



## Racerback Tank

Level: Advanced

### SIZES

Small (Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, 3X)  
Shown in Size Small

### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Bust:** 37¼ (41¼, 45, 48¾, 53¼, 57¼)"  
**Length:** 23¼ (23½, 24, 24½, 25¼, 25½)"

### MATERIALS

**Premier® Yarns Hipster Cotton™**  
(100% Cotton; 3.5oz/100g, 229yds/210m)

- 2010-02 Fuchsia Fun – 3 (3, 4, 4, 4, 5) balls

**Needle:** US Size 6 (4 mm) 24-32" circular needle and US Size 5 (3.75 mm) 16-24" circular needle or size needed to obtain gauge

**Notions:** Tapestry needle, stitch markers, stitch holders or waste yarn

### GAUGE

21 sts x 28 rnds = 4" in St st  
**Save time, check your gauge.**

### PATTERN NOTES

This Tank is worked from the bottom up in the round to the armholes and then the back and front are worked flat separately and then the shoulders are seamed.

### TANK

Cast on 204 (224, 248, 268, 288, 308) sts, pm and join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

**Setup Rnd:** K102 (112, 124, 134, 144, 154) pm, knit to end.

Work 3 rnds even in St st.

**Next Rnd:** Purl.

Cont even in St st for 90 (90, 86, 86, 90, 90) rnds, or until piece meas 14" from cast-on edge.

**Dec Rnd:** [K1, k2tog, knit to 3 sts bef m, ssk, k1, sm] twice – 4 sts dec'd.

**All other rnds:** Work even in St st.

Rep dec rnd every 4<sup>th</sup> rnd 1 (1, 2, 2, 1, 1) more time(s) – 4 (4, 8, 8, 4, 4) sts dec'd, 196 (216, 236, 256, 280, 300) sts rem.

### Front Armhole Shaping

**Front and Back Separation Row:** [Knit to 5 (6, 7, 8, 9, 10) sts bef m, bind off

5 (6, 7, 8, 9, 10) sts, remove m, bind off

5 (6, 7, 8, 9, 10) sts] twice, place half of the sts (Back) on stitch holder or waste yarn, knit to first set of bound off sts –

88 (96, 104, 112, 122, 130) Front sts rem.

**Next Row (WS):** Purl.

**Dec Row (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 2 sts dec'd.

**All other rows:** Work even in patt.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 3 (3, 4, 4, 3, 5) more times and then every other RS row

3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 3) times – 12 (12, 14, 14, 14, 16) sts dec'd, 74 (82, 88, 96, 106, 112) sts rem.

Work 8 (10, 12, 14, 16, 18) rows even in St st, end having just worked a WS row.

### Front Neck Shaping

**Bind off Row (RS):** K28 (30, 30, 33, 36, 37)

(Left Shoulder), bind off 18 (22, 28, 30, 34, 38)

sts, knit to end. Place Left Shoulder sts on stitch holder or waste yarn, 28 (30, 30, 33, 36, 37)

(Right Shoulder) sts rem.

### Right Shoulder

**Next Row (WS):** Purl.

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## Sizes 2X and 3X ONLY

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 3 sts, knit to end – 3 sts dec'd.

**Row 2 (WS):** Purl.

Rep the last 2 rows once more – 3 sts dec'd, 30 (31) sts rem.

## All Sizes

**Dec Row (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to end – 1 st dec'd.

**All other rows:** Work even in patt.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 11 (15, 15, 16, 12, 14) more times and then every other RS row 2 (0, 0, 0, 1, 0) time(s) – 13 (15, 15, 16, 13, 14) sts dec'd, 14 (14, 14, 16, 16, 16) sts rem. Bind off sts.

## Left Shoulder

Place held sts on working needle and join yarn.

**Next Row (WS):** Purl.

## Sizes 2X and 3X ONLY

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2 (WS):** Bind off 3 sts, purl to end – 3 sts dec'd.

Rep the last 2 rows once more – 3 sts dec'd, 30 (31) sts rem.

