

# Crafter's Cardigan

INTERMEDIATE KNIT

This is a really creative garment shape that can be a cardigan, bolero, cape or scarf. It is made in two pieces; a left piece and a right piece which become the fronts, backs and sleeve openings. The cast on is at the centre fronts worked in a rib stitch, and worked sideways, which are joined at the centre back, which also becomes part of the back neckline. The sleeve openings are a continuation of the left and right pieces where the knitting is split and shaped so that the openings are nicely contoured; and this is where the cast off occurs, which are joined to close the sleeve openings. Changing colours is done by twisting the threads around each other on the wrong side of the knitting.

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

ONE SIZE	
Bust Circumference	120cm
Length of Fronts	60cm

## **YARN REQUIRED**

## Makr SOFT & LUXE Yarn 100g balls

C1: Collagen Grey	5
C2: Blush Pink	1
C3: Semillon Yellow	1
C4: Ruby	1
C5: Sapphire	1

NOTE: This pattern is written in British English. All measurements in charts and instructions are in cm. For conversion from centimetres to inches please divide by 2.5cm. Please be aware that there are different terms for crocheting and knitting in American and British English, if in doubt, we've included a list of common abbreviations.

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

#### **DIFFICULTY** •••

## **NEEDLES AND EQUIPMENT:**

5.5mm straight needles for centre front bands. 7mm straight needles for rest of garment. Wool needle for sewing in ends.

#### **TENSION:**

7mm: 22sts x 19rows in k1/p1 rib = 10cm x 10cm

#### KNITTING ABBREVIATION:

K knit

k3tog knit 3 stitches together (right leaning decrease)

P purl St(s) stitch(es)

Sssk slip 3 sts knitwise (one at a time), and then all 3 sts

knitted together through the back of loop. This decreases 2 sts, as a left leaning decrease.

#### **CARDIGAN PATTERN**

#### **LEFT SIDE - FRONT OPENING.**

Working sideways across the body, first a rib band is worked in a smaller size needle:

Cast on 140st with 5.5mm and C1.

K1/p1 for 12 rows.

Change to 6mm needles and continue working in rib (K1/P1).

Row 13: (RS) Join C2, and work rib for 10 st, change to C1 and work 130 sts. (Change/twist yarn in back on needle)

Row 14: C1 128 sts, C2 12 sts.

Row 15: C2 14 sts, C1 126 sts.

Row 16: C3 2 sts, C1 122 sts, C2 16 sts (this is WS, change/ twist yarn in front of needle)

Row 17: C2 18 sts, C1 118 sts, C3 4 sts.

Row 19: C3 6 sts, C1 114 sts, C2 20 sts.

Row 20: C2 22 sts, C1 110 sts, C3 8 sts.

Row 21: C3 10 ts, C1 106 sts, C2 24 sts.

Row 22: C2 26 sts, C1 102 sts, C3 12 sts.

Row 23: C3 14 sts, C1 98 sts, C2 28 sts.

Row 24: C4 10 sts, C2 24 sts, C1 90 sts, C3 16 sts.

Row 25: C3 18 sts, C1 84 sts, C3 26 sts, C4 12 sts.

