

Size U.S. 5 ( 3.75 mm ) circular knitting needle 40 " $[100 \mathrm{~cm}]$ long and size U.S. 3 ( 3.25 mm ) circular knitting needle 24 " $[60 \mathrm{~cm}$ ] long or size needed to obtain gauge. Spare needle. Stitch marker.


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## ABBREVIATIONS

| Approx =Approximate(ly) | together |
| :--- | :--- |
| Beg = Begin(ning) | Pat = Pattern |
| Cont = Continue(ity) | Rep = Repeat |
| Dec = Decrease(ing) | Rnd(s) = Round(s) |
| Kfb = Increase 1 stitch by knitting | RS = Right side |
| into front and back of next stitch | St(s) = Stitches |
| K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches | WS = Wrong side |

## SIZES

\section*{To fit bust measurement

XS/S 28-34" [71-86.5 cm $]$
M 36-38" [91.5-96.5 cm] $40-42^{\prime \prime}[101.5-106.5 \mathrm{~cm}]$ XL 44-46" [112-117cm]
2/3XL 48-54" [122-137 cm]
4/5XL 56-62" [142-157.5 cm]

\section*{Finished bust

## Finished bust <br> XS/S 36" [91.5 cm] <br> M 40 " $[101.5 \mathrm{~cm}]$ <br> L 44" [112 cm] <br> XL $48^{\prime \prime}[122 \mathrm{~cm}]$ <br> 2/3XL 56" [142 cm] <br> 4/5XL 64" [167.5 cm] <br> GAUGE

24 sts and 26 rows $=4$ " $[10 \mathrm{~cm}$ ] with larger needles in Drop St Pat.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes, the instructions are written thus ( ). Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.

Note: Top is worked in one piece from Front to Back.

With larger needle, beg at lower edge of Back, cast on 102 (114-126-138-162-186) sts. Do not join. Working back and forth across needle in rows, knit 10 rows (garter st), noting rst row is WS.
Next row: (WS). *K16 (18-20-22-26-30). Kfb. Rep from ${ }^{*}$ to end of row. 108 (120-132-144-168-192) sts.

Proceed in Drop St Pat as follows: 1 st, 3rd and 5th rows: (RS). Knit. 2nd and 4th rows: Purl.
6th row: Knit.
7th row: Knit, wrapping yarn around needle 3 times each st.
8th row: Knit, dropping extra 2 loops of each st. These 8 rows form Drop St Pat.

Cont in pat until work from beg measures approx 11 (11-11-111/2-1212)" [28 (28-28-29-30.5-30.5) cm], ending with a 1 st or 3 rd row of pat.
Shape sleeves: Next row: (WS). Cast on 33 sts. Purl to end of row.
Next row: Cast on 33 sts. Knit to end of row. 174 (186-198-210-234-258) sts.
Next row: K5. Pat to last 5 sts. K5. Rep last row, keeping cont of Drop St Pat and working first and last 5 sts of each row in garter st, until work from beg measures approx 19 (191/2-$20-201 / 2-211 / 2-22$ ) " 48 (49.5-51-$52-54.5-56) \mathrm{cm}$ ], ending on a 1st or 3rd row of pat.
Divide for neck: Next row: (WS). Pat across first 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts. Leave these sts on spare needle (Left Sleeve). Cast off next 54 sts. Pat across last 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts (Right Sleeve).
**Shape right neck: Keeping cont of pat, dec 1 st at neck edge on next 16 rows. 44 (50-56-62-74-86) sts.
Work 8 rows even in pat.
Keeping cont of pat, inc 1 st at neck edge on next 16 rows. 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts.**
Next row: Work even in pat.
Break yarn. Slip these 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts onto a spare needle.

Shape left neck: With RS facing, rejoin yarn to 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts of Left Sleeve. Work from ** to ** as given for Right Neck.
Joining row: (RS). Pat across 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts of Left Sleeve.
Cast on 54 sts. Pat across 60 (66-72-78-90-102) sts of Right Sleeve from spare needle. 174 (186-198-210-234-258) sts.

Cont even in pat until work from last cast on row at Front neck edge measures 8 (81/2-9-9-91/2-10)" [20.5 (21.5-23-23-24.5-25.5) cm], ending with a WS row.
Shape sleeves: Next 2 rows: Cast off 33 sts. Pat to end of row. 108 (120-132-144-168-192) sts at end of 2 nd row.

Cont even in Drop St Pat until work from last sleeve cast off row measures approx 10 (10-10-1012-11-11)" [25.5 (25.5-25.5-26.5-28-28) cm] ending with a 5 th row of pat.
Next row: (WS). *K16 (18-20-22-26-30). K2tog. Rep from * to end of row. 102 (114-126-138-162-186) sts.
Knit 9 rows (garter st).
Cast off (WS).
Sew side and sleeve seams.

Neck edging: With RS facing and smaller circular needle, beg at center back neck edge, pick up and knit 160 sts evenly around neck edge. Join for working in rnd, placing marker on first st.
Next rnd: Purl.
Next rnd: Knit.
Rep last 2 rnds once more.
Cast off.

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