## All Sizes

**Dec Row (RS):** Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 1 st dec'd.

**All other rows:** Work even in patt.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 11 (15, 15, 16, 12, 14) more times and then every other RS row 2 (0, 0, 0, 1, 0) time(s) – 13 (15, 15, 16, 13, 14) sts dec'd, 14 (14, 14, 16, 16, 16) sts rem. Bind off sts.

## Back Armhole Shaping

Place held Back sts on working needle and join yarn.

Bind off 3 sts at the beg of the next 4 rows – 12 sts dec'd.

## Sizes 1X, 2X and 3X ONLY

Bind off 2 sts at the beg of the next 4 rows – 8 sts dec'd.

## Size 3X ONLY

Bind off 2 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows – 4 sts dec'd.

## All Sizes

**Dec Row (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 2 sts dec'd.

**All other rows:** Work even in patt.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 11 (14, 15, 12, 15, 14) more times and then every other RS row 1 (0, 0, 1, 0, 0) time – 24 (24, 30, 26, 30, 28) sts dec'd, 50 (54, 60, 64, 70, 76) sts rem.

Work 2 rows even in St st, end having just worked a WS row.

**Inc Row (RS):** K1, m1R, knit to last st, m1L, k1 – 2 sts inc'd.

**All other rows:** Work even in patt.

Rep Inc Row every other RS row 2 (1, 1, 0, 0, 0) more time(s), (**Sizes 1X and 3X ONLY** – work 2 rows even), and then every RS row 2 (5, 5, 8, 11, 10) times – 8 (12, 10, 16, 22, 20) sts inc'd, 60 (68, 74, 82, 92, 98) sts total.

## Back Armhole and Neck Shaping

**Bind Off Row (RS):** K1, m1R, k13 (13, 13, 15, 15, 15) (Right Shoulder), bind off 32 (40, 46, 50, 60, 66) sts, knit to last st, m1L, k1, place Right Shoulder sts on stitch holder or waste yarn.

## Left Shoulder

**Row 1 (WS):** Purl

**Row 2 (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to last st, m1L.

Rep last 2 rows, 5 more times, work a WS row.

**Dec Row (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to end – 1 st dec'd, 14 (14, 14, 16, 16, 16) sts rem.  
Work a WS row. Bind off sts.

## Right Shoulder

Place held sts on working needle and join yarn.

**Row 1 (WS):** Purl

**Row 2 (RS):** K1, m1R, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Rep last 2 rows, 5 more times, work a WS row.

**Dec Row (RS):** Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 1 st dec'd, 14 (14, 14, 16, 16, 16) sts rem.  
Work a WS row. Bind off sts.

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## FINISHING

Sew Right Front Shoulder strap to Right Back Shoulder strap, rep for Left Shoulder.

## Neck Edging

With smaller circular needle, pick up and knit 126 (138, 150, 158, 172, 182) sts around neck opening, pm and join to work in the rnd. Work 4 rows even in St st. Loosely bind off all sts.

## Armhole Edging

With smaller circular needle, pick up and knit 224 (232, 246, 260, 274, 280) sts around armhole opening, pm and join to work in the rnd. Work 4 rnds even in St st. Loosely bind off all sts. Rep for other Armhole.

Weave in ends.

## Abbreviations

<b>bef</b>	before
<b>beg</b>	begin(ning)
<b>cont</b>	continue
<b>dec('d)</b>	decrease(d)
<b>inc('d)</b>	increase(d)
<b>k</b>	knit
<b>k2tog</b>	knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
<b>m</b>	marker
<b>m1R</b>	make 1 stitch, right leaning
<b>m1L</b>	make 1 stitch, left leaning
<b>meas</b>	measures
<b>p</b>	purl
<b>patt</b>	pattern
<b>pm</b>	place marker
<b>rem</b>	remain(ing)
<b>rep</b>	repeat(ing)
<b>rnd(s)</b>	round(s)
<b>RS</b>	right side
<b>sm</b>	slip marker
<b>ssk</b>	slip slip knit (1 st dec'd)
<b>st(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>St st</b>	Stockinette stitch: knit on RS rows, purl on WS rows
<b>St st</b>	Stockinette stitch: knit every rnd
<b>WS</b>	wrong side

