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Surprise Cardigan

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SKILL LEVEL:

SIZE and MATERIALS:

Sizes	S	M	L	XL	XXL
Finished Bust	35"	38"	41"	47"	50"
Yarn (in hanks)	7	7	8	8	9

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

addi Needles & Notions:

3.5 mm (approx US 6) straight or circular needles

3.5mm (approx US 6) 32" circular needle
or size needed to obtain gauge

Stitch holders, one 1" button, tapestry needle.

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STITCH PATTERN:

Sand Stitch: (mult of 2 sts)

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2 (WS): *K1, p1; repeat from * to end of row.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 for pattern.

GAUGE:

24 sts and 36 rows = 4" in St st

*To save time, check your gauge
and read all instructions thoroughly
before beginning.*

Note on Decreasing: When decreasing on a knit row, work decs at beg of the row as k1, k2tog, and all decs at the end of the rows as SSK, K1. When decreasing on a purl row, work decs at beg of the row as p1, p2tog through the back loop, and decs at the end of the row as p2tog, p1.



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INSTRUCTIONS:

Lower Back:

CO 120 (128, 138, 146, 156, 164) sts.

Knit 6 rows.

Change to St st and work even until the piece meas 3", ending after working a WS row.

Dec 1 stitch at each end of the next row, and then every following 10th row 6x more (14 sts dec) = 106 (114, 124, 132, 142, 150) sts.

Work even until piece meas 13".

Bind off all sts.

Lower Left Front:

CO 84 (88, 94, 97, 101, 107) sts.

Knit 6 rows.

Change to St st and work even until piece meas 3", ending after working a RS row.

Dec 1 stitch at the end of the next row, and then every following 10th row 6x more (7 decs total at armhole edge). **At the same time**, when piece meas 5", dec 1 stitch at neck edge every 3rd row, 24x = 53 (57, 63, 66, 70, 76) sts.

Work even, if necessary, until piece meas 13".

Bind off all sts.

Lower Right Front:

CO 84 (88, 94, 97, 101, 107) sts.

Knit 6 rows.

Change to St st and work even until piece meas 3", ending after working a WS row.

Dec 1 stitch at the end of the next row, and then every following 10th row 6x more (7 decs total at armhole edge). **At the same time**, when piece meas 5", dec 1 stitch at neck edge every 3rd row, 24x = 53 (57, 63, 66, 70, 76) sts.

Work even, if necessary, until piece meas 13".

Bind off all sts.

Right Sleeve & Right Front Bodice:

Note: Work proceeds now from Sleeve cuff across body.

CO 48 sts.

Work even in, Sand Stitch Pattern, until piece meas 2".

Cont in est pat, inc 1 stitch at beg and end of the next row, and then every following 8th (8th, 6th, 6th, 4th, 4th) row for a total of 15 (16, 18, 20, 24, 26)x = 78 (80, 84, 88, 96, 100) sts.

Work even, if necessary, until Sleeve meas 17" or desired length to underarm, ending after working a WS row.

CO 26 (28, 30, 30, 32, 32) sts at the beg of the next 2 rows = 130 (136, 144, 148, 160, 164) sts.

Cont working even in Sand Stitch until piece meas 5.5" (5.5", 6", 6", 7", 7") from these cast ons, ending after working a RS row.

Neckline Shaping:

With WS facing, work in est pat across 70 (70, 70, 72, 74, 74) sts and move these sts to a holder for Back, then bind off the next 12 sts and work in est pat to end of row.

Upper Right Front Shaping:

Row 1 (RS): Knit to the last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Row 2: P1, p3tog, work in est pat to end of row.

Note: Working in est pat means that sometimes the pat will begin with a p1, and sometimes it will begin with a k1 after the dec has been made.

Repeat the last 2 rows until there are 2 sts left.

K2tog and fasten off.

Upper Right Back:

Move the sts on hold (from the Right Front Bodice) back to the working needle and place a removable marker at the edge.

