





KNIT SKILL LEVEL **EASY**

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What you will need:

Red Heart® Soft®: 1 (1, 2, 2) balls 4604 Navy A, and 1 ball 9440 Light Gray Heather B.

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles: 5.0 mm [US 8]

Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needles: One set 5.0 mm [US 8], 16" [40 cm] long

Stitch markers, stitch holder, yarn needle

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 26 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Seeded Rib. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needle to obtain the gauge.



Red Heart® Soft®, Art. E728 solid colors available in 5 oz (141g), 204 yd (187 m) balls



Boy's Seeded Rib Vest

Your little guy will enjoy this layer of warmth while looking very handsome in his justfor-him vest. Directions are for size 2; changes for sizes 4, 6 and 8 are in parentheses.

Finished Chest: 23½ (25, 27, 29)" [59.5 (63.5, 68.5, 73.5) cm]

Finished length: 14 (15, 16, 17)" [35.5 (38, 40.5, 44.5) cm]

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

ssk = slip next two stitches knitwise to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of sts, knit these sts together through back loop.

PATTERN STITCHES

Seeded Rib (multiple of 4 stitches + 3) Row 1 (Right Side): K1, p1, *k3, p1; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Row 2 (Wrong Side): P1, k2, p1, *k3, p1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, p1.
Repeat these 2 rows for Seeded Rib.

1×1 Rib (multiple of 2×1)

Row 1 (Right Side): *K1, p1; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Row 2: *P1, k1; repeat from * to last st, p1. Repeat these 2 rows for 1 x 1 Rib.

Notes

Decreases for V-neck shaping: for left shoulder, work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; for right shoulder, k1, ssk, work to end of row.

BACK

With **B**, cast on 55 (59, 63, 67) sts. Work 1 x 1 Rib until piece measures $\frac{3}{4}$ ($\frac{3}{4}$, 1, 1)" [2 (2, 2.5, 2.5) cm], end with a wrong side row.

Change to **A**. Knit 1 row. Beginning with a wrong side row, work Seeded Rib pattern until piece measures 9 (9½, 10, 10½)" [23 (24, 25.5, 26.5) cm"] from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3) sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows. Dec 1 st each end of every right side row 1 (2, 2, 2) times -49 (51, 55, 57) sts. Work even until armhole measures 4 (4½, 5, 6)" [10 (11.5, 12.5, 15) cm], end with a wrong side row.

Shape Back Neck

Work 14 (15, 16, 17) sts in pattern, join second ball of yarn; continuing with second ball of yarn, bind off 21 (21, 23, 23) sts, work to end of row.

Working both sides at the same time with separate balls of yarn, continue in pattern. Work 1 row.

Shape Shoulders

Bind off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts at beginning of next 2 rows (shoulder edge), then remaining 6 (7, 8, 8) sts at beginning of following 2 rows.

FRONT

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Change to **A**. Knit 1 row. Beginning with a wrong side row, work Seeded Rib pattern until piece measures same as Back to armhole, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Armholes and Neck

Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3) sts, work 25 (27, 29, 30) in pattern, place center stitch on holder; join second ball of yarn, and continuing with second ball of yarn, work to end of row. Working both sides at same time, continue in pattern.

Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3) sts, work to end of row – 25 (27, 29, 30) sts each shoulder.

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SHOP KIT



Continue armhole shaping as for back; AT SAME TIME, *decrease 1 st at neck edges every right side row once, then every other right side row once. Repeat from * 2 (3, 4, 4) more times; decrease 1 st every 2 (2, 2, 4) rows 4 (2, 1, 1) times – 14 (15, 16, 17) sts. Work even until front measures same as back to Back Neck shaping, end with a wrong side row. Work 2 rows even.

Shape Shoulders

Bind off 8 (8, 8, 9) sts at beginning of next 2 rows (shoulder edge), then remaining 6 (7, 8, 8) sts at beginning of following 2 rows.

FINISHING

Block pieces. Sew shoulder seams.

Armhole Band

With right side facing and beginning at underarm, pick up and knit 43 (47, 53, 59) sts. Work 1 x 1 Rib for 4 (4, 4, 6) rows; bind off in pattern.

Neck Band

With circular needle, right side facing and beginning at left shoulder seam, pick up and knit 22 (24, 26, 28) sts along left front, place marker, k1 from center front holder, place marker, 22 (24, 26, 28) along right front, and 25 (25, 27, 27) along back neck – 70 (74, 80, 84) sts.

Join; place marker for beginning of round. **Next round:** Work 1 x 1 Rib to 2 sts before marker, ssk, slip marker (sm), k1, sm, k2tog, work 1 x 1 Rib to end. Repeat last round 3 (3, 4, 5) more times -62 (66, 70, 72) sts. Bind off in pattern.

Sew side seams and edging. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B = Color A, Color B; $\mathbf{k} = \text{knit}$; $\mathbf{p} = \text{purl}$; $\mathbf{st(s)} = \text{stitch(es)}$; $\mathbf{k2tog} = \text{knit next 2 sts together}$; $\mathbf{inc} = \text{increase 1 st}$; $\mathbf{mm} = \text{millimeters}$; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.



