

TUNISIAN STAR STITCH CARDIGAN

MLA DESIGN 5/19/2022

this cardigan was adapted from
TUNISIAN STITCH CROCHET SWEATER
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SUPPLIES

YARN

FLIKKA BY LIONBRAND

#3 LIGHT 50% COTTON/50% POLYESTER

3.5 OZ/100 GRAM /196 YARDS/179 METER BALLS

AMOUNT OF YARN NEEDED

S =5 BALLS; M=5 BALLS; L =6 BALLS;

XL =6 BALLS; XXL =7 BALLS

LB FLIKKA WT #3

(can also be made in #4 yarn weight with 6mm tunisian hook)

BUTTONS

7 (1/3 ")

HOOK

5.5 MM /I TUNISIAN HOOK (smaller crochet hook-
4mm- is

suggested for star pattern trim as the larger hook
makes for the TUNISIAN STAR STITCH

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Y LIONBRAND (can also be made in #4 yarn
weight with 6mm tunisian hook)

LB FLIKKA YARN WT # 3



ACRYLIC YARN T #4



NOTES

(4mm Hook is suggested for star pattern trim as the larger hook makes
very loose stars)(The LB Flikka cardi was made with a 5mm hook for the stars, the spaces
were too large, so I sewed them in smaller)

GAUGE

16 TUNISIAN KNIT STS = 4 INCHES WIDE

14 TKS ROWS = 4 INCHES

HDC & 5 STARS = 4 INCHES

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FINISHED BUST SIZES

SMALL=36 "; MEDIUM = 40 "; LARGE – 44 "; XL = 48 "; XXL =52 "

FINISHED LENGTH

S =23 ½ "; M = 24 "; L =24 ½ "; XL =25 ¼ "; XXL =25 ½ "

PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

RAGLAN, TOP DOWN

1. BEGIN WITH SC FOUNDATION CHAIN S(87), M (95), L (95), XL (95)

2. STAR ROW (2 ROW STAR PATTERN) with crochet hook

size: S (40 STARS), M (44 STARS), L (44 STARS), XL (44 STARS)

a) ON RIGHT SIDE DRAW UP A LOOP IN BACK LOOPS OF 3RD CH FROM HOOK (2 SKIPPED CH COUNT AS FIRST HDC) AND IN NEXT 3 CH, YARN OVER AND DRAW THROUGH

ALL 5 LOOPS ON HOOK, CH 1 TO CLOSE FIRST STAR, * DRAW UP A LOOP IN EYE OF STAR JUST MADE, DRAW UP A LOOP IN BACK LOOP OF LAST LOOP OF SAME STAR, DRAW UP A LOOP IN BACK LOOPS OF NEXT 2 CH, YARN OVER AND DRAW THROUGH ALL 5 LOOPS ON HOOK, CH 1 (STAR ST MADE) * REPEAT * * ACROSS, HDC IN LAST CH, TURN

b) WITH RIGHT SIDE FACING PLACE A MARKER IN THE EYE OF THE FOLLOWING STARS: FROM END TO END (THIS IS OPEN FRONT)

SMALL (5TH, 10TH, 20TH, 25TH, 30TH, 35TH

YOU ARE MARKING :

FRONT L & R SHOULDER, BACK L & R SHOULDER AND L & R FRONT EDGES (THE ENDS OF THE CH)

THIS FORMS THE RAGLAN SHAPING OF THE NECKLINE

M-L-XL = 44 STARS MARK (7TH, 14TH, 28TH, 35TH AND THE 2 END STARS)

WORKING ON WRONG SIDE ch 2

3 hdc in eye of 1 st star, 2 hdc in eye of each star before marker, 3 hdc in of next 2 stars (3 times), 2 hdc in eye of each star to last star, 3 hdc in eye of last star; hdc in beg ch 2; turn

3. WITH TUNISIAN HOOK

SKIP 1ST HDC, DRAW UP LOOP IN EACH HDC

YO DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP, * YO DRAW THROUGH 2 * REPEAT UNTIL 1 LOOP

REMAINS. S (92 STS) , M-L-XL (100 STS)