Cont working in Sand Stitch pat until the Upper Right Back meas 3.5" (3.75", 4", 4.5", 4.5", 5") from the marker. Remove marker, and place all sts on a holder for the center back seam.

Left Sleeve & Left Front Bodice:

Work as for right sleeve the left sleeve meas 17" or desired length to underarm, ending after working a WS row.

CO 26 (28, 30, 30, 32, 32) sts at the beg of the next 2 rows.

Cont working even in Sand Stitch until piece meas 5.5" (5.5", 6", 6", 7", 7") from these cast ons, ending after working a WS row.

Neckline Shaping:

With RS facing, work in est pat across 70 (70, 70, 72, 74, 74) sts and move these sts to a holder for Back, then bind off the next 12 sts and work in est pat to end of row.

Row 1 (WS): Cont in est pat, work to the last 3 sts, p2tog through the back loop, p1.

Row 2: K1, SSSK, knit to end of row.

Note: Working in est pat means that sometimes the pat will begin with a p1, and sometimes it will begin with a k1 after the dec has been made.

Repeat the last 2 rows until there are 2 sts left.

K2tog and fasten off.

Upper Left Back:

Move the sts on hold (from the Left Front Bodice) back to the working needle and place a removable marker at the edge.

Cont working in Sand Stitch pat until the Upper Left Back meas 3.5" (3.75", 4", 4.5", 4.5", 5") from the marker and remove marker.

Back Seam:

Move the sts on hold for the Upper Right Back to another needle and join the two upper backs together using the Three Needle Bind Off Technique.

FINISHING:

Sew fronts to back at side seams. Sew sleeve seams. Sew the side seams of the lower fronts to the lower back.

With right sides together and matching side seams and front edges, pin the upper body to the lower body, easing where necessary. Sew this seam.

Lower Front Edges:**Right Front Edging:**

With RS facing and starting at the cast on edge, PUK 30 sts along the straight first 5".

Knit 3 rows.

Bind off all sts.

Left Front Edging:

With RS facing and starting at the top of the straight edge, pick up and knit 30 sts along the straight 5", ending at the cast on edge.

Knit 3 rows.

Bind off all sts.

Neckband:

Using the circular needle, with RS facing, and starting at the top of the garter stitch Right Front Edging (just worked), PUK 58 sts along the sloping neck edge of the Lower Right Front, PM (for buttonhole), PUK 70 sts along the edge of the Upper Right Front and across the Back neck to the center back seam, PUK 70 sts from the center back seam across the left Back and down the Upper Left Front neck edge, PUK 58 sts along the sloping neck edge of the Lower Left Front, ending at the top of the garter stitch Left Front Edging (just worked).

Knit 7 rows.

Buttonhole Row: Knit to the marker, RM, BO 2 sts and knit to end of row.

Next Row: Knit to the bound off sts, CO 2 sts and knit to end of row.

Knit 6 rows.

Bind off all sts loosely.

Sew on button on to match buttonhole.

Weave in all ends.

Block lightly.

ABBREVIATIONS:

approx	approximate(ly)
beg	begin(ning)
BO	Bind Off
CO	Cast On
cont	continue(s) / continuing
dec(s)	decrease(s) / decreased / decreasing
est	established
inc(s)	increase(s) / increased / increasing
k	knit
k2tog	knit two stitches together as one (decreases 1 stitch)
p	purl
p2tog	purl two stitches together (decreases 1 stitch)
p3tog	purl three stitches together (decreases 2 stitches)
PM	Place Marker
RM	Remove Marker
RS	Right Side
SSK	Slip 2 stitches knit wise, one at a time, from the left needle to the right needle, then insert the left needle into the front of the slipped stitches and knit them together (decreases 1 stitch).
SSSK	Slip 3 stitches knitwise, one at a time, from the left needle to the right needle then insert the left needle into the front of the slipped stitches and knit them together (decreases 2 stitches).
st(s)	stitch(es)
St st	Stockinette Stitch (knit the right side rows, and purl the wrong side rows)
WS	Wrong Side
x	time(s)

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