

Release Schedule:

5/30 – Project Sheet and FAQ

6/6 – Practice Swatch 1

6/13 – Practice Swatch 2

June 20 & 27 – Clues 1-2

July – Clues 3, 4, 5, & 6

August – Clues 7, 8, 9, 10, & 11

September – Clues 12, 13, 14 & 15

October – Clues 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20

November – Clues 21, 22, 23 & 24



Planning your project

The 2021 Geek-A-Long sweater has been years in the making! I have 24 amazing weeks of double-knit goodness in store, but more than any other Geek-A-Long project this one will take some planning before you get started. The first step is to read the 2021 Geek-A-Long FAQ on Lattes & Llamas. The information below will help you gather up the materials needed to cast on when the first clue drops on June 20th!

Yarn Requirements

Details about color choices are in the FAQ, but it is strongly recommended that you choose three solid colors with extremely strong contrast. I used white (main color), black (contrast color 1) and red (contrast color 2). Optional embellishments are added using duplicate stitch after knitting is complete and used 10g or less each of pink, blue, green, yellow, and purple. The yarn needed for both practice swatches **IS** included in the yardage listed below.

Recommended Yarn: Lattes & Llamas <u>Geek-A-Long Yarn</u> (100 grams/ 328 yards). Sample is knit with Baskerville (Cream) as MC, Palpatine (Black) as CC1, and Burning Love (red) as CC2.

•	MC (White)		CC1 (black)		CC2 (red)	
Size	grams	yards	grams	yards	grams	yards
1	300	984	330	1082	95	312
2	330	1082	365	1197	105	344
3	360	1181	405	1328	120	394
4	415	1361	450	1476	130	426
5	450	1476	500	1640	145	476
6	495	1624	560	1837	160	525
7	550	1804	620	2034	180	590
8	605	1984	685	2247	200	656
9	665	2181	750	2460	220	722
10	730	2394	825	2706	240	787
11	800	2624	910	2985	265	869
12	880	2886	1000	3280	290	951
13	965	3165	1100	3608	320	1050
14	1060	3477	1210	3969	350	1148
15	1165	3821	1330	4362	385	1263

Needles & Notions

The 60" needles listed below are optional but recommended. Even on smaller sizes, there are a lot of stitches on your needles once you start the yoke, and the longer needles make working those rows much more comfortable.

- Needles:

- o US4 / 3.5 mm 40" -and- 60" circular needles
- o US3 / 3.25mm 40" circular needles

NOTE: Sleeves will be worked in the round and can be worked in magic loop (recommended) or on DPNs. If you prefer to work your sleeves on DPNs, you will need DPNs in both US3 and 4.



- Stitch Markers: The pattern makes regular use of stitch markers, and they will be essential to keeping track of your double-knit rows. You will want to have 16 stitch markers available to you, and tracking things will be simplest if you have multiple sets of four markers. For example, four purple markers, four green markers, etc... That's not essential, any stitch markers (or even small loops of waste yarn) will do the job, but it will make things easier for you when working the yoke.
- **Cable Holder -or- DPNs**: for holding stitches while working decreases. A double pointed needle (DPN) is recommended. You will need two of either the holders or the DPNs. If you use DPNs, choose a size that is one or more sizes smaller than your smaller knitting needles. Example: If your smallest needles are US3, the DPNs for decreases should be US1 or US2.
- **Optional Zipper.** This double-knit cardigan is worked without buttonholes. It can be worn open or with a sewn-on zipper (added after the full sweater is complete). I recommend waiting until you are close to done with your sweater to make this choice.

Gauge & Sizing

Please take the time to carefully check your gauge. The practice swatches that will be released ahead of the first clue are intended to both check gauge and practice new stitches. Adjust your needle size as needed to meet gauge.

Gauge: 24 sts and 34 rounds = 4" in double knitting. Gauge should be taken on a blocked swatch!

Sizing: 1(2, 3, 4, 5) 6(7, 8, 9, 10) 11(12, 13, 14, 15) = 30(33, 36, 38, 40)" 42(45, 48, 50, 53)" 56(58, 61, 64, 67)" bust. Note that these measurements are on the final blocked sweater and reflect the actual measurements of the sweater. You should account for your desired amount of ease when choosing a size. The On Board Sweater was designed to be worn with positive ease and if you are between sizes I recommend sizing up rather than down.

All measurements are shown here in inches and are the final blocked length or circumference. Note that the

pattern includes instructions for adding length to the sleeves or body if desired.

Size	Upper Arm	Bust	Body Length (hem to underarm)	Sleeve Length (cuff to underarm)
1	12	30	18	16
2	12.5	33	18	16
3	13	36	18	16
4	14	38	18	16
5	14.5	40	18	16
6	15	42	19	17
7	16	45	19	17
8	17	48	19	17
9	17.5	50	19	17
10	18	53	19	17
11	18.5	56	20	18
12	19	58	20	18
13	20	61	20	18
14	20.5	64	20	18
15	21	67	20	18



Child's Play Charity

The Geek-A-Long (GAL) supports Child's Play Charity, which provides games and consoles to children in hospitals and domestic violence shelters. The sample blanket and/or sweater made by Lattes & Llamas is auctioned off at the annual Child's Play Charity gala in December each year. Additionally, GAL participants donate to CP Charity throughout the year via our <u>sanctioned widget</u>. There is no required donation, but we encourage you to donate a few dollars in lieu of paying for this pattern. No donation is too small!

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