MARK STS : S (14TH, FRONT SH; 16TH, BACK SHOULDER; 28TH, BACK SHOULDER; 16TH, FRONT SHOULDER) [28 ST SECTIONS ARE FRONT AND BACK, 16 ST SECTIONS ARE SHOULDERS]

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BACK

4. INCREASE TKS OVER **ROWS 4-9**

- INC IN ST BEFORE MARKER
- TKS IN MARKED ST
- INC IN ST AFTER MARKER
- FINISH RETURN PASS

STITCHES PER SIZE

S (140 ST)

M-L-XL (148 ST)

BACK:

S (40 ST),

M-L-XL (44)

SLEEVE: all sizes(28)

FRONTS:

S(20 ST)

M-L-XL (22 ST)

NOTE:

*WORKING IN ROWS

**ALTERNATE ROWS OF TK AND TP ON FORWARD PASS FOR KNT LOOK

5. CHANGE TO CROCHET HOOK

ROWS 10-11 STAR PATTERN

BEGIN WITH CH2, DRAW UP LOOP IN BACK LOOP OF 2ND CH, DRAW UP LOOP IN FIRST
3

VERTICAL BARS, YO AND DRAW THROUGH ALL 5 LOOPS ON HOOK, CH 1

1ST STAR MADE

* DRAW UP A LOOP IN EYE OF PREVIOUS STAR, DRAW UP A LOOP IN BACK LOOP OF
LAST

LOOP OF SAME STAR, DRAW UP A LOOP IN NEXT 2 STS, YO, AND DRAW THROUGH ALL
5

LOOPS ON HOOK, CH1, REPEAT FROM * TO LAST ST, HDC IN LAST ST, TURN

S (69 STARS), M-L-XL (73 STARS)

WITH RIGHT SIDE FACING, PLACE 3 MARKERS , IN STAR ROW 10, ABOVE EACH PAIR OF
INCREASES OF ROW 9, CLOSE TO THE INC (THEY MAY NOT LINE UP WITH INC)

11. ROW AFTER STARS, WRONG SIDE

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CH 2, * 2HDC IN EACH EYE TO NEXT MARKED STAR,
3 HDC IN EYE OF NEXT 2 STARS * 3 TIMES
2 HDC IN EACH EYE TO LAST EYE, HDC IN TOP OF BEG CH 2, TURN
S (148 HDC), M-L-XL (156 HDC)

12. CHANGE TO TUNISIAN HOOK REPEAT ROW 3

S (148 ST), M-L-XL (156 ST)

WITH RIGHT SIDE FACING, PLACE MARKERS

13-18. REPEAT ROW 4 (INC TKNS) 6 TIMES

S (196 ST), M-L- XL (58 ST)

SLEEVES : ALL SIZES (42 ST) FOR EACH SLEEVE

BACK : S (54), M-L-XL (58)

FRONTS: S (27), M-L-XL (29)

not counting 1 st st and marked sts at the end of row 18

19. RIGHT SIDE , REPEAT STAR ROW 10.

S (97 STARS), M-L-XL (101 STARS)

WITH RIGHT SIDE FACING, PLACE MARKERS IN THE STAR OF ROW 19, ABOVE EACH PAIR OF INCREASES OF ROW 18

20. WRONG SIDE, REPEAT ROW11

S (204 HDC), M-L-XL (212 HDC)

REMOVE MARKERS AND CHANGE TO TUNISIAN HOOK

21. RIGHT SIDE, REPEAT ROW 3, PLACE MARKERS

22-32. REPEAT ROW 4 (INC TKN ST) S(5), M (7), L (9), XL (13) TIMES

S (244STS), M (268 STS), L (284 ST), XL (300 STS)

EACH SLEEVE: S (54), M (58), L (62), XL (66)

BACK: S (66), M (74), L (78), XL (82)

FRONTS: S (33), M(37), L (39), XL (41)

***STITCH COUNT DOES NOT COUNT 1ST AND MARKED STS AT THE END OF LAST ROW**

FORM ARMHOLES

(try on cardi, as this step might make the armholes too large; if F & B fit comfortably together under arms, skip this step and join F & B together)

DROP LOOP FROM HOOK(or just fnd ch & join to other side-Front or Back), DO NOT FASTEN OFF, PUT ON ST HOLDER

RIGHT SIDE FACING, JOIN A NEW STRAND OF YARN IN 1ST ST and foundation sc chain:

S-M (CH 4), L (CH 8), XL (CH 12), SKIP SLEEVE STS TO 1ST MARKED ST AND JOIN CH FASTEN OFF.

