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Colors Shown: #1110 Grey (MC) & #1108 Shifting Sands (CC) (above)

SKILL LEVEL:



SIZES and MATERIALS: Hip Circumference: 30" (35", 40", 45")

This pattern is written for a knee-length vest. Adjustments for a shorter vest are indicated in red with square brackets: [x]

Featured Yarn: HiKoo® *Sueño*, 80% Superwash Merino Wool, 20% Viscose from Bamboo; 255yds / 100g per hank.

MC Yarn = 4 [4, 4, 5] 5 (5, 5, 6) hanks

CC Yarn = 2 [2, 2, 2] 2, (2, 2, 2) hanks

addi® Needles & Notions:

4mm (approx. US 6) 16" circular needle

5mm (approx. US 8) 40" circular needle

5mm (approx. US 8) DPNs set of three

6mm (approx. US 10) 40" circular needle

7mm (approx. US 11) circular, straight, or DPN needle

or size needed to obtain gauge

Tapestry needle, locking stitch markers

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GAUGE:

20 sts and 28 rows over 4" x 4" (10 cm x 10 cm) in St st on US 8 needle.

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Designer's Notes:

Fit: This pattern is written for a knee-length vest with an option for a shorter version. It is sized to fit the hips, but instructions are given to alter the pattern if the bust measurement is larger or smaller than the hip measurement.

Construction: The vest is knit from the bottom up starting with left and right front panels and a back panel, which are then joined to form the body of the vest. Instructions are given for left and right inset pockets. At the underarm, the body is again divided with left and right shoulder and back panels knit up separately and then joined at the shoulder. Lastly, a Center Band is knit up one side, around the neck, and down the other side.

INSTRUCTIONS:**Left Front Panel:**

Using MC and US 8 40" circular needle, cast on 30 (36, 42, 48) sts.

Row 1 (WS): P first and last sts; k all other sts.

Row 2 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Optional: For ease in telling RS from WS, attach a locking stitch marker to the RS.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until there are 8 Garter Ridges on RS, ending with RS row.

Row 17 (WS): P until 5 sts remain, place marker, k4, p1.

Row 18 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Row 19 (WS): P until 5 sts remain, slip marker, k4, p1.

Repeat Rows 18 & 19 until there are [20] 45 Garter Ridges on WS, ending with a WS row.

Break yarn, leaving a 12" tail to weave in. Transfer all sts and stitch markers to waste yarn.

Back Panel:

Using MC, cast on 78 (94, 110, 126) sts.

Row 1 (WS): P first and last sts; k all other sts.

Row 2 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Optional: For ease in telling RS from WS, attach a locking stitch marker to the RS.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until there are 8 Garter Ridges on RS, ending with RS row.

Row 17 (WS): P1, k4, place marker, p until 5 sts remain, place marker, k4, p1.

Row 18 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Row 19 (WS): P1, k4, slip marker, p until 5 sts remain, slip marker, k4, p1.

Repeat Rows 18 & 19 until there are [20] 45 Garter Ridges on WS, ending with a WS row.

Break yarn, leaving a 12" tail to weave in. Transfer all sts and stitch markers to waste yarn.

Right Front Panel:

Using MC, cast on 30 (36, 42, 48) sts.

Row 1 (WS): P first and last sts; k all other sts.

Row 2 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Optional: For ease in telling RS from WS, attach a locking stitch marker to the RS.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until there are 8 Garter Ridges on RS, ending with RS row.

Row 17 (WS): P1, k4, place marker, p to end of row.

Row 18 (RS): Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Row 19 (WS): P1, k4, slip marker, p to end of row.

Repeat Rows 18 & 19 until there are [20] 45 Garter Ridges on WS, ending with a WS row.

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Join Body:

Transfer Back Panel sts and Left Front Panel sts and stitch markers from the waste yarn to the 40" US 8 circular needle, thus joining all Body sts. Make sure the RS of all three pieces face in the same direction. 138 (166, 194, 222) stitches

RS Row: Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

WS Row: P to 1st marker, k to 2nd marker, p to 3rd marker, k to 4th marker, p to end.

Repeat these two rows three more times, ending with a WS row, creating four Garter Ridges above the side slits. Remove stitch markers.

Optional: Baste the side slits closed using waste yarn to hold the garment's shape while continuing to work.

Continue working in stockinette:

RS Rows: Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

WS Rows: p all sts.

Repeat these two rows until work measures [8"] 16" from cast on edge, ending with a RS row.

Pocket Welts:

WS Row: p6, place marker, k24, place marker, p78 (106, 134, 162), place marker, k24, place marker, p to end.

RS Row: Slip first and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

WS Row: p6, slip marker, k24, slip marker, p78 (106, 134, 162), slip marker, k24, slip marker, p to end.

