Hooded Cardigan

SIZES
XS (Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X)
Shown in Medium Size with approx. 4" positive ease.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
Chest: 35¼ (39¼, 42¾, 47¾, 51¼, 55¼, 59, 63¾, 67¼)"
Length: 23 (23½, 24, 24½, 25, 25¼, 25¾, 25¾, 26¼)"

MATERIALS
Premier® Yarns *Anti-Pilling Everyday® Worsted* (100% Anti-Pilling Acrylic; 3.5oz/100g, 180yds/165m)
- 100-71 Dove – 6 (6, 7, 7, 8, 8, 9, 9, 10) balls

Needle: US Size 8 (5 mm) 24-32" circular needle and dpns, US Size 7 (4.5 mm) 2 - 24-32" circular needles or 1 – 40+" circular needle and dpns *or size needed to obtain gauge*
Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch markers, stitch holders or waste yarn, 6 (6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 8) – 1" buttons (optional)

GAUGE
18 sts x 24 rows = 4" in St st with larger needle
Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/ techniques used in this pattern:
- Knit and purl stitches
- Raglan construction and shaping
- Knitting in the round
- Small circumference knitting on dpns
- Kfb increases
- K2tog, k3tog, s2kp and ssk decreases
- Picking up stitches
- 3-needle bind off

STITCH GUIDE
1x1 Twisted Rib Flat *(even number of sts)*
Row 1: *K1 tbl, p1; rep from * to end.
Rep Row 1 for patt.

1x1 Twisted Rib Rnd *(even number of sts)*
Rnd 1: *K1 tbl, p1; rep from * to end.
Rnd 2: *K1, p1 tbl; rep from * to end.
Rep Rnds 1-2 for patt.

PATTERN NOTES
This unisex sweater is worked from the bottom up, in one piece with raglan shaping. For a fit as modeled, choose a size 2-4" larger than chest/full bust measurement. The front band is worked in one piece, either on one long circular needle or two shorter circular needles are used.

CARDIGAN
Body
With smaller circular needle, cast on 150 (168, 184, 206, 222, 240, 256, 278, 294) sts, do not join in the rnd. Work even in **1x1 Twisted Rib Flat** until piece meas 3" from cast-on edge.

Switch to larger circular needle, continue working flat. Work even in St st until piece meas 14" from cast-on edge, end having just worked a RS row.
Next Row (WS): P34 (38, 40, 46, 48, 49, 51, 54, 56), bind off next 4 (4, 8, 8, 12, 18, 22, 28, 32) sts, p74 (84, 88, 98, 102, 106, 110, 114, 118), bind off next 4 (4, 8, 8, 12, 18, 22, 28, 32) sts, p34 (38, 40, 46, 48, 49, 51, 54, 56).

Leave rem 142 (160, 168, 190, 198, 204, 212, 222, 230) sts on circular needle, or if needle is needed for sleeves, place on stitch holders or waste yarn and set aside.

Sleeves *(Make 2)*
With smaller dpns, cast on 36 (40, 40, 40, 40, 40, 44, 44, 44) sts, pm and join to work in the rnd careful not to twist sts. Work even in **1x1 Twisted Rib Rnd** until piece meas 3" from cast-on edge. Switch to larger dpns and work 14 (14, 8, 6, 4, 4, 4, 4, 2) rnds in St st.
Inc Rnd: K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 2 sts inc'd.
All other rnds: Work even in St st.
Rep Inc Rnd every 4th rnd 0 (0, 0, 0, 7, 19, 16, 22, 28) more times, every 6th rnd 2 (6, 8, 17, 7, 5, 7, 3, 0) times and then every 8th rnd 9 (6, 6, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) times – 22 (24, 28, 34, 40, 48, 46, 50, 56) sts inc'd, 60 (66, 70, 76, 82, 90, 92, 96, 102) sts total. Work 14 (14, 8, 6, 4, 4, 4, 4, 2) rnds even in St st.
Next Rnd: Knit to 2 (2, 4, 4, 6, 9, 11, 14, 16) sts bef m, bind off 2 (2, 4, 4, 6, 9, 11, 14, 16) sts, remove m, bind off 2 (2, 4, 4, 6, 9, 11, 14, 16) sts – 4 (4, 8, 8, 12, 18, 22, 28, 32) sts dec'd.
Place first Sleeve on stitch holder or waste yarn. Rep for other Sleeve, leave second Sleeve on dpns.

Join Sleeves and Body
If necessary, place Body sts on larger circular needle, join yarn to Body at right front with RS facing, work across front in patt to bound off sts, pm, knit across second Sleeve sts, pm, knit across back sts, place first Sleeve on dpns, pm, knit across first Sleeve sts, pm, to indicate beg/end of rnd – 254 (284, 292, 326, 338) (348, 352, 358, 370) sts total.

Next Row (WS): Purl.