REPEAT FOR 2ND ARMHOLE

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SC FOUNDATION CH MAY BE USED INSTEAD OF CH
FASTEN OFF.

BODY

RETURN DROPPED LOOP TO TUNISIAN HOOK

1. FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR, DRAW UP A LOOP IN EACH ST, AND BACK LOOP OF EACH CH
RETURN PASS

YO, DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP, * YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * REPEAT UNTIL 1
LOOP REMAINS ON HOOK

S (144 ST), M (160 ST), L (176 ST), XL (192 ST)

2. FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR TKN ST ACROSS

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP, YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS UNTIL ONLY 1
LOOP REMAINS ON HOOK

REPEAT UNTIL BODY PIECE MEASURES ABOUT 11 INCHES FROM UNDERARM

INC EVERY OTHER ROW 4 TIMES (48 ROWS)

OR UNTIL DESIRED LENGTH AND WIDTH

SLEEVES (MAKE 2)

WITH TUNISIAN HOOK

RIGHT SIDE FACING, JOIN YARN TO 1ST UNDERARM CH

1. FORWARD PASS

DRAW UP A LOOP BACK LOOP OF EACH UNDERARM CH

TKN ST IN EACH SKIPPED SLEEVE ST

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP

* YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * REPEAT UNTIL 1 LOOP REMAINS ON HOOK

S (58), M (62), L (70), XL (78) STS

2-3. ROWS FOR S-M-L [2. FOR XL]

FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR, TKN ST IN EACH ST ACROSS

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP

* YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * REPEAT UNTIL ONLY 1 LOOP REMAINS

DECREASE ROW (I suggest not decreasing, as dec makes tight sleeves that do not
stretch)

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FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR, TKN ST IN EACH ACROSS

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS (DEC REASE MADE)

* YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * REPEAT UNTIL 3 LOOPS REMAIN ON HOOK

(YO AND DRAW THROUGH ALL 3 LOOPS -DECREASE MADE)

S (56), M (60), L (68), XL (76) STS

3-4-5 (ROWS FOR S-M-L)

3-4 (ROWS FOR XL)

FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR, TKN ST IN EACH ST ACROSS

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP

* YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * UNTIL 1 LOOP REMAINS ON HOOK

REPEAT LAST 4 ROWS (S-M-L), LAST 3 ROWS FOR (XL),

BEGIN WITH DECREASE ROW: S (11 TIMES), M (13 TIMES), L (15 TIMES), XL (19 TIMES)

S (34 STS), M (34 ST), L (38 STS), XL (38 STS)

NEXT ROW

FORWARD PASS

SKIP 1ST VERTICAL BAR, TKN ST IN EACH ST ACROSS

RETURN PASS

YO AND DRAW THROUGH 1 LOOP.

* YO AND DRAW THROUGH 2 LOOPS * REPEAT UNTIL 1 LOOP REMAINS ON HOOK

REPEAT LAST ROW UNTIL DESIRED LENGTH; FINISH WITH RIBBING

FOR LOOSER SLEEVES, FOLLOW XL INSTRUCTIONS

FINISHING

1.SEW TOGETHER

2.EDGING

4 ROWS OF TUNISIAN RIBBING ALL AROUND: * 2 TK, 2 TP * (or your choice of ribbing)
(tunisian ribbing tends to slant rather than be straight)

3. MAKE BUTTON HOLES ON LEFT SIDE SEW BUTTONS ON RIGHT

4. MAKE TUNISIAN KNIT POCKETS & SEW IN PLACE,

as in photos, a 3 row tkn ribbing was made around pocket edges after a top 1 ½ " tkn heading was made.