

# LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> WOOL-EASE<sup>®</sup> SPORTWEIGHT Knit Sleeveless Shell



Wear this superb sweater under a cardigan to work or alone to play. This sexy sleeveless funnel neck sweater will become a staple in your wardrobe.

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Skill Level: Easy

#### SIZE S (M, L) Finished chest measures 33 (36, 39)"

### MATERIALS

- LION BRAND Wool-Ease Sportweight 2 balls #153 Black or color of your choice
- Size 4 (3.5 mm) needles OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Size E-4 (3.5 mm) crochet hook
- Three 1/2" (13 mm) buttons.

## GAUGE

23 sts + 29 rows = 4" (10 cm) In Stockinette st. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## FRONT

Cast on 91 (99, 107) sts.

**Shape for Waist** Beg St st (k RS rows, p WS rows) and decrease 1 st at each end every 6th row 4 times. Work even on 83 (91, 99) sts until piece measures 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" from beg. **Shape for Bust** Inc on next RS row and every 8th row 7 times total. Work even on 97 (105, 113) sts until piece measures 12" total, end ready to work a RS row.

**Shape Armholes** Bind off 9 (10, 11) sts at beg of next 2 rows – 79 (95, 91) sts. Bind off 3 sts beg next 2 rows, then 2 sts beg next 2 rows – 69 (75, 81) sts. Dec 1 st each end on next RS row and every other row 6 (6, 7) times, then every 4th row 0 (1, 2) times, then every 6th row 0 (1, 1) time. Work even on 57 (59, 61) sts until armholes measures 6 1/2 (7, 7 1/2)", end ready to work a RS row.

**Shape Shoulders and Neck** Bind off 3 sts beg next 2 rows, then 2 sts beg next 2 rows – 47 (49, 51) sts. Dec 1 st each end on next RS row and every other row 3 times, then every 4th row once. Work even on 39 (41, 43) sts until neck measures 2 1/2", bind off loosely.

## BACK

Work same as for Front until armholes measure  $3 \frac{1}{2} (4, 4 \frac{1}{2})"$ .

**Back Placket Opening** Cont all shapings as for front but bind off center 3 sts on next row. Join a separate ball of yarn to other shoulder and, working both sides separately at same time, finish as for Front. There are 27 (28, 29) sts on either side after armhole shaping and 18 (19, 20) sts at final neck bind off.

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#### FINISHING

Sew side seams, sew shoulder and neck seams. Work 5 rows of sc evenly spaced around bottom edge and 3 rows of sc evenly spaced around armholes.

**Placket Trim: Row 1** With RS facing, sc evenly up left placket edge, work an extra sc at corner, sc evenly across neck edge, work an extra sc at corner, sc evenly down right placket edge, ch 1 and turn.

**Row 2** Sc in each sc around, working an extra sc at corners. Mark for 3 buttons evenly spaced along left placket edge, $\frac{1}{4}$ " from top and 1" from bottom.

**Row 3** Ch 1 and turn, sc in each sc, working an extra sc at corners to right placket. Opposite each marked button, make buttonhole by ch 3 and skipping 3 sc.

Row 4 Ch 1 and turn, rep Row 2 working sc in each of ch-3 buttonholes.

Row 5 Ch 1 and turn, rep Row 2, fasten off leaving 8" tail.

Use tail to sew down sides of placket trim to 3 bound off sts of placket opening. Sew buttons in place.

ABBREVIATIONS		
beg = begin(ning)	p = purl	
ch = chain	rep = repeat	
cont = continu(e)(ing)	RS = right side	
dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)	sc = single crochet	
inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)	st(s) = stitch(es)	
k = knit	WS = wrong side	

\*Wool-Ease<sup>®</sup> Sportweight (Article #660) is a sport weight yarn. It has the feel, warmth and softness of wool with the easy care of acrylic. • Solids, Heathers, Prints: 80% Acrylic, 20% Wool. • Frosts: 70% Acrylic, 20% Wool, 10% Nylon • Color #301 White/Multi: 78% Acrylic, 19% Wool, 3% Polyester • Color #402 Wheat, #403 Mushroom: 86% Acrylic, 10% Wool, 4% Rayon. It is packaged in 5 oz./140gm. (435 yd.) balls.

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