



PATTERN COLLECTION

Women



Midnight Top

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DIFFICULTLY

Easy

SIZES

Extra Small (Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X)

Shown in Small size with approx. 3" of positive ease.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 30½ (34, 38½, 42½, 46, 50½, 54½, 58, 62¾)"

Length: 21½ (22, 22½, 23½, 24, 24½, 25½, 26, 26½)"

MATERIALS

[Universal Yarn Cotton Supreme DK](#) (100% Cotton; 100g/230 yds)

- 718 Black (A) - 3 (4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7) hanks

[Rozetti Yarns Cotton Gold](#) (65% cotton, 8% metallic, 27% payette; 100g/230 yds)

- 1097 Black with Silver Sequins (B) - 4 (4, 5, 5, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8) skeins

Needles: US Size 6 (4 mm) straight (or preferred needle for knitting flat) or size needed to obtain gauge

Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch markers (optional), stitch holders or waste yarn, crochet hook (for attaching fringe)

GAUGE

20 sts x 21 rows = 4" in Columns patt
Save time check your gauge.

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PATTERN NOTES

The Midnight Top is a glamorous piece that reminds us of glimmering stars dancing in the sky on a warm summer night. Cotton Supreme DK and Cotton Gold are held together throughout the pattern to create just the right amount of sparkle. This versatile piece easily transitions from day to night – wear it as a swim cover-up, casual top, or with an evening dress for a bit of elegance. Additional touches including exposed seams and fringed hemline make this piece even more special.

This top is knit flat in pieces and seamed. The shoulders are joined with the three-needle bind-off. Yarns A & B are held together as one throughout. Fringe is applied to the hem during finishing.

This top uses a very stretchy stitch pattern that makes it perfect for layering and multi-wear options. Please choose a size approx 0-3" greater than your natural bust measurement.

STITCH GUIDE

Columns

(multiple of 3 sts)

Row 1 (RS): * Yo, p1, k2tog; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): * P1, k1, p1; rep from * to end.

PATTERN BEGINS

FRONT

With larger ndl, and holding both A & B together as one, cast on 78 (87, 99, 108, 117, 129, 138, 147, 159) sts.

Hem

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 (WS): Knit.

Rep Rows 1-2, one more time.

Establish Pattern

Row 1 (RS): P1, k3, pm, work Row 1 of Columns patt to last 5 sts, pm, k4, p1.

Row 2 (WS): Knit to m, sl m, work Row 2 of Columns patt to m, sl m, knit to end.

Cont as est'd in columns patt until piece meas approx 13 (13, 13, 13½, 13½, 13½, 14, 14, 14)" from cast-on edge, ending with a WS Row.

Shape Armhole

Bind off 1 st at the beg of the next 2 rows – 76 (85, 97, 106, 115, 127, 136, 145, 157) sts rem.

Cont working even as est'd in Columns patt until piece meas approx 2½ (3, 3½, 4, 4½, 5, 5½, 6, 6½)" from armhole bind off, ending with a WS Row.

Shape Neck

Note: Maintain Columns patt as est'd as much as possible throughout neck shaping. If you don't have enough sts to work yarn overs and corresponding decreases, work these sts in St st instead.

Next Row (RS): Cont as est'd over 37 (41, 47, 52, 56, 62, 67, 71, 77) Left Front sts, bind off center 2 (3, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2, 3, 3) sts, cont as est'd over 37 (41, 47, 52, 56, 62, 67, 71, 77) Right Front sts to end. Place Left Front sts on holder or waste yarn.

Right Front

Working rows as outlined below, work a Dec Row every row, 2 (0, 2, 4, 4, 4, 6, 6, 6) times, then work a Dec Row every 2 rows, 12 (13, 12, 11, 11, 11, 10, 10, 10) times – 14 (13, 14, 15, 15, 15, 16, 16, 16) sts dec'd, 23 (28, 33, 37, 41, 47, 51, 55, 61) sts rem.

Dec Row (WS): Cont as est'd to last 3 sts, ssp, p1 – 1 st dec'd.

Dec Row (RS): K1, ssk, cont as est'd to end – 1 st dec'd.

Even Row (WS): Cont as est'd to end.

