

# Flair — Alternative Sleeve Shaping

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**Current Sleeve Shaping:** Join for working in the rnd. Work around Sleeve in St st for 14 rnds. Beg of next rnd: K1, k2tog, work to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1. 52 (56, 58, 66, 74, 78, 86) sts. Rep Sleeve shaping rnd an additional 1 time on the foll 7th rnd. 50 (54, 56, 64, 72, 76, 84) sts.

**ALTERNATIVE SHAPING:** Depending upon the size you are knitting and personal preference, you may want more “flair” in your sleeves. If that is the case, instead of: “K1, k2tog, work to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1,” Work increases instead, as follows: K1, m1, work to 1 st before marker, m1, k1. Rep shaping rnd an add'l 1 time on the following 7<sup>th</sup> round. 58 (62, 64, 72, 80, 84, 92) sts. Continue working sleeves as directed.

## SIZES

XS (S, M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X)

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

32 (36, 40, 44, 48, 52, 56)” chest

## YARN

Blue Sky Alpacas, Inc. Blue Sky Cotton (100% Cotton; 150 yards / 100 grams): 5 (5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 9) hanks #621, Espresso

## NEEDLES

One or two 30-inch or longer circular (circ) needles, size 7 (4.5mm)

One set double point needles, size 7 (4.5 mm) (optional)

Change needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge

## NOTIONS

Stitch markers

Five 1-inch buttons

Four ¾-inch or 1 inch buttons for inside of coat

One ¼-inch button for inside neck loop closure (optional)

Scrap yarn

Tapestry needle

Thread

Fantastic fur collar (optional and only if it is truly fantastic and looks effortless)

## GAUGE

18 sts and 22 rows = 4” (10 cm) in Stockinette Stitch (St st)

## DIFFICULTY

Beginner pattern—you’ll increase, knit and purl and do a few yarn overs and knit two together. That’s pretty much it.