Row 26: C4 14 sts, C3 26 sts, C1 80 sts, C3 20 sts.	Row 64: C5 50 sts, C1 50 sts, C4 40 sts.
Row 27: C3 22 sts, C1 74 sts, C3 28 sts, C4 16 sts.	Row 65: C4 36 sts, C1 56 sts, C5 48 sts
Row 28: C4 18 sts, C3 28 sts, C1 70 sts, C3 24 sts.	Row 66: C5 46 sts, C1 62 sts, C4 32 sts.
Row 29: C3 26 sts, C1 64 sts, C2 30 sts, C4 20 sts.	Row 67: C4 28 sts, C1 70 sts. C5 42 sts.
Row 30: C4 22 sts, C2 30 sts, C1 60 sts, C3 28 sts.	Row 68: C5 40 sts, C1 76 sts, C4 24 sts.
Row 31: C3 30 sts, C1 54 sts, C2 32 sts, C4 24 sts.	Row 69: C5 20sts, C1 82 sts, C5 38 sts
Row 32: C4 26 sts, C2 32 sts, C1 50 sts, C3 32 sts.	Row 70: C5 36 sts, C1 88 sts, C4 16 sts.
Row 33: C3 34 sts, C1 44 sts, C2 34 sts, C4 28 sts.	Row 71: C4 12 sts, C1 94 sts, C5 34 sts.
Row 34: C4 30 sts, C2 34 sts, C1 40 sts, C3 36 sts.	Row 72: C5 32 sts, C1 100 sts, C4 8 sts.
Row 35: C3 38sts, C1 34 sts, C2 36 sts, C4 32 sts.	SHAPE ARMHOLES
Row 36: C4 34sts, C2 34 sts, C1 32 sts, C3 38 sts.	Row 73: C1 k cast off 6 sts, resume rib pattern C1 104 sts, C5 29 sts.
Row 37: C3 42 sts, C1 28 sts, C2 34 sts, C4 36 sts.	
Row 38: C4 38 sts, C2 34 sts, C1 24 sts, C3 44 sts.	Row 74: C5 k cast off 6 sts, then resume rib pattern for 21 sts, C1 107 sts. (128 sts)
Row 39: C3 46 sts, C1 18 sts, C2 36 sts, C4 40 sts	Row 75: C1 – k1, p1, sssk (so you'll be knitting 3 sts together as a left leaning decrease) continue rib st, p1/k1 for 106 sts,
Row 40: C4 42 sts, C2 36 sts, C1 14 sts, C3 48 sts.	C4 work rib to last 5 sts. P3tog, k1, p1. (124 sts)
Row 41: C3 50 sts, C1 8 sts, C2 38 sts, C4 44 sts.	Row 76: C4 11sts, C1 113sts.
Row 42: C4 46 sts, C2 38 sts, C1 4 sts, C3 52 sts.	Row 77: C1 k1, p1, sssk, cont rib (p1/k1) 112 sts, C4 p1,k1, p3tog, k1,p1. (120 sts)
Row 43: C3 54 sts, C2 38 sts, C4 48 sts.	Row 78: C1 rib pattern whole row.
Row 44: C4 50 sts.C2 34 sts, C3 56 sts.	SPLIT KNITTING:
Row 45: C5 4 sts, C3 54 sts, C2 32 sts, C4 52 sts.	Row 79: C1 k1, p1, sssk, cont rib (p1/k1) 55 sts, turn. Leave other 60 sts on needle to work on later.
Row 46: C4 54 sts, C2 26 sts, C3 54 sts, C5 6 sts.	
Row 47: C5 8 sts, C3 54 sts, C2 22 sts, C4 56 sts.	Row 80: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row (56 sts)
Row 48: C4 58 sts, C2 18 sts, C3 54 sts, C5 10 sts.	Row 81, C1 k1, p1, sssk, cont rib (p1/k1) 51 sts, turn.
Row 49: C5 12 sts, C3 54 sts, C2 14 sts, C4 60 sts.	Row 82: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row
Row 50: C4 62 sts, C2 10 sts, C3 54 sts, C5 14 sts.	(52 sts)
Row 51: C5 16 sts, C3 54 sts, C2 6 sts, C4 64 sts.	Row 83: C1 52 sts.turn.
Row 52: C4 66 sts, C3 54 sts, C5 20 sts.	Row 84: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row (50 sts)
Row 53: C5 24 sts, C3 48 sts, C4 68 sts.	Row 85: C1 50 sts.turn
Row 54: C4 70sts, C3 42 sts, C5 28 sts.	Row 86: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row (48 sts)
Row 55: C5 32 sts, C3 36 sts, C4 72 sts.	
Row 56: C4 72 sts, C1 6 sts, C3 30 sts, C5 36 sts.	Row 87: C1 48 sts.turn
Row 57: C5 40 sts, C3 24 sts, C1 12 sts, C4 64 sts.	Row 88: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row (46 sts)
Row 58: C4 60 sts, C1 18sts, C3 18 sts, C5 44 sts.	Row 89: C1 46 sts.turn
Row 60: C5 48 sts, C3 12 sts, C1 24 sts, C4 56 sts.	Row 90: C1 k1, p1, k1, p1, k3tog, cont p1/k1 rib to end of row
Row 61: C4 52 sts, C1 30 sts, C3 8 sts, C5 50 sts	(44 sts)
Row 62: C5 52 sts, C3 2 sts, C1 38 sts, C4 48 sts.	Row 91 – 111 – C1 44 sts.
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K cast off.

