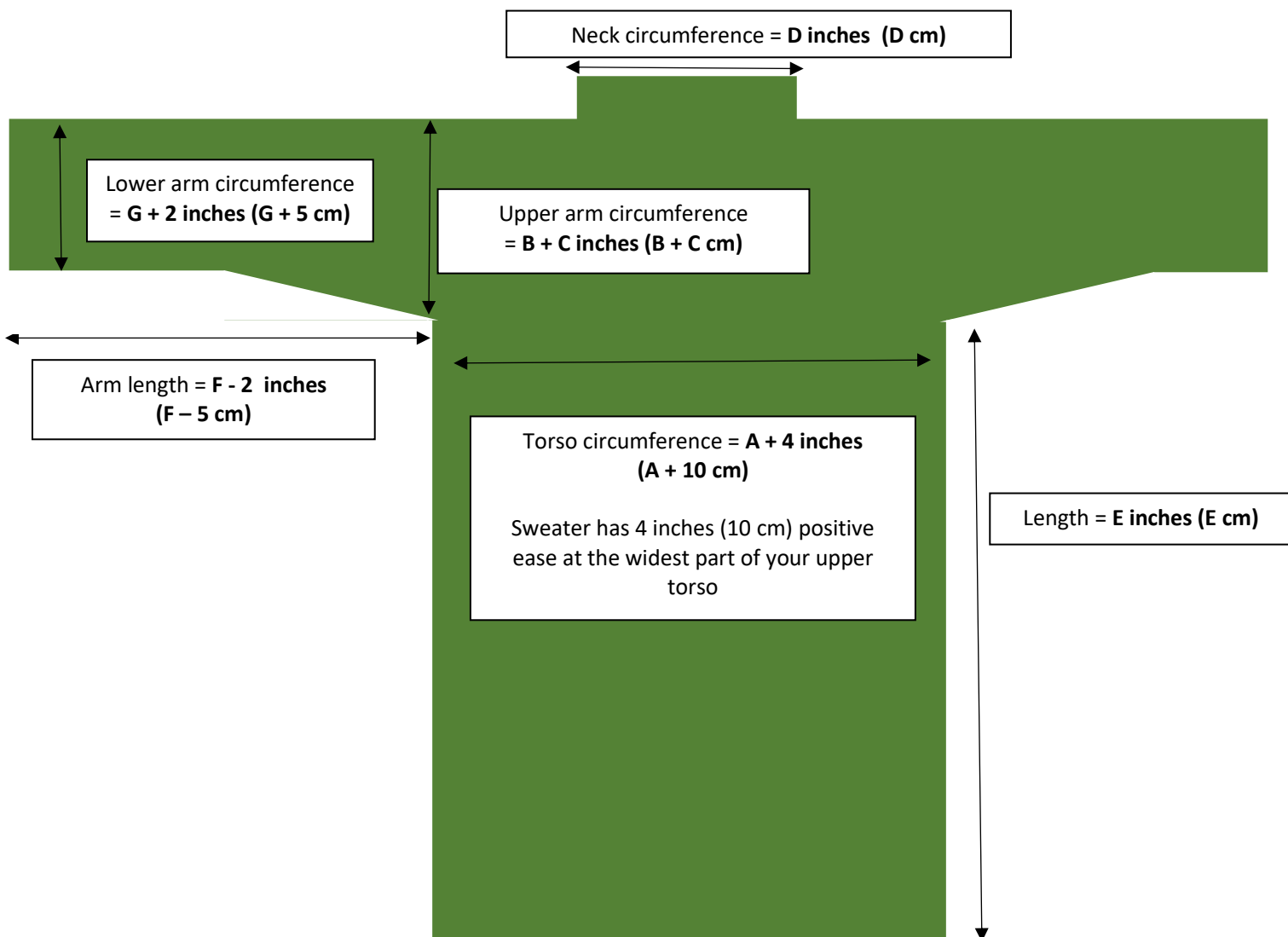
## Blocking and Finishing

Soak the sweater in warm water and a little wool wash (optional). Remove and gently squeeze out excess water, using as many towels as needed. Pin flat to your sweater's dimensions (see below) and let dry. Take care to keep the center of the large globe cable centered as your side "seam" on the body of the sweater.

Weave in ends.

Wear often and enthusiastically!

### Finished Garment Size:





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community accessible to all.

Endless thanks to my wife, Heather, for being my favorite photographer and sweater  
model. I'm jealous that Hygge Me Close looks even better on you than on me.

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**Please reach out to me with any questions or to share your projects!**

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