Repeat the last two rows three more times, ending with a WS row, creating four Garter Ridges on RS at the right and left pocket locations.

RS Row: Slip 6 sts purlwise, remove marker, transfer 24 sts to US 8 DPN, remove marker, slip 78 (106, 134, 162) sts purlwise, remove marker, transfer 24 sts to second US 8 DPN, remove marker, slip remaining sts purlwise.

Hold the slipped sts on the 40" US 8 circular needle while working the pocket linings on the US 8 DPNs.

Pocket Linings:

On RS, attach a separate ball of MC yarn to the right side of the right pocket and work in stockinette:

RS Row: p all sts.

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k all sts.

Repeat last two rows until pocket lining measures 8". Break yarn, leaving a 12" tail to weave in.

[OPTIONAL: Work first and last few rows of pocket lining in MC yarn. Switch to CC yarn for the middle rows for a pocket lining of contrasting color.]

Repeat above for left pocket lining.

Continue Body:

With original MC yarn, resume working the body. Transfer pocket sts from the US8 DPNs to the 40" US 8 circular needle as you work the next row:

RS Row: Slip 1st st knitwise, k5, k24 pocket sts, k78 (106, 134, 162), k24 pocket sts, k5, slip last st knitwise.

Optional: Baste the pockets closed using waste yarn to hold the garment's shape while continuing to work.

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: Slip 1st and last sts knitwise; k all other sts.

Place stitch markers to mark the left and right "side seams", directly above each side slit: 30 (36, 42, 48) left front sts, 78 (94, 110, 126) back sts, 30 (36, 42, 48) right front sts.

Repeat last two rows, above, until garment measures [18"] 27" from cast on edge, ending with a WS row.



Short Version Shown: #1135 Indigo & 1137 Steel Blue

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NOTE: In this section of the garment, above, between the pockets and the underarm bind off, sts can be added or subtracted to adjust for a bust measurement that is larger or smaller than the hip measurement. Add as many increase or decrease rows as are needed at approx. even intervals between pockets and underarm. **This may change the yardage required.**

For each ½" to be **increased** for bust, work the following row:

RS Row: Slip 1st st as if to knit, k to 1 st before 1st stitch marker, M1L, sm, M1R, k to 1st st before 2nd stitch marker, M1L, sm, M1R, k to last st, slip last st as if to knit.

For each ½" to be **decreased** for bust, work the following row:

RS Row: Slip 1st st as if to knit, k to 1 st before 1st stitch marker, SSK, sm, K2tog, k to 1st before 2nd stitch marker, SSK, sm, K2tog, k to last st, slip last st as if to knit.

Any sts added or decreased will alter the stitch counts, below, for armhole and shoulder shaping. The important thing is to end up with 9 (12, 15, 18) stitches at each of the left front, right front, back left and back right shoulders.

RS Row: Slip 1st st knitwise, k to 10 sts before 1st stitch marker, BO 20 sts (removing stitch marker), k to 10 sts before 2nd stitch marker, BO 20 sts (removing stitch marker), k to next to last st, slip last st knitwise.

20 (26, 32, 38) left front shoulder sts, 58 (74, 90, 106) back shoulder sts, 20 (26, 32, 38) right front shoulder sts.

Thread dental floss (or similar contrasting color thread) through all sts in each of the three separate sections to mark the beginning of upper body shaping.

Transfer 20 (26, 32, 38) right front shoulder sts and 58 (74, 90, 106) back shoulder sts to separate stitch holders or to separate pieces of contrasting color waste yarn.

Left Front Shoulder – Armhole Shaping:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k1, SSK, k to next to last st, slip last st knitwise.

Repeat these two rows four times ending with a RS row: 5 sts decreased.

Left Front Shoulder – Neck Shaping:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k to last 3 sts, k2tog, slip last st knitwise.

Repeat these two rows until 9 (12, 15, 18) sts remain.

Continue in stockinette:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k to next to last st, slip last st knitwise.

Repeat these two rows until shoulder measures 7" (8", 9", 10") from the thread line.

Cut yarn, leaving a 24" tail. Transfer all sts to a stitch holder or to contrasting color waste yarn. 9 (12, 15, 18) sts.

Right Front Shoulder – Armhole Shaping:

Using the 40" US 8 circular needle, pick up 20 (26, 32, 38) right front shoulder sts from the stitch holder or waste yarn. Remove waste yarn but leave dental floss in place.

Attach MC yarn.

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: Slip 1st st knitwise, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

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Repeat these two rows four more times ending with a RS row: 5 sts decreased.

Right Front Shoulder – Neck Shaping:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: Slip 1st st knitwise, SSK, k to end of row.

