

GANSEY HERRING

The fish is knitted in the round, starting with a provisional cast on just above the tail, and finishing at the head. The tail is knitted flat afterwards. If you want to put a little stuffing in your fish, this should be done before you knit the tail.

Why not create your own fish using a different Gansev motif!

MATERIALS and MEASUREMENTS

■ YARN

Approx. 20g of 5-ply Guernsey or any DK weight

■ NEEDLES

For 5-ply Guernsey, either 1 set of 3mm or finer dpns or a short circular needle

For a DK weight, 3.25mm dpns or circular needle.

■ FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

In 5-ply Guernsey, the total finished length is approx. 28cm (11ins).



CONSTRUCTION

■ BODY

Provisional Cast On: Cast on 14 sts in waste yarn and then join main yarn to knit from round 1 of the chart. Place markers, if desired, before the 1st and 8th sts.

Knit the 82 rows of the chart, and then finish the two sts left at the nose by threading yarn through them, and pulling the yarn inside the body.

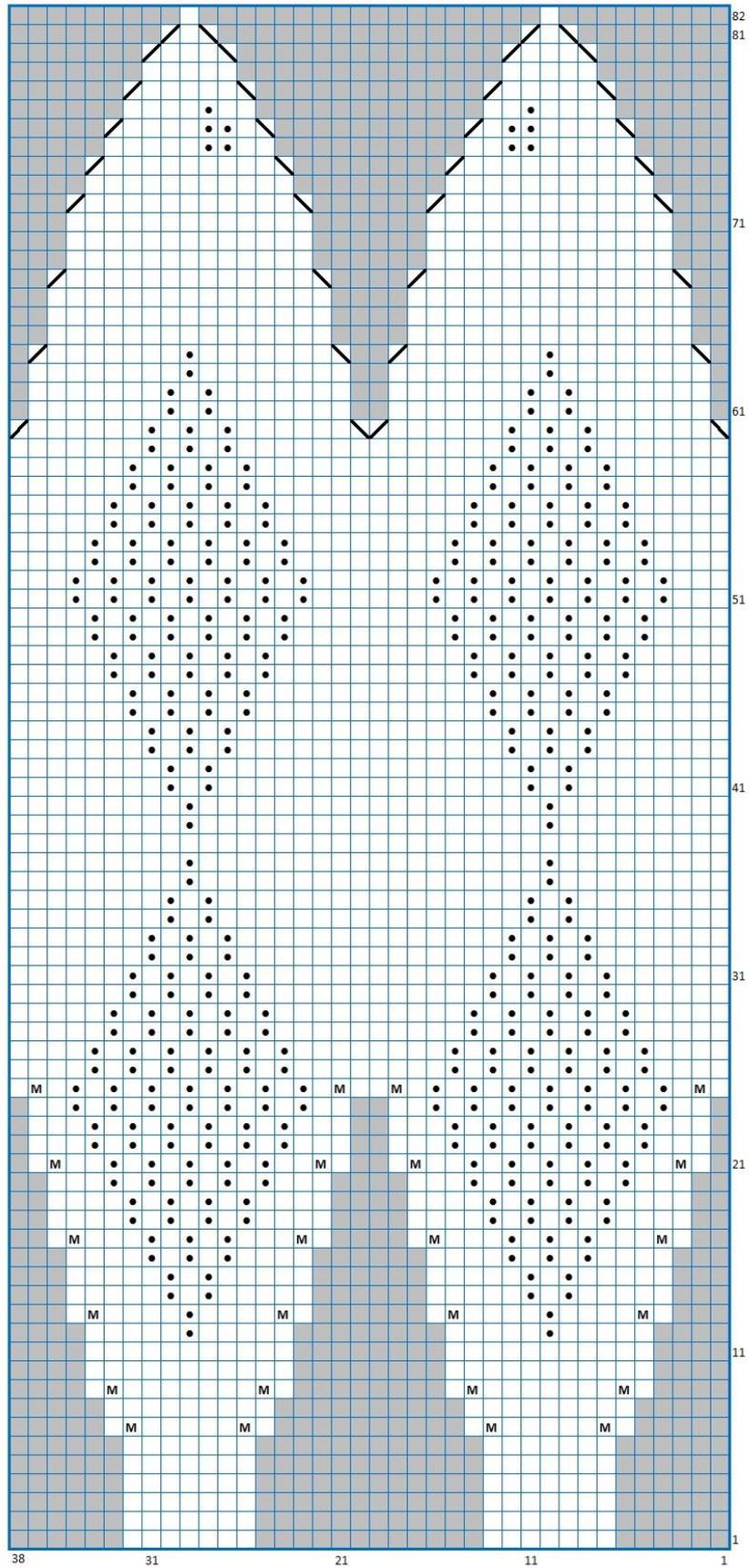
■ TAIL (Many thanks to Anita Bruce for her pattern!)

Retrieve the original 14 cast on sts and put each set of 7 sts on 2 parallel needles. Work across these sts as follows: K1 from each needle together, P1 from each needle together, repeat to end – 7sts of K1, P1 rib. Work tail on these sts as follows:

Row 1	Rib as set
Row 2	Rib 3, M1, P1, M1, Rib 3
Row 3	(and all odd rows) Rib as set incorporating new sts.
Row 4	Rib 4, M1, P1, M1, Rib 4
Row 6	Rib 5, M1, P1, M1, Rib 5
Row 8	Rib 6, M1, P1, M1, Rib 6
Row 10	Rib 7, cast off 1, rib 7.

Continue on these 7 sts as follows: Dec 1 st at inner edge of each row until 3 sts left. Cast off 3 sts and leave 60cm of yarn to work second part of tail. Thread this carefully down to remaining 7 sts and work decreases as set for 1st side. Finish off all ends neatly.

■ CHART



Legend

- Knit
- Purl
- M Make 1 st*
- Knit 2 together
- Slip 1, knit 1, pass slip st over
- No Stitch

* Make 1 st. With the tip of LH needle, pick up loop between last st and next, from back to front, and knit it.