Changing Lanes Top

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This drapey top is knit from the bottom up, with alternating bands of stockinette and garter stitch. A slip stitch between the bands creates a faux seam to further delineate the separation of the bands. Easy enough for the newest of knitters and interesting enough for the most advanced, this top is a great transition piece from Summer to Fall.

YARN & NEEDLES
US 7 (4.5 mm) size 36" circular

Once Upon a Corgi Polworth/Silk
(85% Polworth, 15% Silk)
Colorway: Warm and Cozy
2 skeins (700 yards)

GAUGE
20 stitches x 28 rows = 4"
gauge in stockinette stitch on US 7 needles

FINISHED SIZES
S/M (M/L)
Chest Circumference: 42" (44")
Meant to be worn with positive ease.

ADDITIONAL NOTIONS
Tapestry needle
Scrap yarn

SKILL LEVEL
Beginner

TERMS & ABBREVIATIONS

k - knit	sl1wyib - slip 1 stitch purl wise with yarn in back
p - purl	sl1wyif - slip 1 stitch purl wise with yarn in front
pm - place marker	m - marker

PATTERN

WORK GARMENT BODY

Cast on 182 (186) stitches on US 7 needles.

Place a marker for beginning of round, and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist stitches.

Knit 90 (92) stitches, place marker, knit 1, place marker, knit 90 (92) stitches, place marker, k1.

Knit 3 rows, slipping the markers as you come to them.

*Row 1: K to m, slip m, s1wyib, slip m, bring yarn to front, p to next m, slip m, sl1wyib, slip m.

Row 2: Knit to end of row

Repeat these last two rows four more times.

Row 1: P to m, slip m, s1wyib, slip m, k to next m, slip m, sl1wyib, slip m.

Row 2: Knit to end of row.

Repeat last two rows four more times.*

Repeat from * to * three more times.

Then work:

Row 1: K to m, slip m, s1wyib, slip m, bring yarn to front, p to next m, slip m, sl1wyib, slip m.

Row 2: K to end of row.

Repeat these last two rows four more times.

SEPARATE FOR FRONT AND BACK

Slip 46 stitches purl-wise, from left needle to the right needle. Place next 93 stitches (including stitch between the markers) on hold for the back.

With wrong side of garment facing you, rejoin your yarn.

*(WS): k to m, slip m, sl1wyif, sl m. P to last stitch, sl1wyif.

(RS): K to last stitch, sl1wyif.

Repeat these last two rows four more times.

(WS): k1, p to m, sl1wyif, k to last stitch, sl1wyif.

(RS): k to last stitch, sl1wyif.

Repeat last two rows four more times.*

Repeat from * to * one more time. Cut yarn. Place front stitches on hold.

Place the back stitches on the needle. With right side facing, join yarn.

*(RS): k1, p to m, sl1wyif, k to last stitch, sl1wyif.

(WS): k to last stitch, slipping markers as you come to them, sl1wyif.

Repeat these last two rows four more times.

(RS): k to m, sl1wyif, p to last stitch, sl1wyif.

(WS): k to last stitch, slipping markers as you come to them, sl1wyif.

Repeat these last two rows four more times.*

Repeat from * to * one more time.

BIND OFF SHOULDERS

Place the previously held stitches for the front on your needles, and with wrong sides together, using the 3 needle bind off, join together 23 (25) stitches (46 (50) total -- 23 (25) for the front, and 23 (25) for the back of the garment) for the left shoulder.

Cut your yarn and pull through. Be sure to leave enough of a tail to graft together any gaps between the neck band and the shoulder.

Rejoin the yarn to work the right shoulder, using the 3 needle bind off, join together 23 (25) stitches (46 (50) total -- 23 (25) for the front, and 23 (25) for the back of the garment) for the right shoulder.

Cut your yarn and pull through. Be sure to leave enough of a tail to graft together any gaps between the neck band and the shoulder.

WORK THE NECKBAND

Place your remaining stitches on a circular needle, removing all markers other than the beginning of round marker. Join yarn to work in the round.

Knit three rounds, then bind off loosely.

Weave in your ends and block to size:

S/M chest circumference is 42" (106.6 cm)
M/L chest circumference is 44" (111.7 cm)

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