



KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Shimmer®:
3 (4, 4, 5, 5) balls 1536 Purple

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:
4mm [US 6] and 5mm [US 8]

Yarn needle

GAUGES: 22 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 26 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Lace Pattern with smaller needles; 16 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in St st with larger needles. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauges.



RED HEART® Shimmer® Art. E763 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 280 yd (256 m) balls.

Any Time Top

Lacy and feminine, this lovely knit top can go from dressy affair to office to weekend.

Just a hint of glitz adds impact to a lusciously soft yarn.

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

Finished Bust Measurement: 36½ (41½, 46½, 49½, 54½)", [92.5 (105.5, 118, 125.5, 138.5) cm]

Special Abbreviation

SSK = slip next 2 sts knitwise, one at a time, then insert tip of opposite needle into the fronts of these 2 sts and knit them together in this position.

Lace Pattern

Row 1 (Right Side): Knit.

Rows 2-4: Knit.

Row 5: K1, * [K2tog] twice, [yo, K1] 3 times, yo, [SSK] twice, K1; repeat from * across.

Row 6: Purl.

Rows 7-12: Repeat Rows 5 and 6 three more times.

Repeat Rows 1-12 for Lace Pattern.

Pattern Note

For fully-fashioned decreases: **On right side rows:** K3, SSK, work to last 5 sts; K2tog, K3; **on wrong side rows:** P3, P2tog, work to last 5 sts; P2togtbl, P3.

Back

With smaller needles, cast on 97 (109, 121, 133, 145) sts. Work Rows 1-12 of Lace Pattern 4 times, then work Rows 1-4 once more. Change to larger needles and St st, begin knit row, and decrease 24 (26, 28, 34, 36) sts evenly spaced across first row – 73 (83, 93, 99, 109) sts. Work even until 13½" [34.5cm] from beginning, end purl row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 6, 7) sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st each end of every row 4 (8, 12, 14, 16) times, then every other row 2 (1, 0, 0, 0) times – 49 (51, 51, 53, 55) sts. Work even until 20½ (21, 21½, 22, 22¼)" [52 (53.5, 54.5, 56, 56.5) cm] from beginning, end purl row.

Shape Neck

K12 (13, 13, 14, 15) sts, join 2nd ball of yarn and bind off center 25 sts, knit to end. Work both sides at once with separate balls of yarn and decrease 1 st at each neck edge every row once – 11 (12, 12, 13, 14) sts each side. Work even, if necessary, until 21 (21½, 22, 22½, 22¾)" [53.5 (54.5, 56, 57, 58) cm] from beginning, end purl row.

Shape Shoulders

Work both sides at once with separate balls of yarn and bind off 4 (4, 4, 4, 5) sts at beginning of next 4 rows, then 3 (4, 4, 5, 4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Front

Work same as back until 16 (16½, 17, 17½, 17¾)" [40.5 (42, 43, 44.5, 45) cm] from beginning, end purl row.

Shape Neck

K18 (19, 19, 20, 21) sts, join 2nd ball of yarn and bind off center 13 sts, knit to end. Work both sides at once with separate balls of yarn, and bind off 2 sts each neck edge twice, then decrease 1 st each neck edge every row three times – 11 (12, 12, 13, 14) sts each side. Work even until piece measures same as back to shoulders. Shape shoulders same as back.

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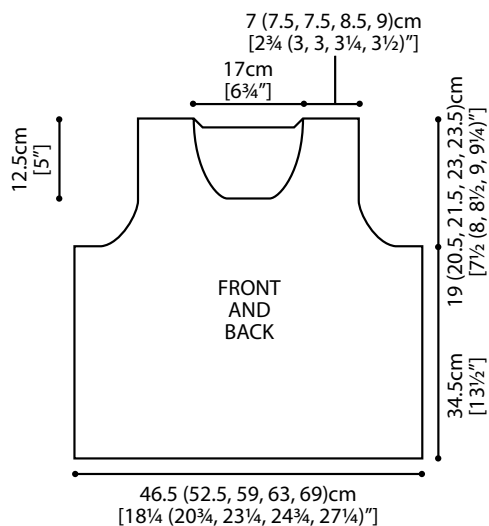
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Sleeves

With smaller needles, cast on 61 (61, 73, 73, 85) sts. Work Rows 1-12 of Lace Pattern once, then work Rows 1-4 once more. Change to larger needles and St st, begin knit row and decrease 14 (12, 18, 14, 18) sts evenly spaced across first row – 47 (49, 55, 59, 67) sts. Work even until 7½ (7½, 8, 8, 8)”, [19 (19, 20.5, 20.5) cm] from beginning, end purl row.

Shape Cap

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 6, 7) sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st each side every 4th row 1 (4, 4, 4, 2) times, then every other row 9 (6, 8, 10, 15) times – 19 sts. Work 1 (0, 1, 0, 0) row even. Bind off 2 sts at beginning of next 4 rows. Bind off remaining 11 sts.



Finishing-Neckband

Sew right shoulder seam. With right side facing and smaller needles, pick up and K83 sts evenly along neckline. Knit every row for ½” [1.5 cm]

Next Row: Knit and decrease 12 sts evenly across – 71 sts.

Knit every row until band measures 1” [2.5 cm]. Bind off.

Sew left shoulder and neckband seam. Set in sleeves. Sew sleeve and side seams.

ABBREVIATIONS

K = knit; **mm** = millimeters; **P** = purl; **St st** = Stockinette stitch (Knit on right side rows; Purl on wrong side rows); **st(s)** = stitch (es); **tbl** = through back loops; **tog** = together; **yo** = yarn over; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

