

Dutch dress



During the soccer World Championship tournament in South Africa a Dutch brewer had a stroke of genius. Instead of offering T-shirts and other items aimed at men, they offered a hot mini dress with a crate of beer

Within only a few days their beer was sold out in Dutch super markets.

The dress has two A-sides. One side has a high neck, the other side has a V-neck, so you can choose which side is the front and which side is the back

- Cast on 30 stitches
- Rows 1-2; rib (knit 1 st., purl 1st.)

Continue in stocking stitch

- Row 3; knit
- Row 4; P6, P2TOG, P14, P2TOG, P6 (28 st.)
- Rows 5-7; stocking stitch (start with a knit row)
- Row 8; P6, P2TOG, P12, P2TOG, P6 (26 st.)
- Rows 9-11; stocking stitch (start with a knit row)
- Row 12; P4, P2TOG, P2TOG, P10, P2TOG, P2TOG, P4 (22 st.)
- Rows 13-15; stocking stitch (start with a knit row)
- Row 16; P3, P2TOG, P2TOG, P8, P2TOG, P2TOG, P3 (18 st.)
- Rows 17-18; stocking stitch (start with a knit row)
- Row 19; K4, KFB1, K8, KFB1, K4 (20 st.)
- Row 20; purl
- Row 21; K4, KFB2, K8, KFB2, K4 (24 st.)
- Row 22; purl
- Row 23; K5, KFB2, K10, KFB2, K5 (28 st.)
- Row 24; purl

Now the stitches are divided into three portions of 7, 14 and 7 stitches respectively in order to create the armholes. You first finish the first half of the back by knitting only the first 7 stitches. After that you finish the front of the dress by working the middle 14 stitches and then you finish the other half of the back.

- Row 25 – first 7 stitches; slip 1 stitch, K1, pass the slipped stitch over the knitted stitch, K5, turn round
- Row 26-30; stocking stitch, starting with a purl row. Start each knit row by slipping 1 stitch, knitting one stitch and passing the slipped stitch over the knitted stitch. This creates the V-neck
- Cast off
- Row 25-30 – middle 14 stitches; stocking stitch (start with a knit row)
- Cast off
- Row 25 -30;
- Row 25-30 – last 7 stitches; stocking stitch (start with a knit row). Start each purl row by slipping one stitch, purling 1 and then passing the slipped stitch over the purled one. This creates the other side of the V-neck
- Cast off

Making up

- Turn the dress inside out and work the shoulder seams
- Now close the row ends creating the back seam. Do not close it all the way up to the neck, as the last 6 rows form the V-neck
- Cut 30 cm of blue, white and red wool and weave them through the stitches about 10 rows from the hem, plait the row ends, tie a knot in the plait and cut off ends