

Skill Level: INTERMEDIATE



SUPPLIES & TOOLS:

- LION BRAND[®] LB COLLECTION[®] BABY ALPACA[®] (Art. #488)
- #172 Sweet Mint 4 (5, 5, 6) (7, 8, 8) balls
- LION BRAND[®] stitch holders
- LION BRAND[®] large-eyed blunt needle
- Knitting needles size 5 (3.75 mm)

SIZING:

S (M, L, 1X) (2X, 3X, 4X) **Finished Chest** 32 1/2 (36, 39 1/2, 43) (46, 49 1/2, 53) in. (82.5 (91.5, 100.5, 109) (117, 125.5, 134.5) cm)

Finished Length 20 (21, 22, 23) (24, 25, 26) in. (51 (53.5, 56, 58.5) (61, 63.5, 66 cm) **Note:** Pattern is written for smallest size with changes for larger sizes in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

GAUGE:

34 sts = about 4 3/4 in. (12 cm) over K3, p3 Rib, slightly stretched. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE

ABBREVIATIONS:

beg = beginning k = knit p = purl p2tog = purl 2 together rem = remain(s)(ing) rep = repeat RS = right side st(s) = stitches WS = wrong side

PATTERN STITCH:

K3, p3 Rib (worked over a multiple of 6 sts + 3 additional sts)

Row 1 (RS): K3, *p3, k3; rep from * to end. **Row 2:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts. Rep Rows 1 and 2 for K3, p3 Rib.

NOTES:

- 1. Top is worked in 2 identical pieces: Front and Back.
- 2. Both pieces are worked from the lower edge upwards.
- 3. Pieces are divided at beg of neck then right and left sides are worked separately up to shoulders.
- 4. This pattern contains the words, AT THE SAME TIME, in several places. Don't worry! This simply means that you will be doing 2 things at once shaping both the neck and the armholes for example. Just keep careful track of where you are in the pattern and you shouldn't have any difficulty.
- 5. When you see 'as established' in the instructions, this means to continue in the current pattern st. For example, to continue in a rib pattern, k the knit sts and p the purl sts.
- 6. When you see work 'even' in the instructions, this means to continue on in the pattern st you have established without changing the st count by increasing, decreasing, or binding off.

FRONT

Cast on 117 (129, 141, 153) (165, 177, 189) sts. Work in K3, p3 Rib until piece measures about 10 (11, 11, 11) (12, 12, 13) in. (25.5 (28, 28, 28) (30.5, 30.5, 33) cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Divide for Right and Left Front

Row 1 (WS): Work in K3, p3 Rib as established over first 63 (69, 75, 81) (87, 93, 99) sts for right front, place rem 54 (60, 66, 72) (78, 84, 90) sts on a stitch holder for left front.

Shape Right Neck

Work over right front sts only. **Neck Decrease Row (RS):** K3, p3, k3, p2tog, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row - you will have 62 (68, 74, 80) (86, 92, 98) sts in this row.

Rep Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows until piece measures about 12 (13, 13, 13) (14, 14, 15) in. (30.5 (33, 33, 33) (35.5, 35.5, 38) cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Continue to rep the Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows and AT THE SAME TIME follow the Shape Right Armhole instructions below. **Note:** You will be continuing the neck shaping AND shaping the armhole at the same time. You just need to keep careful count on where you are in the pattern st, and in the various shapings. You may have an app for this - if not, pencil and paper will work fine!

Shape Right Armhole

Next Row (WS): Bind off 3 sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row. Next Row: Work even in K3, p3 Rib as established. Rep last 2 rows for 1 (3, 3, 3) (5, 7, 7) more times.

Next Row (WS): Bind off 2 sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row. Next Row: Work even in K3, p3 Rib as established. Rep last 2 rows for 2 more times.

Continue to rep Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows until only 33 (33, 39, 42) (42, 42, 45) sts rem.

