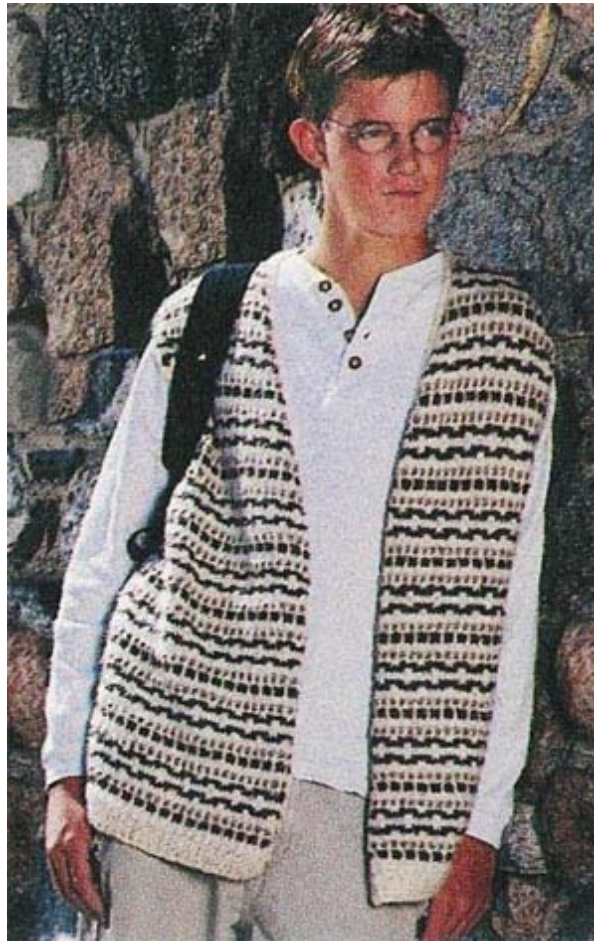




**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Al-Pa-Ka**  
**Santa Fe Unisex Vest**  
Pattern Number: 646



This earth-tone casual vest adds style to any outfit. Neutral colors and the southwest design make this a wardrobe staple.

# Free Knitting Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn

## Lion Brand® Al-Pa-Ka

### Santa Fe Unisex Vest

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**SKILL LEVEL:** Intermediate

**SIZE:** Small, Medium, Large

**Chest** (buttoned) 43½ (46, 48½) in

**Length** 27 (28, 29) inches

**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.

**CORRECTIONS:** (applied Jul 26, 2011)

#### VEST

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**RIGHT FRONT:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 59 **55** (61, **65 67**) sts. Work in k1, pl rib as for back. Change to larger needles and purl 1 row, inc 0 (1, 0) st at end of row — 59 **56** (62, **65 68**) sts. Beg with row 1, work in striped color patt until piece measures 15½ (16, 16½)" from beg, end with a WS row.

**Shape V-neck, armhole and shoulder:**

**Next row** (RS) Dec 1 st, work in patt to end.

**Next row** (WS) Bind off 5 sts, work in patt to end. Shape armhole as for back, AT SAME TIME, shape V-neck by dec 1 st at neck edge every 3rd row 23 times more — 24 **21** (27, 30 **33**) sts. ...

#### MATERIALS

- 740-098 Lion Brand Al\*Pa\*Ka Yarn: Natural (discontinued)  
7 (7, 8) Balls (A)
- 740-127 Lion Brand Al\*Pa\*Ka Yarn: Mink Brown (discontinued)  
2 Balls (B)
- 740-124 Lion Brand Al\*Pa\*Ka Yarn: Camel (discontinued)  
1 Ball (C)
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles - Size 7 [4.5 mm]
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 8 [5 mm]
- Additional Materials  
Four ¾ inch buttons

#### GAUGE:

20 sts and 24 rows to 4 in [10 cm] in St st using size 8 needles. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

