

TWO COLOUR DIAMOND PATTERNED CARDIGAN



The back
and
fronts
of this cardigan
are knitted
together as one
piece, dividing
at the armholes.

Materials

6(7,8)×50g balls of Water Wheel Pure Wool Aran in main colour A
 3(3,4)×50g balls of same in contrast colour B
 A pair each of 4mm/No8 and 5mm/No6 knitting needles
 6(6,7) buttons

Measurements

To fit chest 56(61,66)cm/22(24,26)in
Actual measurements
 Chest 62(67,72)cm/24½(26½,28½)in
 Length to shoulders 34.5(38.5,42.5)cm/
 13½(15,16¾)in
 Sleeve seam 27(28,30)cm/10¾(11,11¾)in

Tension

20 sts and 22 rows to 10cm/4in measured over patt worked on 5mm needles

Back and fronts

Using 4mm needles and A, cast on 122(134,142) sts.

Rib row 1 K2, * p2, k2, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2 P2, * k2, p2, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows for 3cm/1¼in, ending with rib row 2 and increasing 1 st each end for first and 3rd sizes only. 124(134,144) sts.

Change to 5mm needles.

Join on and cut off colours as required.

Carrying yarn not in use loosely across WS, work in patt as follows:

Row 1 K3A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 6 sts, 3B, 3A.

Row 2 P4A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to end.

Row 3 K6A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to last 8 sts, 1B, 7A.

Row 4 P6A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 8 sts, 3B, 5A.

Row 5 As row 3.

Row 6 As row 2.

These 6 rows form the patt.

Cont in patt until work measures approx 21(24,27)cm/8¼(9½,10½)in from cast-on edge, ending with row 4.

Divide for right front

Row 1 K6A, 1B, [4A, 1B] 4(4,5) times, 4(6,4)A, turn and leave rem sts on a holder. 31(33,36) sts.

Row 2 P6(3,6)A, [1B, 4A] 5(6,6) times.

Row 3 K3A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 8(5,8) sts, 3B, 5(2,5)A.

Row 4 As row 2.

Row 5 K6A, 1B, [4A, 1B] 4(4,5) times, 4(6,4)A.

Row 6 P3(5,3)A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 8 sts, 3B, 5A.

These 6 rows form the patt for right front.

★ Cont in patt until front measures

30(34,38)cm/11¾(13¼,15)in from cast-on edge, ending with a WS row. (For left front end with a RS row.)

Shape neck

Cast off 8(7,8) sts at beg of next row and 2 sts at beg of foll alt row.

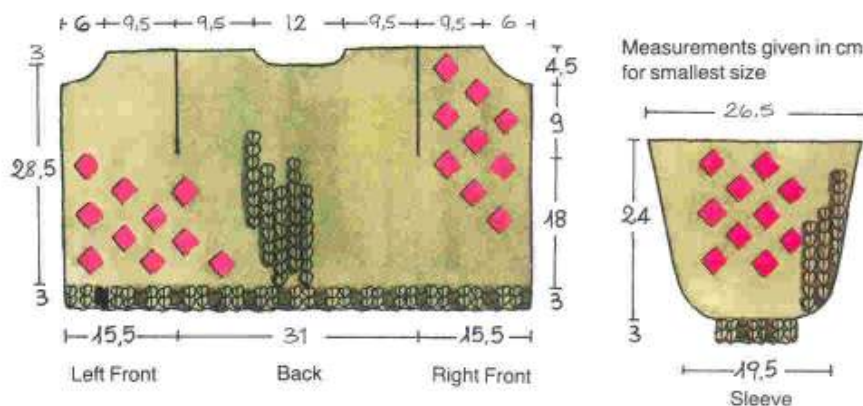
Keeping patt correct, dec 1 st at neck edge of next and foll alt row. 19(22,24) sts.

Work 4 rows straight until front measures 34.5(38.5,42.5)cm/13½(15,16¾)in, ending with a WS row. (For left front work 1 row less.) Cast off. ★

Back

Return to sts on holder.

With RS facing, join on yarn and cont as follows:



Row 1 K5(3,5)A, [1B, 4A] 10(12,12) times, 1B, 6(4,6)A, turn and leave rem sts on a holder. 62(68,72) sts.

Row 2 P3(6,3)A, [1B, 4A] 11(11,13) times, 1B, 3(6,3)A.