Raglan Shaping
Note: The raglan Body and Sleeve decreases take place at different rates, read through this section before proceeding.
Dec Row (RS): [Knit to 3 sts bef m, ssk (Body Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Sleeve Dec), knit to 3 sts bef next m, ssk (Sleeve Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Body Dec)] twice, knit to end – 8 sts dec'd.
All other rows: Work even in St st.
Rep Body Decs every other RS row 5 (3, 3, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) more times, and then every RS row 6 (12, 13, 19, 22, 23, 26, 26, 28) times; rep Sleeve Decs every other RS row 0 (0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 3, 4) more time(s), and then every RS row 16 (18, 17, 21, 22, 23, 20, 18, 18) times – 116 (140, 144, 172, 184, 192, 196, 192, 204) sts dec'd, 138 (144, 148, 154, 154, 156, 156, 166, 166) sts rem.

Neck and Raglan Shaping
Neck Bind Off Row 1 (RS): Bind off 4 (4, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10) sts, [knit to 3 sts bef m, ssk (Body Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Sleeve Dec), knit to 3 sts bef next m, ssk (Sleeve Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Body Dec)] twice, knit to end – 12 (12, 14, 14, 16, 16, 16, 18, 18) sts dec'd.
Neck Bind Off Row 2 (WS): Bind off 4 (4, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10) sts, purl to end – 4 (4, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10) sts dec'd, 126 (132, 134, 140, 138, 140, 140, 148, 148) sts rem.
Dec Row (RS): K1, ssk (Neck Dec), [knit to 3 sts bef m, ssk (Body Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Sleeve Dec), knit to 3 sts bef next m, ssk (Sleeve Dec), k1, sm, k1, k2tog (Body Dec)] twice, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog (Neck Dec), k1 – 10 sts dec'd.

All other rows: Work even in St st.
Rep Neck Decs every RS row 5 (6, 5, 6, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5) more times; Body Decs every RS row 6 more times; rep Sleeve Decs every RS row 6 more times – 58 (62, 66, 70, 72, 72, 72, 80, 80) sts rem.
Work 1 WS row even, then loosely bind off all sts.

FINISHING
Hood
With larger circular needle and RS facing, pick up and knit 70 (76, 82, 84, 88, 90, 90, 98, 98) sts along neck opening.
Next Row (WS): P35 (38, 41, 42, 44, 45, 45, 49, 49), pm, p to end.
Inc Row (RS): K to 3 sts bef m, kfb, k1, sm, k1, kfb, knit to end — 2 sts inc'd.
All other rows: Work even in St st.
Rep Inc Row every RS row once more and then every other RS row 5 times — 12 sts inc'd, 84 (90, 96, 98, 102, 104, 104, 112, 112) sts total.
Work even in patt until Hood meas 11¾ (11¾, 12¼, 12¼, 12¼, 12¼, 12¼, 13¼, 13¼)" from neck pick up.

Dec Row 1 (RS): K to 3 sts bef m, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog, knit to end — 2 sts dec'd.
All other rows: Work even in patt.
Work 3 rows even in patt, then rep Dec Row 1 every RS row 4 times — 8 sts dec'd.

Dec Row 2 (RS): K to 5 sts bef m, [ssk] twice, k1, sm, k1, [k2tog] twice, knit to end — 4 sts dec'd.
All other rows: Work even in patt.
Rep Dec Row 2 every RS row 3 more times — 12 sts dec'd.

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Dec Row 3 (RS): K to 6 sts bef m, ssk, sk2pk, k1, sm, k1, k3tog, k2tog, knit to end — 6 sts dec'd, 52 (58, 64, 66, 70, 72, 72, 80, 80) sts rem.

Fold Hood RS together and finish with three-needle bind off.

Front Band
Note: If not adding buttons, work Buttonhole Rows even in patt.
With RS facing, smaller circular needles, pick up and knit 372 (378, 388, 394, 396, 402, 406, 412, 418) sts along edge of Fronts and Hood. Work 5 rows even in **1x1 Twisted Rib Flat**, end having just worked a WS row.
Buttonhole Row 1 (RS): Work 6 sts in patt, *bind off 4 sts, work 12 sts even in patt; rep from * 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) more times, bind off 4 sts, work even in patt to end.
Buttonhole Row 2 (WS): *Work even in patt to bound off sts, cast on 4 sts; rep from * to last buttonhole, work even in patt to end.
Work 4 rows even, loosely bind off all sts in patt.

Sew seam at each underarm, sew buttons opposite buttonholes. Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

bef	before
beg	begin(ning)
cont	continue
dec('d)	decrease(d)
dpn(s)	double point needle(s)
inc('d)	increase(d)
k	knit
kfb	knit into the front and back of the next st (1 st inc'd)
k2tog	knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
k3tog	knit 3 sts together (2 sts dec'd)
m	marker
meas	measures
p	purl
patt	pattern
pm	place marker
rem	remain(ing)
rep	repeat(ing)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sk2p	slip 1 st as if to k, k2tog, pass slipped st over k2tog (2 sts dec'd)
ssk	slip slip knit (1 st dec'd)
st(s)	stitch(es)
St st	Stockinette stitch: knit every rnd.
tbl	through the back loop
WS	wrong side