



KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: EASY

ABBREVIATIONS

Alt = Alternate

Beg = Beginning

Cont = Continue(ity)

Dec = Decrease(ing)

Inc = Increase(ing)

K = Knit

K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together

P = Purl

P2tog = Purl next 2 stitches together

P2togtbl = Purl next 2 stitches together through back loops

Rem = Remaining

Rep = Repeat

RS = Right side

Ssk = Slip next 2 stitches one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through the back loops together.

St(s) = Stitch(es)

WS = Wrong side

SIZES

To fit chest measurement

4 23" [58.5 cm]

6 25" [63.5 cm]

8 26½" [67.5 cm]

10 28" [71 cm]

Finished chest

4 28" [71 cm]

6 30" [76 cm]

8 32" [81.5 cm]

10 34" [86.5 cm]

GAUGE

18 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking stitch with larger needles.

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus (). When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes. For ease in working, circle all numbers pertaining to your size.

BACK

**With smaller needles and A, cast on 58 (62-66-74) sts.

1st row: (RS). *K2. P2. Rep from * to last 2 sts. K2.

2nd row: *P2. K2. Rep from * to last 2 sts. P2.

MATERIALS

Caron® Simply Soft™ (6 oz/170.1 g; 315 yds/288 m)

Sizes 4 6 8 10

Contrast A Lavender Blue (9756) 1 1 1 1 ball

Contrast B Ocean (9759) 2 2 2 3 balls

Contrast C Robin's Egg (9780) 1 1 1 1 ball

Sizes U.S. 7 (4.5 mm) and U.S. 8 (5 mm) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge. Stitch holder. Safety pin. Yarn needle.

Rep last 2 rows (K2. P2) ribbing for **3 (4-4-4)**" [**7.5 (10-10-10)** cm], ending on a 2nd row and inc **3 (3-3-1)** st(s) evenly across last row. **61 (65-69-75)** sts.

Change to larger needles, B and proceed in stocking st until work from beg measures **9 (10-10½-11½)**" [**23 (25.5-26.5-29)** cm], ending on a purl row.

Shape armholes: Cast off **3 (3-3-4)** sts at beg of next 2 rows. **55 (59-63-67)** sts.

1st row: (RS). K2. ssk. Knit to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2.

2nd row: Purl.**

Rep last 2 rows **2 (2-2-3)** times more. **49 (53-57-59)** sts rem.

Cont even until armhole measures **5½ (6-6½-7)**" [**14 (15-16.5-18)** cm], ending on a purl row.

Shape shoulders: Cast off **6 (7-8-8)** sts at beg of next 2 rows, then **7 (7-7-8)** sts at beg of following 2 rows.

Leave rem **23 (25-25-27)** sts on a st holder.

FRONT

Work from ** to ** as given for Back.

Shape Left Front V-neck:

1st row: (RS). K2. ssk. **K20 (22-24-25)**. K2tog (neck edge). **Turn.**

Leave rem sts on a spare needle.

2nd row: Purl.

3rd row: K2. ssk. Knit to last 2 sts. K2tog.

4th row: Purl. **22 (24-26-27)** sts rem.

Keeping armhole edge even, dec 1 st at neck edge only on next and alt rows until there are **15 (17-19-19)** sts rem, then on following 4th rows until there are **13 (14-16-16)** sts rem.

Cont even until armhole measures **5½ (6-6½-7)**" [**14 (15-16.5-18)** cm], ending on a purl row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off **6 (7-8-8)** sts at beg of next row.

Purl 1 row.

Cast off rem **7 (7-8-8)** sts.

Shape Right Front V-neck:

1st row: (RS). Slip center st onto a safety pin. Join yarn to rem sts. ssk. Knit to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2.

2nd row: Purl.

3rd row: ssk. Knit to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2.

4th row: Purl. **22 (24-26-27)** sts rem.

Keeping armhole edge even, dec 1 st at neck edge only on next and alt rows until there are **15 (17-19-19)** sts rem, then on following 4th rows until there are **13 (14-16-16)** sts rem.

Cont even until armhole measures **5½ (6-6½-7)**" [**14 (15-16.5-18)** cm], ending on a knit row.

Shape shoulder: Cast off **6 (7-8-8)** sts at beg of next row.

Knit 1 row.

Cast off rem **7 (7-8-8)** sts.

FINISHING

Sew right shoulder seam.

V-neckband: With RS facing, C and smaller needles pick up and knit **30 (34-38-38)** sts down left front neck edge. K1 from safety pin (place marker for center st). Pick up and knit **29 (33-37-37)** sts up right front neck edge. **K23 (25-25-27)** from back neck st holder inc **2 (0-0-2)** st(s) evenly across. **83 (93-101-105)** sts.

1st row: (WS). *P2. K2. Rep from * **12 (13-14-15)** times more. P2tog. P1 (center st). P2tog. **K2. P2. Rep from ** to end of row.

2nd row: *K2. P2. Rep from * to 3 sts before center st. P1. P2tog. K1 (center st). P2tog. Rib to end of row.

3rd row: *P2. K2. Rep from * to 3 sts before center st. K1. K2tog. P1 (center st). K2tog. Rib to end of row.

4th to 7th rows: Rep last 2 rows twice more.

Cast off in ribbing, dec as before. Sew left shoulder and neckband seam.

Armbands: With RS facing, C and smaller needles, pick up and knit 62 (70-78-82) sts evenly across armhole edge.

Beg and ending on a WS row, work 7 rows in (K2, P2) ribbing as given for Back. Cast off in ribbing. Sew side and armband seams.

