





KNIT SKILL LEVEL **EASY** 

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# What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®: 2 (2, 3, 3) skeins 1502 Iced Aqua A, and 1 (1, 2, 2) skeins 1601 Lettuce B

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

Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needle: 4.5mm [US 7], 32" (80 cm) long

Stitch holder, 3 buttons, 3 snap closures, sewing needle and matching thread, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" (10 cm); 36 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Seed stitch using larger needles. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color

7 oz (198 g), 390 yd (357 m) and multicolor 5 oz (141 g), 230 yd (211 m) skeins.

**SHOP KIT** 



# Child's Side Buttoned Vest

She'll love the way she looks in this cheerful sweater vest. The asymmetrical opening adds interest to this delightful design.

Directions are for size 2 years. Changes for sizes 4 years, 6 years, and 8 years are in parentheses.

**Finished Chest:** 24 (26, 28, 30)" [61 (66, 71, 76) cm], closed.

Finished Length:  $12\frac{1}{2}$  ( $13\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $14\frac{1}{2}$ , 16)" [31 (34.5, 37, 40.5) cm], including lower band.

#### **Special Stitch**

M1 = Make 1 (Increase) – Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.

#### **Pattern Stitches**

Seed Stitch (over odd number of sts)

Row 1: K1, \*p1, k1; repeat from \* to end of row. Row 2: Knit the purl sts and purl the knit sts. Repeat last row for Seed st.

## **Double Garter Stitch**

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Knit. Rows 2 and 3: Purl.

Row 4: Knit.

Repeat Rows 1-4 for Double Garter st.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Vest is made in three pieces: Back, left front, and right front.
- Left front and right front are worked exactly the same. Seed stitch is reversible, so right front is worked like left front then flipped over.
- 3. Wide bands are worked across all outer edges of the vest.

# **BACK**

With larger needles and **A**, cast on 55 (59, 63, 67) sts.

Work in Seed st until piece measures 6 ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ , 7, 8)" [15 (16.5, 18, 20.5) cm] from beginning.

#### **Shape Armholes**

**Row 1:** Bind off 2 (3, 4, 5) sts, work in Seed st to end of row—53 (56, 59, 62) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 2 (3, 4, 5) sts, work in Seed st to end of row—51 (53, 55, 57) sts.

Rows 3–8 (decrease): K2tog, work in Seed st to end of row—45 (47, 49, 51) sts.

Work even in Seed st until armhole measures  $5 (5\frac{1}{2}, 6, 6\frac{1}{2})$ " [12.5 (14, 15, 16.5) cm]. Note: At this point, back should measure 11 (12, 13, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ )" [28 (30.5, 33, 37) cm] from beginning.

### **Shoulders**

Row 1: Bind off 12 (13, 13, 14) sts, work in Seed st to end of row—33 (34, 36, 37) sts. Row 2: Bind off 12 (13, 13, 14) sts, work in Seed st to end of row—21 (21, 23, 23) sts. Slip remaining sts onto holder for back neck.

## LEFT FRONT

With larger needles and **A**, cast on 25 (27, 31, 33) sts.

**Row 1:** Work in Seed st to end of row. Shape Front Edge

Row 2 (Right Side - increase): Work in Seed st to last st, M1, k1 (front edge)—26 (28, 32, 34) sts.

**Row 3:** Work in Seed st to end of row. Repeat last 2 rows 9 more times—35 (37, 41, 43) sts.

Work even in Seed st until piece measures 6 (6½, 7, 8)" [15 (16.5, 18, 20.5) cm] from beginning, end with a Wrong Side row

## **Shape Armhole and Neck Edge**

Row 1 (Right Side): Bind off 2 (3, 4, 5) sts, work in Seed st to last 2 sts, k2tog—32 (33, 36, 37) sts.

Row 2: Work in Seed st to end of row.

Row 3: K2tog, work in Seed st to last 2 sts, k2tog 30 (31, 34, 35) ets

k2tog—30 (31, 34, 35) sts.

Rows 4–7: Repeat last 2 rows 2 more times—26 (27, 30, 31) sts.

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## Shape Neck Edge Only

Row 8: Work in Seed st to end of row.
Row 9: Work in Seed st to last 2 sts,
k2tog—25 (26, 29, 30) sts.
Repeat last 2 rows 13 (13, 16, 16) more
times—12 (13, 13, 14) sts.
Work even in Seed st until piece measures
same as back to shoulder.
Bind off.

## RIGHT FRONT

Work same as left front. Seed st is reversible. Turn piece over to create right front.

# **FINISHING**

#### **Lower Back Band**

With Right Side facing, circular needle, and **B**, pick up and k55 (59, 63, 67) sts evenly spaced across lower edge of back.

Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles. Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 14 rows. Bind off loosely.

Sew shoulder seams.

#### **Front Bands**

With Right Side facing, circular needle, and **B**, beginning in lower corner at side edge of right front, pick up and k25 (27, 31, 33) sts evenly spaced across lower edge of right front, 18 sts across curved right front edge, 18 (20, 22, 28) sts across straight right front edge, 30 (32, 34, 38) sts up right front neck edge, knit across the 21 (21, 23, 23) back neck sts on holder, pick up and k30 (32, 34, 38) sts across left front neck edge, 18 (20, 22, 28) sts across straight left front edge, 18 sts across curved left front edge, 25 (27, 31, 33) sts across lower edge of left front—203 (215, 233, 257) sts.

Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles. Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 14 rows. Bind off loosely.

## **Armhole Edging**

With Right Side facing, circular needle and **B**, pick up and k54 (58, 66, 74) sts evenly across one armhole opening. Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles. Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 14 rows.

Bind off loosely. Repeat across other armhole opening.

Sew side seams, carefully matching Double Garter st bands. Weave in ends.

## **Attach Buttons and Snaps**

Place vest face up and mark placement for 3 buttons, sew buttons on right front with thread. Sew one half of snap on Wrong Side of right front behind each button. Mark placement for other half of snaps on left front and sew in place. If desired, buttons and snaps can be reversed to show on left front.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** A and  $\mathbf{B} = \text{Color A}$ , and Color B;  $\mathbf{k} = \text{knit}$ ;  $\mathbf{k2tog} = \text{knit next 2 sts together}$ ;  $\mathbf{p} = \text{purl}$ ;  $\mathbf{st(s)} = \text{stitch(es)}$ ; \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.



