

# Vasca

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MANOS DEL URUGUAY

## SIZES

Circumference: 21"

Height: 7"

## MATERIALS

Manos del Uruguay SERENA (60% baby alpaca, 40% pima cotton; approx 50 g/170 yds), 1 sk in each color A, B and C.

Shown in #S2302 English (A), #S2590 Natural (B) and #S2334 Mineral (C)

US #2/2.75mm; 24" circular needle and set of 2 double pointed (dpns), or size needed to obtain gauge

US D-3/3.25mm crochet hook

waste yarn

stitch holder or waste yarn

tapestry needle

Three 1 ¼" toggle buttons

## GAUGE

24 sts and 69 rows = 4" in brioche stitch

## NOTES

Carry unused colors loosely up the sides; they will be hidden with applied I-Cord.

Circular needle is used to accommodate large number of sts.

Do not join; work back and forth in rows.

## ABBREVIATIONS

beg: begin(ning)

brk (brioche knit): knit the slipped st and yo from previous row as 1 st

brp (brioche purl): purl the slipped st and yo from previous row as 1 st

dpn(s): double pointed needle(s)

k: knit

LH: left hand

meas: measure(s)

ndl(s): needle(s)

RH: right hand

sl: slip

ssk: slip 2 stitches, 1 at a time, knitwise to the right needle.

Return stitches to the left needle in turned position then knit them together through the back loops

st(s): stitch(es)

yf-sl l-yo: bring yarn to the front of ndl, sl 1 st purlwise, yo

yo: yarn over

## STITCH GUIDE

*Crochet chain (ch)*

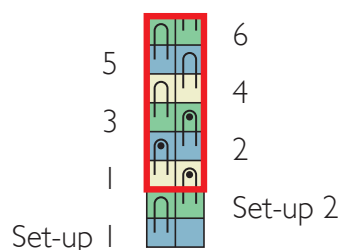
\*wrap yarn around crochet hook and draw it through the loop on the hook to form the first chain; repeat from \* as many times as instructed. (The loop on the hook is never included when counting the number of chains)

*Applied I-Cord*

Row 1: K2, ssk using last st of row plus 1 picked up (but not knitted) st from fabric edge, sl 3 sts back to LH ndl.

Repeat Row 1 for pattern.

## BRIOCHE CHART



□ knit on RS, purl on WS

◼ purl on RS, knit on WS

◻ yf-sl l-yo

◻ brk on RS, brp on WS

◻ brp on RS, brk on WS

■ color A

■ color B

■ color C

◻ place marker (optional)

### *I-Cord*

Row 1: K3, sl 3 sts back to LH ndl.

Repeat Row 1 for pattern.

Brioche Pattern: (worked in rows; multiple of 2 stitches)

(also, see chart)

Set-up Row 1: (WS) With color C, \*yf-sl l-yo, p l; repeat from \* to end.

Set-up Row 2: With color A, \*yf-sl l-yo, brk; repeat from \* to end.

Rows 1 and 4: With color B, \*yf-sl l-yo, brk; repeat from \* to end.

Rows 2 and 5: With color C, \*yf-sl l-yo, brp; repeat from \* to end.

Rows 3 and 6: With color A, \*yf-sl l-yo, brk, repeat from \* to end.

Repeat rows 1–6 for pattern.

### *Kitchener Stitch*

Step 1: Bring threaded tapestry needle through first stitch on front needle as if to purl and leave stitch on needle.

Step 2: Bring threaded tapestry needle through first stitch on back needle as if to knit and leave stitch on needle.

Step 3: Bring threaded tapestry needle through first stitch on front needle as if to knit and slip this stitch off needle, then bring tapestry needle through next stitch on front needle as if to purl and leave stitch on needle.

Step 4: Bring threaded tapestry needle through first stitch on back needle as if to purl and slip this stitch off needle, then bring tapestry needle through next stitch on back needle as if to knit and leave stitch on needle.

Repeat Steps 3 and 4 until no stitches remain on needles.

### *INSTRUCTIONS*

#### *BOTTOM EDGE*

With waste yarn and crochet hook, ch5. Fasten off.

With color A and dpn, pick up and knit 3 sts into the back bumps of crochet chain.

Work I-Cord for 128 rows.

Put 3 sts on st holder or waste yarn. Break yarn.





## BODY

With color B and circular ndl, beg 1 row from held sts, pick up and knit 126 sts along I-Cord, making sure to follow the same column of knit sts. Do not join; work back and forth in rows.

Work in Brioche Pattern until piece meas 7" from the I-Cord edge, ending after a WS row.

Break yarn and set aside.

## BUTTONHOLE BAND

Return 3 held sts from I-Cord onto a dpn, rejoin color A and work 2 rows of I-Cord.

\*Working up the side of the body, work applied I-Cord for  $2\frac{1}{3}$ " then work I-Cord for 1"; repeat from \* 2 more times. (Regular I-Cord sections create buttonhole loops)

Work applied I-Cord to next corner; then work 2 rows of regular I-Cord.

## TOP EDGE

Work applied I-Cord across the top of the body using the live sts as the picked-up sts.

At the corner, work 2 rows of regular I-Cord.

## BUTTON BAND

Work applied I-Cord down the left side of the body.

Work 1 row of regular I-Cord.

Cut yarn leaving a 7" tail.

Carefully unzip the crochet chain, placing 3 live sts onto a spare dpn.

Use the kitchener stitch to graft the sts from the crochet chain with the live sts from the button band.

## FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Block lightly if desired.

Sew buttons opposite buttonholes.

