



KNIT  
SKILL LEVEL  
EASY



Designed by Cathy Payson

## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Amore™:** 7 (7, 7, 8, 8, 8) balls 6316 Chamomile

### Susan Bates® Knitting

**Needles:** 5mm [US 8] straight needles, and 5mm [US 8] 36" [90 cm] circular needle

Yarn needle.

**GAUGE:** 18 sts = 4" [10 cm];  
26 rows = 4" [10 cm] in  
Stockinette stitch (knit on  
right side, purl on wrong  
side). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.**  
Use any size needles to  
obtain the gauge.



**RED HEART® Amore™, Art E876**  
available in 3.5oz  
(100 g), 198 yd (181 m) balls

# My Go-To Knit Cardigan

Wherever you go, this ultra-soft, knit cardigan is the perfect extra layer. Whether going to class, meeting friends or concentrating on a class assignment, you'll love the versatility of this sweater!

SHOP KIT

Directions are for size **Small**; changes for sizes **Medium, Large, 1X, 2X and 3X** are in parentheses.

Cardigan is designed to be oversized.

### Finished Bust (2 times Back Width):

50½ (52½, 54, 56, 58, 59½)" [128.5 (133.5, 137, 142, 147.5, 151) cm]

**Finished Length:** 28 (28½, 29, 29½, 30, 30½)" [71 (72.5, 73.5, 75, 76, 77.5) cm]

### Notes

1. Cardigan is worked in 5 pieces: Back, left front, right front, and two sleeves.
2. Each piece is worked, back and forth in rows, beginning with a 2x2 Rib lower band. After the lower band is complete, the body of each piece is worked in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side). Finished pieces are seamed and front and neck edgings are worked in one piece directly onto the cardigan.
3. Back, fronts, and sleeves can be worked with straight needles or circular needle. If you choose to use circular needle, work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.
4. Circular needle is used to work front and neck edging. Circular needle is used to accommodate large number of stitches, work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles.

### Special Stitches

**M1 (make 1 knit)** = Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole - 1 st increased.

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time, as if to knit to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of stitches, knit these sts together through back loop - 1 st decreased.



## PATTERN STITCH

### 2x2 Rib

(multiple of 4 sts + 2 additional sts)  
**Row 1 (right side):** K2, \*p2, k2; repeat from \* across.

**Row 2:** Knit the knit sts, and purl the purl sts, as they appear.  
Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for 2x2 Rib.

## BACK

Cast on 114 (118, 122, 126, 130, 134) sts.

continued...



2015 - 2018  
**WOMEN'S CHOICE AWARD®**  
AMERICA'S MOST RECOMMENDED  
YARN BRAND



## Lower Band

Work in 2x2 Rib until piece measures about 3" [7.5 cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Body

Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures about 20" [51 cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Shape Armholes

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 6 (6, 7, 7, 8, 8) sts, knit to end of row—108 (112, 115, 119, 122, 126) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 6 (6, 7, 7, 8, 8) sts, purl to end of row—102 (106, 108, 112, 114, 118) sts.

Work even in Stockinette stitch until armholes measure about 8 (8½, 9, 9½, 10, 10½)" [20.5 (21.5, 23, 24, 25.5, 26.5) cm].

Bind off.

## LEFT FRONT

Cast on 51 (55, 59, 63, 67, 71) sts.

## Lower Band

**Row 1 (right side):** Work Row 1 of 2x2 Rib to last st, k1.

**Row 2:** Knit the knit sts, and purl the purl sts, as they appear.

Repeat Row 2 until piece measures about 3" [7.5 cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Body

Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures same as back to armholes, ending with a wrong side row.

## Shape Armhole and Front Edge

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 6 (6, 7, 7, 8, 8) sts, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—44 (48, 51, 55, 58, 62) sts.

## Continue Shaping Front Edge.

Beginning with a wrong side (purl) row, work in Stockinette stitch for 3 rows.

**Decrease Row (right side):** Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—43 (47, 50, 54, 57, 61) sts.

Repeat last 4 rows for 8 (10, 12, 14, 14, 16) more times—35 (37, 38, 40, 43, 45) sts.

Work even in Stockinette stitch until armhole measures same as back armhole.

Bind off.

## RIGHT FRONT

Cast on 51 (55, 59, 63, 67, 71) sts.

## Lower Band

**Row 1 (right side):** K1, work Row 1 of 2x2 Rib across.

**Row 2:** Knit the knit sts, and purl the purl sts, as they appear.

Repeat Row 2 until piece measures about 3" [7.5 cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Body

Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures same as back to armholes, ending with a right side row.

## Shape Armhole

**Row 1 (wrong side):** Bind off 6 (6, 7, 7, 8, 8) sts, purl to end of row—45 (49, 52, 56, 59, 63) sts.

## Shape Front Edge.

**Decrease Row (right side):** K1, ssk, knit to end of row—44 (48, 51, 55, 58, 62) sts. Beginning with a wrong side (purl) row, work in Stockinette stitch for 3 rows.

Repeat Decrease Row—43 (47, 50, 54, 57, 61) sts.

Repeat last 4 rows for 8 (10, 12, 14, 14, 16) more times—35 (37, 38, 40, 43, 45) sts.

Work even in Stockinette stitch until armhole measures same as back armhole.  
Bind off.

## SLEEVES (make 2)

Cast on 38 (38, 42, 42, 46, 46) sts.

## Lower Band

Work in 2x2 Rib until piece measures about 3" [7.5 cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Body

**Sizes 1X-Large (2X-Large) Only:**

Work even in Stockinette stitch for 3 rows.

**Increase Row (right side):** K1, M1, knit to last 2 sts, M1, k1—44 (48) sts.

Repeat last 4 rows for 21 more times—86 (90) sts.

**Sizes Small (Medium, Large, and 3X-Large) Only:**

Work even in Stockinette stitch for 3 (3, 3, 1) row(s).

**Increase Row (right side):** K1, M1, knit to last 2 sts, M1, k1—40 (40, 44, 48) sts.

Repeat last 4 (4, 4, 2) rows for 9 (16, 16, 3) more times—58 (72, 76, 54) sts.

Work even in Stockinette stitch for 5 (5, 5, 3) rows.

Repeat Increase Row—60 (74, 78, 56) sts.

Repeat last 6 (6, 6, 4) rows for 6 (1, 1, 19) more times—72 (76, 80, 94) sts.

## All Sizes:

Work even in Stockinette stitch until piece measures about 18" [45.5 cm] from beginning.  
Bind off.

## FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

## Front and Back Neck Edging

With right side facing and circular needle, beginning at lower right front corner, pick up and k134 (136, 136, 138, 138, 140) sts evenly spaced along right front edge to shoulder, 34 sts along back neck, 134 (136, 136, 138, 138, 140) sts along left front edge to lower left front corner—302 (306, 306, 310, 310, 314) sts.

Work in 2x2 Rib for about 3½" [9 cm].  
Bind off loosely in rib pattern.

Sew sleeves into armholes. Sew side and sleeve seams.  
Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**K** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es);  
\* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