#### STITCH EXPLANATION:

**Striped color patt** (multiple of 3 sts plus 2 extra):

**Row 1** (RS) K2 B \*kl A, k2 B; rep from \*.

**Row 2** (WS) P2 B, \*pl A, p2 B; rep from \*.  
**Rows 3-4** With A, k 1 row, then p 1 row.  
**Row 5** With C, \*kl, sl 1 yarn in back; rep from \*, end last rep kl instead of sl 1.  
**Row 6** With C, k2, \*sl 1 with yarn in front, kl; rep from \*.  
**Rows 7-8** Rep Rows 3-4.  
**Row 9** K3 B, \*k2 A, k4 B; rep from \*, end last rep k3 B instead of k4 B.  
**Row 10** P2 A, \*p4 B, p2 A; rep from \*.  
**Rows 11-12** Rep Rows 3-4.  
**Row 13** K2 A, \*k4 B, k2 A; rep from \*.  
**Row 14** P3 B, \*p2 A, p4 B; rep from \*, end last rep p3 B instead of p4 B.  
**Rows 15-16** Rep Rows 3-4.  
**Rows 17-18** Rep rows 5-6.  
**Rows 19-20** Rep Rows 3-4. Rep Rows 1-20 for striped color patt.

## VEST

**BACK:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 109 (115, 121) sts. Work in kl, pl rib for 1¾". Change to larger needles and purl 1 row, inc 1 st at end of row — 110 (116, 122) sts. Beg with Row 1, work in striped color patt until piece measures 15½ (16, 16½)" from beg, end with a WS row.

**Shape armhole:** Cont in patt, bind off 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows, 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows — 96 (102, 108) sts. Dec 1 st each side every other row 4 times — 88 (94, 100) sts. Work even until armhole measures 10½ (11, 11½)", end with a WS row.

**Shape shoulders:** Bind off 8 (9, 10) sts at beg of next 6 rows. Bind off rem 40 sts.

**RIGHT FRONT:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 55 (61, 67) sts. Work in k1, pl rib as for back. Change to larger needles and purl 1 row, inc 1st at end of row — 56 (62, 68) sts. Beg with row 1, work in striped color patt until piece measures 15½ (16, 16½)" from beg, end with a WS row.

### Shape V-neck, armhole and shoulder:

**Next row** (RS) Dec 1 st, work in patt to end.

**Next row** (WS) Bind off 5 sts, work in patt to end. Shape armhole as for back, AT SAME TIME, shape V-neck by dec 1 st at neck edge every 3rd row 23 times more — 21 (27, 33) sts. Work even until armhole measures same as back to shoulder, end with a RS row. Bind off 8 (9, 10) sts at beg next 3 WS rows. Place 4 markers for buttons, the first 1½" from lower edge, the last 14 (14½, 15)" from lower edge and the rem 2 evenly spaced between.

**LEFT FRONT:** Work to correspond to right front, reversing all shaping. Work buttonholes opposite each marker on a RS row as foll: Work in patt to last 5 sts, bind off 2 sts, work last 3 sts. On next row, cast on 2 sts over bound-off sts of previous row.

### FINISHING:

Sew right shoulders tog.

### Neck band and front borders:

With RS facing, smaller needles and A, beg at lower edge of right front and pick up and k 105 (107, 109) sts along center front, 34 sts along back neck. Work 2 rows in kl, pl rib. Bind off in rib. With RS of left front facing, smaller needles and A, beg at shoulder and pick up and k 105 (107, 109) sts along center front. Work band as for right front. Sew left shoulders tog, including ribbing. Sew on buttons.

### Arm bands:

With RS facing, smaller needles and A, pick up and k 91 (93, 95) sts evenly around armhole. Work 2 rows in kl p1 rib. Bind off in rib. In same way, work rib around rem armhole. Sew side seams including arm bands.

## ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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<a href="#">beg = begin(s)(ning)</a>	<a href="#">cont = continu(e)(s)(ing)</a>
<a href="#">dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</a>	<a href="#">foll = follow(s)(ing)</a>
<a href="#">inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)</a>	<a href="#">k = knit</a>
<a href="#">p = purl</a>	<a href="#">pat = pattern</a>

rep = repeat(s)(ing)

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