Continue even in K3, p3 Rib until piece measures about 19 (20, 21, 22) (23, 24, 25) in. (48.5 (51, 53.5, 56) (58.5, 61, 63.5) cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Shape Right Shoulder

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row - 22 (22, 26, 28) (28, 28, 30) sts.
Row 2: Work even in K3, p3 Rib to end of row.
Rows 3 and 4: Rep Rows 1 and 2 - 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts in Row 3.
Row 5: Bind off rem 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts.

Left Front

Cast on 9 sts. **Row 1 (RS):** K3, p3, k3. **Row 2 (WS):** P3, k3, p3; from WS, work in K3, p3 Rib as established over 54 (60, 66, 72) (78, 84, 90) left front sts from holder - 63 (69, 75, 81) (87, 93, 99) sts.

Shape Left Neck

Neck Decrease Row (RS): Work in K3, p3 Rib as established to last 11 sts, p2tog, k3, p3, k3 - 62 (68, 74, 80) (86, 92, 98) sts.

Rep Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows until piece measures about 12 (13, 13, 13) (14, 14, 15) in. (30.5 (33, 33, 33) (35.5, 35.5, 38) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Continue to rep the Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows and AT THE SAME TIME follow the Shape Left Armhole instructions below.

Shape Left Armhole

Next Row (RS): Bind off 3 sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row. **Next Row:** Work even in K3, p3 Rib as established. Rep last 2 rows for 1 (3, 3, 3) (5, 7, 7) more times.

Next Row (RS): Bind off 2 sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row. Next Row: Work even in K3, p3 Rib as established. Rep last 2 rows for 2 more times. Continue to rep Neck Decrease Row every 4 rows until only 33 (33, 39, 42) (42, 42, 45) sts rem.

Continue even in K3, p3 Rib until piece measures about 19 (20, 21, 22) (23, 24, 25) in. (48.5 (51, 53.5, 56) (58.5, 61, 63.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Left Shoulder

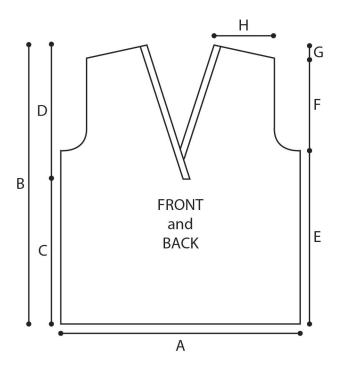
Row 1 (RS): Bind off 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts, work in K3, p3 Rib as established to end of row - 22 (22, 26, 28) (28, 28, 30) sts.
Row 2: Work even in K3, p3 Rib to end of row.
Rows 3 and 4: Rep Rows 1 and 2 - 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts.
Row 5: Bind off rem 11 (11, 13, 14) (14, 14, 15) sts.

BACK

Work same as Front.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder and side seams. Weave in ends.



		SIZES							
	-	S	М	L	1X	2X	3X	4X	
Α	Front and Back Width	16¼	18	19¾	211/2	23	243⁄4	261/2	in.
		41.5	45.5	50	54.5	58.5	63	67.5	cm
В	Total Body Length	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	in.
		51	53.5	56	58.5	61	63.5	66	cm
С	Length to Neck	10	11	11	11	12	12	13	in.
		25.5	28	28	28	30.5	30.5	33	cm
D	Neck Depth	10	10	11	12	12	13	13	in.
		25.5	25.5	28	30.5	30.5	33	33	cm
Е	Length to Armhole	12	13	13	13	14	14	15	in.
		30.5	33	33	33	35.5	35.5	38	cm
F	Armhole Depth	7	7	8	9	9	10	10	in.
		18	18	20.5	23	23	25.5	25.5	cm
G	Shoulder Depth	1							in.
		2.5							cm
н	Shoulder Width	41/2	41/2	51/2	5 ³ /4	5 ³ ⁄4	5 ³ ⁄4	6¼	in.
		11.5	11.5	14	14.5	14.5	14.5	16	cm