Row 3 K2(5,2)A, [3B, 2A] 11(11,13) times, 3B, 2(5,2)A.

Row 4 As row 2.

Row 5 K5(3,5)A, [1B, 4A] 10(12,12) times, 1B, 6(4,6)A.

Row 6 P5(3,5)A, [3B, 2A] 10(12,12) times, 3B, 4(2,4)A.

These 6 rows form the patt for back.

Cont in patt until work measures

31.5(35.5,39.5)cm/12½(14,15½)in from cast-on edge, ending with a WS row.

Shape back neck

Next row Patt 22(25,27), turn and leave rem sts on a spare needle.

★★ Cast off 2 sts at beg of next row.

Dec 1 st at beg of foll alt row. 19(22,24) sts. Work 2 rows straight, so ending with a WS row. (For left back neck, work 1 row less.)

Cast off. ★★

Return to sts on spare needle.

With RS facing, join on yarn and cast off first 18 sts, then patt to end.

Work 1 row then complete to match right back neck from ★★ to ★★, noting the exception in brackets.

Left front

Return to sts on spare needle.

With RS facing, join on yarn and cont as follows:

Row 1 K3(5,3)A, [1B, 4A] 4(4,5) times, 1B, 7A.

Row 2 P4A, [1B, 4A] 4(5,5) times, 1B, 6(3,6)A.

Row 3 K5(2,5)A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 6 sts, 3B, 3A.

Row 4 As row 2.

Row 5 As row 1.

Row 6 P6A, [3B, 2A] 4(4,5) times, 3B, 2(4,2)A.

These 6 rows form the patt for left front.

Keeping patt correct, work as given for right front from ★ to ★.

Sleeves

Using 4mm needles and A, cast on 30(34,34) sts.

Rib row 1 K2, * p2, k2, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2 P2, * k2, p2, rep from * to end.

Work 3cm/1¼in rib, ending with rib row 1.

Inc row Rib 3(4,4), * M1, rib 3, rep from * to last 3 sts, M1, rib to end. 39(44,44) sts.

Change to 5mm needles.

Row 1 K1B, * 2A, 3B rep from * to last 3 sts, 2A, 1B.

Row 2 * P4A, 1B, rep from * to last 4 sts, 4A,

Row 3 Inc in first st, k1B, * 4A, 1B, rep from * to last 2 sts, 1A, inc in last st. 41(46,46) sts.

Row 4 P2A, * 3B, 2A, rep from * to last 4 sts, 3B, 1A.

Row 5 K2A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to last 4 sts, 1B, 3A.

Row 6 * P1B, 4A, rep from * to last st, 1B.

Row 7 K2B, * 2A, 3B, rep from * to last 4 sts, 2A, 2B.

Row 8 As row 6.

Row 9 Inc in first st, k1A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to last 4 sts, 1B, 2A, inc in last st. 43(48,48) sts.

Row 10 P1B, * 2A, 3B, rep from * to last 2 sts, 2A.

Row 11 K3A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to end.

Row 12 P1A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to last 2 sts, 1B, 1A.

Row 13 K3B, * 2A, 3B, rep from * to end.

Row 14 P1A, * 1B, 4A, rep from * to last 2 sts, 1B, 1A.

Continuing in patt, inc and work into patt 1 st each end of next and every foll 6th(8th,6th) rows until there are

53(56,60) sts.

Work straight until sleeve measures

27(28,30)cm/10¾(11,11¾)in from cast-on edge, ending with a WS row. Cast off.

Neckband

Join shoulder seams.

With RS facing, using 4mm needles and A, pick up and k14 sts up right front neck, 30 sts across back neck and 14 sts down left front neck. 58 sts.

Beg with rib row 2, work 6 rows rib as given for sleeves. Cast off in rib.

Buttonhole border

With RS facing, using 4mm needles and A, pick up and k58(62,66) sts up right front and neckband edge.

Rib row 1 P2, * k2, p2, rep from * to end.

Rib row 2 K2, * p2, k2, rep from * to end.

Buttonhole row Rib 3, * yrn, work 2 tog, rib 8(9,8), rep from * 4(4,5) times more, yrn, work 2 tog, rib to end.

Beg with rib row 2, work 3 rows rib.

Cast off in rib.

Button border

Work as given for buttonhole border, omitting buttonholes.

To make up

Join sleeve seams. Set in sleeves. Sew on buttons.