After all decreases are complete, cont even as est'd in Columns patt until piece meas 8½ (9, 9½, 10, 10½, 11, 11½, 12, 12½)" from underarm bind-off. Place sts on holder or waste yarn and return Left Front sts to ndl.

Left Front

Working rows as outlined below, work a Dec Row every row, 2 (0, 2, 4, 4, 4, 6, 6, 6) times, then work a Dec Row every 2 rows, 12 (13, 12, 11, 11, 11, 10, 10, 10) times – 14 (13, 14, 15, 15, 15, 16, 16, 16) sts dec'd, 23 (28, 32, 37, 41, 47, 51, 55, 61) sts rem.

Dec Row (WS): P1, p2tog, cont as est'd to end – 1 st dec'd.

Dec Row (RS): Cont as est'd to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 1 st dec'd.

Even Row (WS): Cont as est'd to end.

After all decreases are complete, cont even as est'd in Columns patt until piece meas 8½ (9, 9½, 10, 10½, 11, 11½, 12, 12½)" from underarm bind-off. Place sts on holder or waste yarn.

BACK

Work as for Front.

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FINISHING

Gently wash and block pieces to finished measurements. Weave in ends. With RS facing together, join Left Front and Left Back shoulders using the Three-Needle Bind-Off. Rep for Right Front and Right Back Shoulders. Turn work so that WS is facing. Using mattress stitch, sew side seams. This creates a tidy visible seam on the outside of the work.

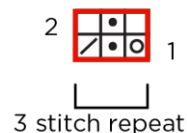
Fringe

Cut 208 (232, 264, 288, 312, 344, 368, 392, 424) pieces of each A & B. Using crochet hook and holding 2 strands of each A & B together as one group, attach fringe evenly around hemline, approx 1 group every $\frac{2}{3}$ " with one group aligned with each side seam.

Abbreviations

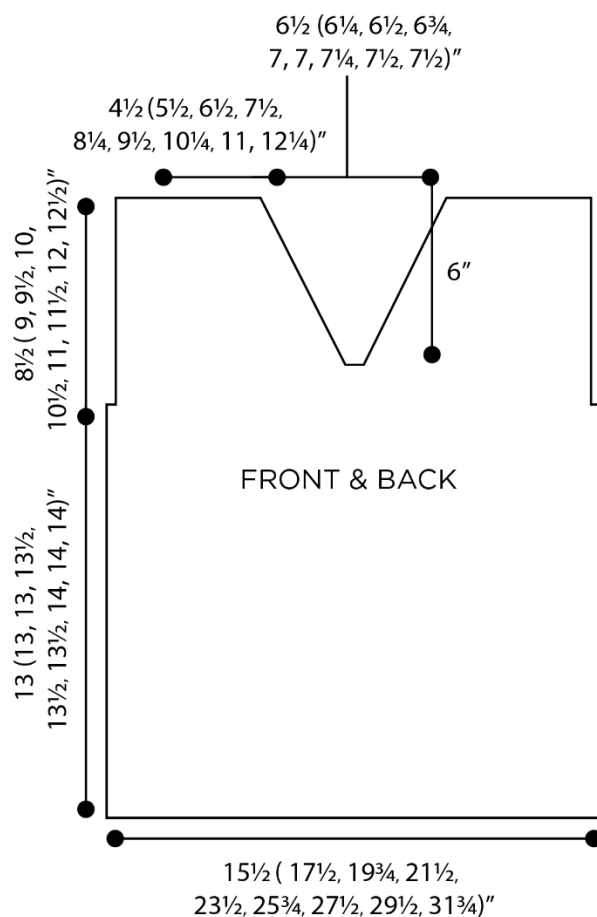
approx	approximately
beg	begin(ning)
cont	continue
dec('d)	decrease(d)
est'd	established
folll	follow
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together (1 st dec'd)
m	marker
meas	measures
ndl	needle
p	purl
p2tog	purl 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
patt	pattern
rem	remain(ing)
rep	repeat
RS	right side
sl	slip
ssk	slip next 2 sts individually knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, knit them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)
ssp	slip next 2 sts individually knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, purl them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side
yo	yarn over

Columns



Key

	pattern repeat
	knit on RS, purl on WS
	purl on RS, knit on WS
	yo
	k2tog



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