

Little Flirt Skirt  
From Casual Elegant Knits



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# LITTLE FLIRT SKIRT

**Skill Level:** Intermediate



## SIZE

**To Fit Women's Size:** XS (S, M, L, 1X, 2X)

**Finished Waist (Excluding Elastic):**  
27¾ (29¼, 32, 34¾, 37½, 40¼)"

**Finished Hip:** 38¼ (40, 44, 48, 52, 56)"

**Finished Length:** 22½ (23, 23½, 24, 24½, 25)"

## MATERIALS

**Yarn:** 3 (4, 4, 5, 5, 6) skeins of Cascade 220 (100% Peruvian Highland wool; 100 g/3.5 oz; 220 yds), color 8555

**Needles:** US 5 (3.75 mm), US 7 (4.5 mm), US 8 (5 mm), US 9 (5.5 mm), and US 10 (6 mm) circular (24" to 29"), or sizes required to obtain gauge

**Notions:**

1¼ yards of 1"-wide nonrolling elastic for waistband

Stitch marker

Tapestry needle

In a busy city life, this skirt can add flirt to your daytime or evening wear. The straight body with flirty pleats at the bottom makes this skirt slimming and flattering for most figure types. The elastic waistband allows for a custom fit. Because it's knit in the round in simple stitch patterns, it's an easy project to knit. This skirt will quickly become a wardrobe favorite.

## GAUGE

All gauges are given for knitting in the round.

16 sts and 22 rows = 4" in 7 x 6 ribbing (slightly stretched), using size 10 needles

18 sts and 26 rows = 4" in St st (in the round), using size 8 needles

23 sts and 28 rows = 4" in 1 x 1 ribbing (slightly stretched), using size 5 needles

## STITCH PATTERNS

### Stockinette Stitch (in the round)

Knit every rnd.

### 7 x 6 Ribbing

(Multiple of 13 sts)

**All rnds:** \*K7, P6; rep from \* to end of rnd.

### 1 x 1 Ribbing

(Even number of sts)

**All rnds:** \*K1, P1; rep from \* to end of rnd.

## PLEATS

Using size 10 needle, CO 247 (260, 286, 312, 338, 364) sts. PM, join into rnd, taking care not to twist CO row.

**Rnds 1 and 3:** Knit.

**Rnds 2 and 4:** Purl.

Work 7 x 6 ribbing as follows:

**Rnds 5–15:** \*K7, P6; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 16:** \*K7, P2, P2tog, P2; rep from \* to end of rnd—228 (240, 264, 288, 312, 336) sts.

**Rnds 17–20:** \*K7, P5; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 21:** \*K7, P2, P2tog, P1; rep from \* to end of rnd—209 (220, 242, 264, 286, 308) sts.

**Rnds 22–27:** \*K7, P4; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 28:** \*K7, P1, P2tog, P1; rep from \* to end of rnd—190 (200, 220, 240, 260, 280) sts.

**Rnds 29–34:** \*K7, P3; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 35:** \*K7, P1, P2tog; rep from \* to end of rnd—171 (180, 198, 216, 234, 252) sts.

**Rnds 36–44:** \*K7, P2; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**For size XS only:**

Inc 1 st on the last rnd—172 sts.

## EYELET BORDER

Change to size 9 needle.

**Rnds 1, 3, 5, and 7:** Purl.

**Rnds 2 and 6:** Knit.

**Rnd 4:** \*YO, K2tog; rep from \* to end of rnd.

## SKIRT BODY

Work in St st for 3 (3, 3, 4, 4, 4)".

Change to size 8 needle and cont in St st until skirt measures 20 (20½, 21, 21½, 22, 22½)".

Change to size 7 needle.

**For sizes S, M, L only:**

Knit 7 rnds.

**For sizes 1X and 2X only:**

**Dec rnd:** K2tog, K115 (124), K2tog, K115 (124)—232 (250) sts.

Knit 6 rnds.

**For all sizes:**

**Dec rnd:** \*K41 (43, 31, 25, 27, 23), K2tog; rep from \* to end of rnd—168 (176, 192, 208, 224, 240) sts.

## WAISTBAND

Change to size 5 needle.

Work 1 x 1 ribbing as follows:

**Rnds 1–9:** \*K1, P1; rep from \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 10 (turning rnd):** Purl.

**Rnds 11–15:** Knit.

**Rnd 16 (dec rnd):** \*K19 (20, 22, 24, 26, 28), K2tog; rep from \* to end of rnd—160 (168, 184, 200, 216, 232) sts.

**Rnds 17 and 18:** Knit.

BO all sts.

## FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Block skirt, using method 1 on page 93.

**Waistband:** Cut elastic 1½" less than actual waist measurement.

Fold waistband along turning rnd to inside of skirt and stitch bind-off edge to rnd 1, leaving 1" opening. Insert elastic; sew ends together securely. Stitch opening and block waistband again.

