

DIFFICULTY •••

Instructions

Tension: 24 sts and 33 rows to 10cm over stocking st, using 3.75mm needles. **Back:** Using 3.75mm straight needles, cast on 116 (126-141) sts. Beg patt

1st row: * K3, yfwd, K2tog, rep from * to last st, K1. **2nd row:** P1, * K2, yfwd, K2tog, P1, rep from * to end. Last 2 rows form patt. Work a further 26 rows patt. Working in stocking st for rem, cont until work measures 32cm from beg, ending with a purl row.

Shape Armholes: Cast off 7 (9-10) sts at beg of next 2 rows ... 102 (108-121) sts. Dec one st at each end of next row, then every alt row until 88 (92-101) sts rem. Work a further 51 (53-53) rows stocking st.

Shape Shoulders: Cast off 9 (9-10) sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 8 (9-10) sts at beg of next 2 rows. Leave rem 36 (38-41) sts on stitch holder.

Left front: Using 3.75mm needles, cast on 56 (61-71) sts. Beg patt - Work 28 rows patt as for Back. Working in stocking st for rem, cont until work measures same as Back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with a purl row.

Shape Armhole: Cast off 7 (9-10) sts at beg of next row ... 49 (52-61) sts. Dec one st at armhole edge in every alt row until 42 (44-51) sts rem. Work 1 row.

Shape Front Slope: Dec one st at end of next row, then every alt row until 35 (36-35) sts rem, then in every 4th row until 26 (27-30) sts rem. Work 1 row.

Shape Shoulder: Cast off 9 (9-10) sts at beg of next and alt row. Work 1 row. Cast off rem 8 (9-10) sts.

Right front: Using 3.75mm needles, cast on 56 (61-71) sts. Beg patt - Work 28 rows patt as for Back. Working in stocking st for rem, cont until work measures same as Back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with a purl row. Work 1 row.

Shape Armhole: Cast off 7 (9-10) sts at beg of next row ... 49 (52-61) sts. Dec one st at armhole edge in next row, then in every alt row until 42 (44-51) sts rem. Work 1 row.

Shape Front Slope: Dec one st at beg of next row, then every alt row until 35 (36-35) sts rem, then in every 4th row until 26 (27-30) sts rem. Work 2 rows.

Shape Shoulder: Cast off 9 (9-10) sts at beg of next and alt row. Work 1 row. Cast off rem 8 (9-10) sts.

Sleeves: Using 3.75mm needles, cast on 71 (76-81) sts. Beg patt: Work 10 rows patt as for Back. Working extra sts into patt, work a further 18 rows patt, AT SAME TIME inc one st at each end of next row and foll 12th row 75 (80-85) sts.

Working rem in stocking st, inc one st at each endof 9th (5th-3rd) row, then every 14th (10th-8th) row until there are 85 (94-103) sts. Cont without shaping until work measures 32 cm (or length desired) from beg, ending with a purl row.

Shape Top: Cast off 4 (5-5) sts at beg of next 2 rows 77 (84-93) sts. Dec one st at each end of next row, then every alt row until 35 (40-53) sts rem, then every row until 17 (18-19) sts rem. Cast off.

Edging: Join shoulder seams. With right side facing, using 3.75mm circular needle (to accommodate large number of sts), beg at lower edge of right front, knit up 94 (96-100) sts along right front straight edge, knit up 39 (41-41) sts along right front slope shaping, knit across sts from back neck stitch holder, knit up 39 (41-41) sts along left front slope shaping, then knit up 94 (96-100) sts along left front straight edge 302 (312-323) sts. Knit 1 row. Cast off loosely knitways.

Finishing: Join side and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves. Attach hook and eye at beg of front slope shaping if desired. Sew in all ends.