

Make it Easy

Our sweater duet includes a Christmas tree pattern pullover for her and a handsome snowflake design pullover for him. Accent hers with sparkling bead "ornaments." Trim his pullover with contrasting single-rib bands. Knit both in basic stockinette stitch.

Materials

Yarn

Paternayan 3-Ply Persian Wool (8-yd. skeins) from JCA, Inc. For Christmas tree pullover, you'll need 5 skeins #710 Mustard (MC) and 1 skein #691 Loden. For snowflake pullover, you'll need 5 skeins #968 Red (MC) and 1 skein #263 Ecru (CC).

Needles

Knitting needles size 2 or size to obtain gauge.
Tapestry needle.
Sewing needle.

Notions

2 tiny metal snaps.
Rocaille beads in assorted colors.
Green sewing thread.

Directions

Gauge

6 sts and 9 rows = 1" in St st.
To save time, take time to check gauge.

Notes

Knit using 2 plys of yarn held together. Sew pieces together using one ply of yarn.
When changing colors, pick up new color from under dropped color to prevent holes. Use separate 2 plys of yarn for each color section.

CHRISTMAS TREE PULLOVER

Back: with MC, cast on 20 sts. Work even in St st (k 1 row, p 1 row) until piece measures 2½" from beg. **Armholes:** bind off 2 sts at beg. of next 2 rows—16 sts. Work even for 2 rows. **Divide for back neck opening:** work across first 8 sts, join another 2 ply of MC, finish row. Working both sides at once, work even until

Front

Work same as for back until piece measures 1½" from beg., end on wrong side. **Chart:** work across first 5 sts, beg. chart where indicated, finish row. Continue to work same as for back to armholes. Shape armholes same as for back. Work even until armholes measures 1", end on wrong side. **Front neck shaping:** work across first 6 sts, join another 2 ply of MC and bind off 4 center sts, finish row. Working both sides at once, dec 1 st each neck edge once—5 sts each side. Work even until armholes measure same as for back. Bind off each side.

Sleeves

With MC cast on 12 sts. Work in St st and inc 1 st each side every 4th row 3 times—18 sts. Work even until sleeve measures 3¼" from beg. Bind off.

Finishing

Sew shoulder seams. **Collar:** from right side with MC, pick up and k 20 sts evenly spaced across neck edge. Beg. with a p row, work even in St st for 1". **Embellish tree:** using sewing thread and sew-

ing needle, sew on rocaille bead "ornaments" alternating colors. At top of tree, sew on a cluster of gold beads for "tree topper." Sew on sleeves. Sew side and sleeve seams. Sew on snap to top of back neck opening.

SNOWFLAKE PULLOVER

Back: with CC, cast on 25 sts. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows, end on wrong side. Change to MC. Work even in St st (k 1 row, p 1 row) until piece measures 2½" from beg. **Armholes:** bind off 3 sts at beg. of next 2 rows—19 sts. Work even for 2 rows. **Divide for back neck opening:** work across first 9 sts, join another 2 ply of MC and bind off 1 st, finish. Working both sides at once, work even until armholes measure 1½". Bind off each side.

Front

Work same as for back until piece measures 1½" from beg., end on wrong side. **Chart:** work across first 6 sts, beg. chart where indicated, finish row. Continue to work same as for back to armholes. Shape armholes same as for back. Work even until armholes measures 1½", end on wrong side. **Front neck shaping:** work across first 7 sts, join another 2 ply of MC and bind off 5 center sts, finish row. Working both sides at once, dec 1 st each neck edge once—6 sts each

side. Work even until armholes measure same as for back. Bind off each side.

Sleeves

With CC cast on 14 sts. Work in k 1 rib for 2 rows, end on wrong side. Change to MC. Work in St st and 1 st each side every 4th row 3 times—20 sts. Work even until sleeve measures 3¼" from beg. Bind off.

Finishing

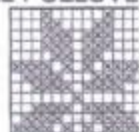
Sew shoulder seams. **Neckband:** from right side with CC, pick up k 25 sts evenly spaced across neck edge. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows. Bind off in rib. Sew on sleeves, side and sleeve seams. Sew on 1" to top of back neck opening.

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Beg.

□ = MC
■ = CC



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QUICK TIP

To make knitting go faster, knit both sleeves at the same time using separate strands of yarn.

Piece Measures 1½"
Bind off Both Sides