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## Awesome, Cool Knit Sweater

This knit sweater is fashionably loose and comfy to wear while always looking cool. Make it in a favorite shade of this yarn that we named Soft—because it is!

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### What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft:** 5 (6, 6, 7, 8) balls 9440 Lt Grey Heather

**Susan Bates® Knitting**  
**Needles:** 5mm [US 8] and 4.5mm [US 7]

**Susan Bates® Circular Knitting**  
**Needles:** 4.5mm [US 7] 16" [40 cm]

Stitch markers, stitch holder, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 21 sts = 4" (10 cm); 23 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Elm Seed St on larger needles.

**CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge given.



**RED HEART® Soft®**, Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4 oz (113 g), 212 yd (194 m) balls

SHOP KIT

Directions are for size 10. Changes for sizes 12, 14, 16 and Woman's Small are in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes.

**To Fit Bust/Chest:** 28 (30, 31½, 32½, 34)" [71 (76, 87.5, 82.5, 86.5) cm]

**Finished Bust/Chest Measurement:** 39 (40½, 42, 45, 46½)" [99 (103, 106.5, 114.5, 118) cm]

**Finished Length:** 20 (21, 21½, 22, 28)" [51 (53.5, 54.5, 56, 71) cm]

### SPECIAL STITCHES

**Yon (yarn over needle)** = With yarn in front of work, bring yarn to back over the right needle and to the front again between needles.

**M1L (make 1 left)** = Insert left needle from front to back under strand between needles, knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole – 1 st increased.

**M1R (make 1 right)** = Insert left needle from back to front under strand between needles, knit strand through the front loop, twisting it to prevent a hole – 1 st increased.

### Elm Seed Stitch (worked over a multiple of 4 sts + 2)

**Rows 1 and 3 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** P1, \*yon, p2, pass the yon over the last 2 sts and off needle, p2; repeat from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 4 (wrong side):** P1, \*p2, yon, p2, pass the yon over the last 2 sts and off needle; repeat from \* to last st, p1. Repeat Rows 1–4.

### BACK

With smaller needles, cast on 102 (106, 110, 118, 122) sts.

**Row 1 (right side):** K2, \*p2, k2; repeat from \* across.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** P2, \*k2, p2; repeat from \* across.



Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 1½" [3.75 cm], ending with a Wrong Side row.

Change to larger needles and begin Elm Seed Stitch. Work even until piece measures 12 (12½ 12½, 12½, 18½)" [30.5 (32, 32, 32, 47) cm] from cast-on edge, ending with a Wrong Side row.

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## Shape Armholes

Bind off 11 (11, 12, 15, 13) sts at beginning of next 2 rows—80 (84, 86, 88, 96) sts. Work even in pattern until armholes measure 8 (8½, 9, 9½, 9½)" [20.5 (21.5, 23, 24, 24) cm], ending with a Wrong Side row.

## Shape Shoulders

Bind off 7 (8, 7, 8, 9) sts at beginning of next 4 rows, then bind off 8 (8, 8, 7, 9) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Bind off remaining 36 (36, 42, 42, 42) sts for back neck.

## FRONT

Work same as for Back until armholes measure 5½ (6, 6½, 6½, 6½)" [14 (15, 16.5, 16.5, 16.5) cm], ending with a Wrong Side row.

## Shape Neck

Mark center 12 (12, 14, 14, 14) sts.

**Next Row (right side):** Continuing Elm Seed St pattern, work to marker, place center 12 (12, 14, 14, 14) sts on holder, join a separate ball of yarn and work to end of row – 34 (36, 36, 37, 41) sts each side.

Working both sides at once with separate balls of yarn, bind off at each neck edge 3 sts 2 (2, 3, 2, 2) times, then 2 sts 2 (2, 2, 3, 3) times, then 1 st 2 (2, 1, 2, 2) times – 22 (24, 22, 23, 27) sts each side.

Work even until armholes measure same as Back to shoulder edge.

Shape Shoulders  
Same as for Back.

## SLEEVES

**With smaller needles, cast on 46 (46, 50, 50, 50) sts. Row 1 (right side):** K2, \*p2, k2; repeat from \* across.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** P2, \*k2, p2; repeat from \* across. Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 1½" [3.75 cm], ending with a Wrong Side row.

Change to larger needles, begin Elm Seed Stitch and start increases.

**Increase Row (right side):** K1, M1L, knit to last st, M1R, k1. Repeat Increase Row every other row 3 (2, 0, 4, 6) times, and then every 4th row 15 (18, 21, 19, 17) times – 84 (88, 94, 98, 98) sts.

Work even in pattern until sleeve measures 16½ (18, 19, 19½, 18¼)" [42 (45.5, 48, 49.5, 46.5) cm] from cast-on edge, ending with a Wrong Side row. Bind off.

## FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

## NECKBAND

With Right Side facing and circular needle, begin at right shoulder edge, pick up and knit 36 (36, 42, 42, 42) sts across Back neck, 16 (16, 16, 18, 18) sts down left Front neck edge, 12 (12, 14, 14, 14) stitches from holder for Front neck and 16 (16, 16, 18, 18) sts up right Front neck edge – 80 (80, 88, 92, 92) sts. Place marker to indicate beginning of round.

**Round 1:** \*K2, p2; repeat from \* around. Repeat Round 1 until neckband measures 1" [2.5 cm]. Bind off in rib.

Center sleeves along armhole edge and sew in place.  
Sew underarm and side seams.

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**cm** = centimeters; **k** = knit; **mm** = millimeters; **p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yds** = yards; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