Repeat these two rows until 9 (12, 15, 18) sts remain.

Continue in stockinette:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: Slip 1st st knitwise, k to end of row.

Repeat these two rows until shoulder measures 7" (8", 9", 10") from the thread line.

Cut yarn, leaving a 24" tail. Transfer all sts to a stitch holder or to contrasting color waste yarn.

9 (12, 15, 18) sts.

Back – Armhole Shaping:

Using the 40" US 8 circular needle, pick up 58 (74, 90, 106) back sts from stitch holder or waste yarn. Remove waste yarn but leave dental floss in place.

Attach MC yarn.

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k1, SSK, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Repeat these two rows four times ending with a RS row: 10 sts decreased.

Continue in stockinette:

WS Row: p all sts.

RS Row: k all sts.

Repeat these two rows until back measures 5" (6", 7", 8") from the thread line, ending with a

WS row. 48 (64, 80, 96) sts.

Back – Neck Shaping:

RS Row: k20 (28, 36, 44) sts, BO 8 sts, k to end of row.

WS Row: p to bound off sts, turn.

RS Row: BO 2 sts, k to end of row.

Repeat last two rows until 9 (12, 15, 18) sts remain ending with a RS row.

Cut yarn, leaving a 36" tail. Transfer all sts to a stitch holder or to contrasting color waste yarn. 9 (12, 15, 18) sts.

With RS facing, slide remaining 20 (28, 36, 44) sts to the outside edge of the working needle and attach the MC yarn.

RS Row: K to bound off sts; turn.

WS Row: BO 2 sts, P to end of row.

Repeat last two rows until 9 (12, 15, 18) sts remain ending with a WS row.

Cut yarn, leaving a 36" tail. Transfer all sts to a stitch holder or to contrasting color waste yarn. 9 (12, 15, 18) sts.

Join Front and Back Shoulders:

With *right sides together*, join the corresponding front and back shoulders 9 (12, 15, 18) sts on the right shoulder using the Three Needle Bind Off using the 36" tail at the back shoulder and three US 8 DPNs.

Repeat for 9 (12, 15, 18) sts on the left and back shoulders.



Long Version Shown

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Arm Hole Welts:

Working on the RS and using a 16" US 6 circular needle, pick up and knit sts around the right arm hole. Start at the bottom center and work in a clockwise direction, picking up and knitting a stitch at 3 out of every 4 edge stitches. Place beginning of round marker at completion of first round.

Rnd 2: p all sts.

Rnd 3: k all sts.

Repeat Rnds 2 & 3 three more times ending with a knit round.

BO all sts *purlwise*.

Repeat for the left arm hole.

Center Band:

For a Solid Color Band:

Working on the RS, using a US 10 40" circular needle, and **holding the CC yarn double**, pick up and knit every slipped edge st on the right front, approx. 2 out of every 3 edge sts around the neck, and every slipped edge st on the left front – starting at the bottom edge of the right front.

Row 1 (WS): p the first and last sts; k all other sts.

Row 2 (RS): Slip as if to knit the 1st and last sts, k all other sts.

Repeat these two rows 8 (9, 10, 11) times, ending with a RS row.

BO all sts *purlwise* using a US 11 needle to keep the bind off loose.

For a Striped Band:

Working on the RS, using a US 10 40" circular needle, and **holding the MC yarn double**, pick up and knit every slipped edge st on the right front, approx. 2 out of every 3 edge sts around the neck, and every slipped edge st on the left front – starting at the bottom edge of the right front.

Row 1 (WS): Using **MC**, k all sts.

Row 2 (RS): Using **CC**, k all sts.

Row 3 (WS): Using **CC**, k all sts.

Row 4 (RS): Using **MC**, k all sts.

Repeat these four rows 4 (4, 5, 5) times, ending with a RS row.

Next Row (WS): Using **MC**, k all sts.

Last Row (RS): Using **MC**, BO all sts *knitwise* using a US 11 needle to keep the bind off loose.

FINISHING:

Sew up the side seams on pockets. Weave in all ends on WS. Wet block garment for shape. Remove basting threads.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Approx Approximate(ly)

BO Bind Off

Baste In sewing, basting is a temporary straight stitch used to hold layers together until a final stitch is sewn. Since it's a long, loose stitch, a basting stitch removes easily after sewing is complete.

CC Contrasting Color

DPN Double Pointed Needle

K Knit

K2tog Knit Two Stitches Together

M1L Make One Left

M1R Make One Right

MC Main Color

P purl

RS Right Side

SSK Slip Slip Knit

SM Slip Marker

St(s) Stitch(es)

St st Stockinette Stitch

WS Wrong Side

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