



KNITNOTES Help Contents

Knitnotes is a Windows application you can use to create or edit sweater patterns.

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KNITNOTES **How to use Knitnotes**

This program is for the knowledgeable knitter:

You use this program to calculate a pattern that you designed.

You can adapt a pattern you already have and want to substitute your yarn or measurements for theirs.

The Cut/Knit neckline requires knowledge of cut/knit neckline style construction.

Panel length and sleeve length are calculated without the ribbing.

Do NOT include ribbing in you measurements.

The pre-programmed necklines are average neck depths for crew style necklines. You can use them with minor adjustments to suit your style, whether you need a Crew or V-Neck.



KNITNOTES **Entering pattern information**

Information is entered in inches. Each box tells you what measurements are required. Use the TAB key or mouse to navigate the boxes.

MACHINE or HAND knit option.

This option checks to see if there are enough needles on your machine to knit to gauge.

The machine selection defaults to a standard number of 200 needles when clicked.

You can change that to match your machine. If your sweater will not fit, you will be warned.

If you are using your ribber for 'U' style knitting, click on the hand knitting feature or increase the number of maximum needles.

TENSION

For your information only. They are not used for calculations.

GAUGE

You must make an entry based on stitches and rows per inch or centimeter.

DESIGN and YARN

This is for information.

FOR

This is for your information. The pre-programmed sizes will enter WOMEN or MEN.

You can substitute another name.

STYLE and NECKLINE

You must choose from the menu options.

SIZES

You can choose from pre-programmed or enter your own. The size has no effect on what can be entered in the measurement boxes. The largest size that can be used to draw the schematics is 50 regardless of the sweater width. If no size is entered you will be warned. They are needed to draw the schematics



KNITNOTES Viewing Pattern and Schematics

The View screen displays your pattern in an outline form.

It details the number of stitches and rows required for knitting each piece of your chosen design. It shows the style and size of the pattern you chose.

Click on Draw to display the schematics.

The schematic drawing displays the front and back of the sweater appearing as one.

The front and back necklines show if you have chosen any.

For a vest the sleeves will not draw and for sleeves only, the sweater body will not draw.



KNITNOTES Printing your pattern

There are 3 printing options:

PATTERN:

Prints the pattern in an easy to read outline.

DRAWING:

Prints only the schematics and not the pattern information

SCREEN:

Prints the pattern and drawing exactly as you see it on the screen.



KNITNOTES File menu

NEW:

Removes all information currently entered on the screen.

SAVE PATTERN:

Saves the pattern currently on the screen and stores it in the Pattern File.

The information saved is the sweater style, sleeve style, neckline style, size, measurements, the gauge, yarn and design used. It does not save the tension or knitting technique.

You will be asked to enter a name for your pattern. The save option will allow you to save patterns with like names. To avoid confusion do not duplicate pattern names. You may enter any name or number.

DELETE PATTERN:

Deletes the pattern selected from the Pattern File. Choose the pattern from the list of patterns in your file that you want to remove

You then click on delete pattern. The selected pattern and all information will be removed from your file. Be sure to select a pattern before you click the delete. It will always delete the pattern in the top of the pattern list.

DELETE ALL:

Deletes all the patterns in the Pattern File.

EXIT:

Closes Knitnotes and returns you to Windows.

You will not be asked to save the pattern on the screen, so if you want to keep the data, choose Save Pattern first. If you are using a previously saved pattern and have made no changes, you do not need to save again.



KNITNOTES Styles menu

This selection is required for calculations, and can only be selected from the menu. If no entry is made you will be warned.

PULLOVER/CARDIGAN:

This a complete sweater and sleeves. It is not necessary to enter a front width for a cardigan. The calculations will do the figuring for you.

VEST:

This is a front and back panel.

SLEEVES ONLY

Sleeves can be added to a vest or if you have a pattern that you would like to alter the sleeve length or width.



KNITNOTES Necklines menu

This selection is required for calculations and must be chosen from the menu. If no selection is made you will be warned. This choice is not required when you are calculating sleeves only.

CUT/KNIT:

The neckline must be cut to your desired style using your favorite cut/knit method. There is no knit shaping.

This choice can also be used for a boat neck sweater.

CREW:

You can enter neckline depth and width to suit your style.

Depth is limited to 8 inches or 20 cms.

V-NECK:

You can enter neckline depth and width to suit your style.

Depth must be greater than 4 inches or 10 cms.



KNITNOTES Sizes menu

The basic sizes can be edited by highlighting and typing a new measurement.

WOMEN:

Sizes are from 32 to 50 with 4" bustline ease.

MEN:

Sizes are from 34 to 50 with 4" ease.



KNITNOTES Calculate menu

Calculates your pattern after all the required information has been entered.
When you calculate the View/Print menu option becomes available.



KNITNOTES **View/Print menu**

The pattern and schematics are displayed to view or print.
You can return to the main screen to edit information. When you return, you must click the calculate option before you return to the view screen.

