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### V-Neck Cardigan

### SIZES

3 mos (6 mos, 12 mos, 2T, 4T, 6 yrs, 8 yrs, 10 yrs)

#### **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

**Chest:** 21¼ (23¾, 24, 25¼, 26½, 28, 29½, 31¼)'' **Length:** 12¾ (14, 14¾, 16¼, 17¾, 19¼, 20¾, 22)"

### MATERIALS

**Premier<sup>®</sup> Yarns** *Dottie*<sup>™</sup> (100% Acrylic; 7oz/200g, 656yds/600m)

 2008-08 Reef – 1 (1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2) ball(s)

**Needle:** US Size 5 (3.75 mm) and US Size 4 (3.5 mm) 24" circular needle and set of dpns, US Size 4 (3.5 mm) 40" or longer circular needle *or size needed to obtain gauge* 

**Notions:** Tapestry needle, stitch markers, stitch holders or waste yarn, 4 (5, 5, 5, 6, 7, 7, 7) –  $\frac{1}{2}$ " buttons

### GAUGE

22 sts x 28 rows = 4" in St st Save time, check your gauge.

### Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Knit and purl stitches.
- Knitting in the round.
- Make one right and left increases.
- K2tog and ssk decreases.
- Sewing buttons.

### **STITCH GUIDE**

1x1 Rib (even number of sts)Row (Rnd) 1: \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end.Rep Row (Rnd) 1 for patt.

### **PATTERN NOTES**

This cardigan is worked from the top-down with raglan shaping. The front bands are worked flat in one piece using a long circular needle to accommodate the large number of stitches.

### CARDIGAN

### Setup

With circular needle, cast on 40 (46, 50, 52, 54, 58, 60, 64) sts, long-tail cast on recommended. **Setup Row (WS):** P3, pm, p6 (8, 10, 10, 10, 12, 12, 14), pm, p22 (24, 24, 26, 28, 28, 30, 30), pm, p6 (8, 10, 10, 10, 12, 12, 14), pm, p3.

### **Raglan and Neck Shaping**

Note: In this section, the increases are worked at different rates for the Neck, Sleeves and Body. Read through the entire section before proceeding.

Inc Row (RS): K1, m1R (Neck Inc), \*knit to 1 st bef m, m1R (Body Inc), k1, sm, k1, m1L (Sleeve Inc), knit to 1 st bef m, m1R (Sleeve Inc), k1, sm, k1, m1L (Body Inc); rep from \* twice, knit to last st, m1L (Neck Inc), k1 – 10 sts inc'd. All other rows: Work even in St st. Rep Neck Incs every other RS row 6 (8, 7, 8, 10, 8, 9, 7) more times and then every 6<sup>th</sup> row 1 (0, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2, 4) time(s), **Body Incs** every RS row 12 (15, 14, 12, 13, 15, 15, 19) more times and then every other RS row 2 (1, 2, 4, 4, 4, 5, 4) time(s), and Sleeve Incs every RS row 14 (17, 18, 18, 21, 19, 19, 19) more times and then every other RS row 1 (0, 0, 1, 0, 2, 3, 4) time(s) - 130 (148, 152, 158, 172, 180, 190, 206) sts inc'd, 180 (204, 212, 220, 236, 248, 260, 280) sts total. End having just worked a WS row.

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#### Separate Body and Sleeves

**Next Row (RS):** [Knit to m, remove marker and place next 38 (44, 48, 50, 54, 56, 58, 62) sts on stitch holder, cast on 6 (6, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8) sts using backwards loop cast on], remove next m] twice, knit to end – 116 (128, 132, 136, 144, 152, 160, 172) sts.

### Body

Work even in St st until piece meas 6 (6¾, 7½, 8¼, 9½, 10¼, 11½, 12)" from underarm cast on.

### Hem

Switch to smaller circular needle, work even in **1x1 Rib** for 2", loosely bind off in rib.

### Sleeves

Place held Sleeve sts on larger dpns. Join yarn and for working in the rnd, pick up and knit 3 (3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4) sts along underarm cast on, pm (beg/end rnd m), pick up and knit 3 (3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4) sts along underarm cast on. Knit 4 (6, 4, 8, 10, 12, 14, 14) rnds. **Dec Rnd:** K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 2 sts dec'd.

### All other rnds: Knit.

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Rep Dec Rnd every 6<sup>th</sup> rnd 1 (1, 0, 3, 5, 6, 10, 10) more time(s) and then every 4<sup>th</sup> rnd 2 (3, 7, 5, 4, 4, 0, 2) times – 6 (8, 14, 16, 18, 20, 20, 24) sts dec'd, 36 (40, 40, 40, 42, 42, 44, 44) sts rem. Knit 4 rnds.

### Cuffs

Switch to smaller dpns, work 1½" even in **1x1 Rib**. Loosely bind off sts in rib. Rep for other Sleeve.

### FINISHING

### **Front Bands**

With RS facing and longer circular needle, pick up and knit 181 (199, 211, 229, 245, 265, 285, 301) sts. **Row 1 (WS):** P1, \*k1, p1; rep from \* to end. **Row 2 (RS):** \*K1, p1; rep from \* to last st, k1. Work Rows 1-2, and then Row 1 once, if not adding buttons, work Rows 1-2, 3 times and then Row 1 once. **Buttonhole Row (RS):** Work 6 (4, 5, 7, 5, 3, 6, 7) sts in patt, \*k2tog, yo, work 8 sts in patt; rep from \* 2 (3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5) more times, k2tog, yo, work in patt to end - 4 (5, 5, 5, 6, 7, 7, 7) buttonholes total. Work Rows 1-2, and then Row 1 once. Loosely bind off all sts in patt.

Sew buttons opposite buttonholes. Weave in ends.

### Abbreviations

- bef before begin(ning) beg dec('d) decrease(d) **dpn(s)** double point needle(s) **inc('d)** increase(d) k knit **k2tog** knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd) marker m m1R make 1 stitch, right leaning (1 st inc'd) make 1 stitch, left leaning (1 st inc'd) m1L measures meas purl р
- pun
- patt pattern
- **pm** place marker
- rem remain(ing)

### rep repeat

- rnd(s) round(s)
- RS right side
- sm slip marker
- ssk slip next 2 sts individually knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, knit them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)
  st(s) stitch(es)
- St st Stockinette stitch: knit on RS rows, purl on WS rows.
- **St st** Stockinette stitch: knit every rnd.
- WS wrong side
- yo yarn over