Row 63: C4 44 sts, C1 44 sts, C5 52 sts.

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# OTHER SIDE OF ARMHOLE

Transfer stitches to needle so you will be starting work on the WS:

-C1 k1, p1, sssk, cont rib (p1/k1) 55 sts, turn.

Repeat Row 80 to 111 as above.

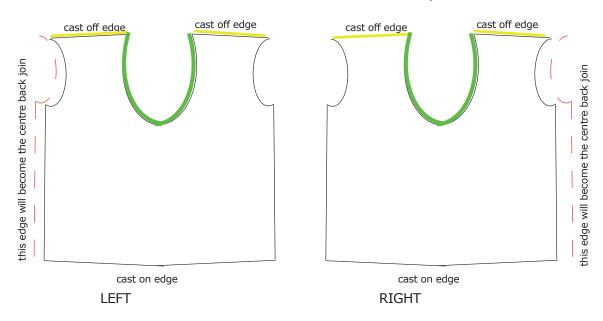
# **RIGHT SIDE**

Work as for LEFT SIDE.

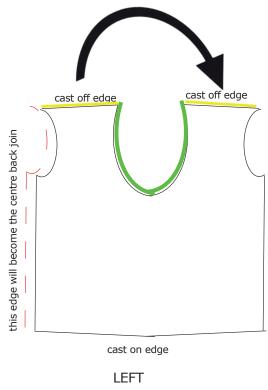
# **FINISHING**

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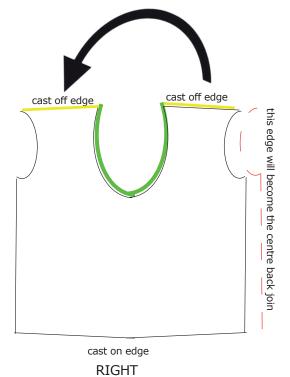
STEP 1. The LEFT AND RIGHT PIECES will resemble these shapes below.



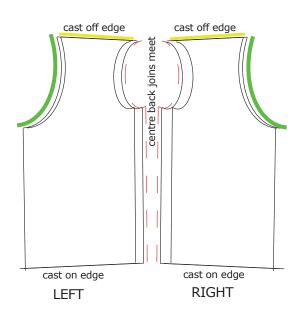
STEP 2. FOLD THE LEFT PIECE IN HALF (underneath) SO THE CAST OFF EDGES MEET (the yellow lines) Seam the cast off edges together where the yellow lines meet (approx 19cm). The green lines where what looks like a neckline; become our armholes later. The Centre Back Seam shown by the red dotted line, will then sitting underneath, now the back of the garment.



STEP 3. Do the same for the RIGHT SIDE.

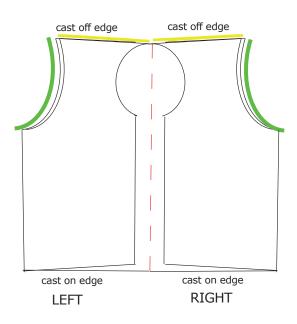


STEP 4. The seams which are the red dotted lines are now positioned beside each other in the back.

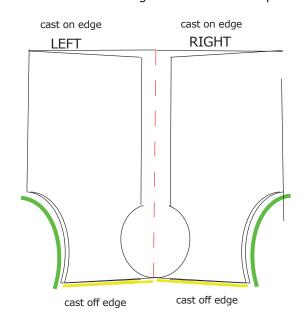


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STEP 5. Sew the left and right centre back seams together which is where the red dotted lines are, including the curved portion (Approx 84cm)



STEP 6. Now rotate the garment to turn it upside down. Yes - upside down!!



STEP 7. Press the back seam to smooth out the curved contoured portion of the back seam. Now let the wonder of gravity and beauty of knitted wool do its work; allow the cast on edges to drape forward to become the fronts of the garment. Wear it as a bolero or cape with armholes, draw the garment up higher over the body and fold the left and right fronts under and over each other to bcome a snug cardigan, or allow the fronts to fold underneath and sculpt like the photograph and wear it open; or just wrap it around the neck to wear like a scarf.

