Free Knit & Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick®
Short and Chic Cardi

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This cropped cardigan features a great shawl collar.

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SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SIZE: XS, Small, Medium, Large
Finished Bust 34 (35 1/2, 37, 38 1/2) in. Design is meant to be extremely close fitting.
Finished Length 17 1/2 (18 1/4, 20, 21 3/4) in.
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 Apr 13, 2009)

CARDIGAN
Lower Band
Rows 6-17 (6-~~17~~ 19, 6-19, 6-19): Rep Rows 1 and 2.

MATERIALS
• 640-138 Lion Brand Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick Yarn: Cranberry
   4 Balls
• Lion Brand Size 10.5 [6.5 mm] 29-inch [75 cm] Circular Knitting Needles
• Lion Brand Size 13 [9 mm] 29-inch [75 cm] Circular Knitting Needles
• Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size J-10
• Lion Brand Stitch Markers
• Large-Eyed Blunt Needles

GAUGE:

9 sts + 12 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with larger needle. 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.
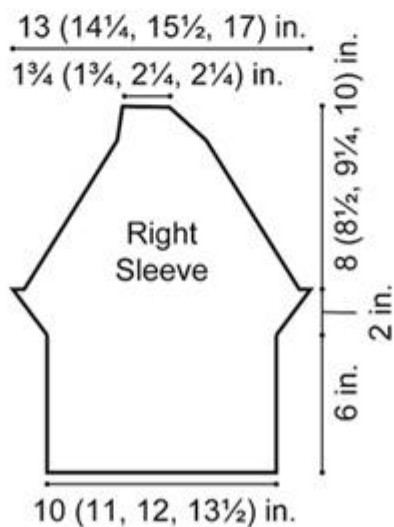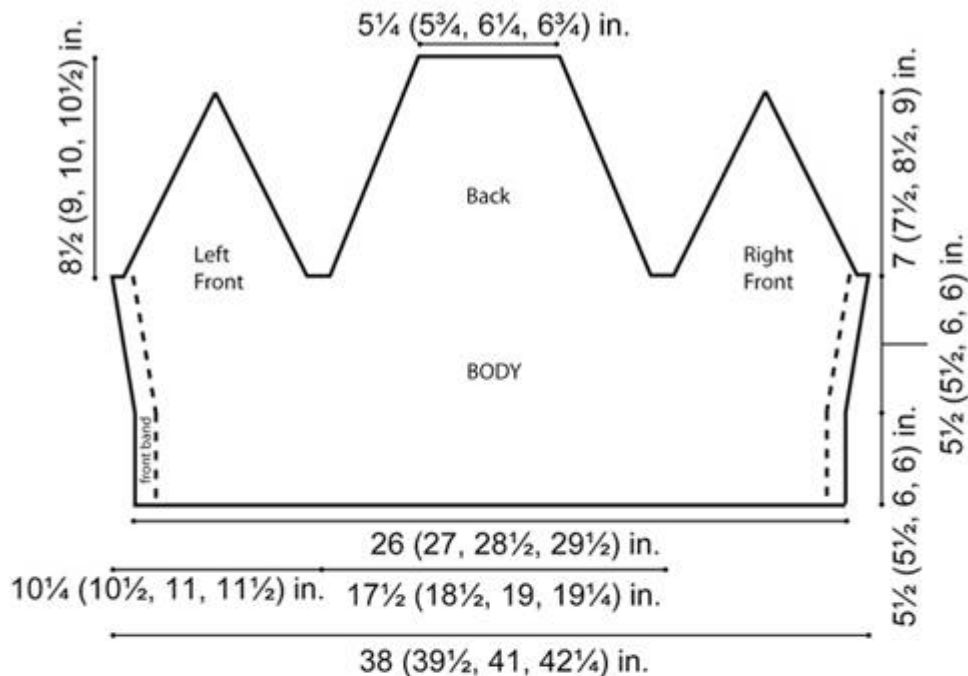
STITCH EXPLANATION:

skp Slip 1, knit 1, pass slip stitch over knit stitch.

sk2p Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over—2 sts decreased.

NOTES:

The lower edge is worked first on this close fitting cardigan, then stitches are picked up for the body. Body is worked in one piece to the underarm, then back, fronts, and sleeves are worked separately. A row of slip stitch crochet helps the collar lay flat.

5¼ (5¾, 6¼, 6¾) in.

8½ (9, 10, 10½) in.

7 (7½, 8½, 9) in.

5½ (5½, 6, 6) in.

Back

Left Front

Right Front

front band

BODY

5½ (5½, 6, 6) in.

26 (27, 28½, 29½) in.

10¼ (10½, 11, 11½) in.   17½ (18½, 19, 19¼) in.

38 (39½, 41, 42¼) in.

13 (14¼, 15½, 17) in.

1¾ (1¾, 2¼, 2¼) in.

8 (8½, 9¼, 10) in.

Right Sleeve

2 in.

6 in.

10 (11, 12, 13½) in.

CARDIGAN
Lower Band
With smaller circular needle, cast on 98 (102, 106, 110) sts.
Rows 1 and 3 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * across.
Row 2: P2, *k2, p2; rep from * across.
Row 4: Rep Row 2 to last 7 sts, bind off next 3 sts (buttonhole), work to end of row as established.
Row 5: Continue in rib as established, casting on 3 sts over bound off sts of previous row.
Rows 6-17 (6-19, 6-19, 6-19): Rep Rows 1 and 2.
Rows 18-19 (20-21, 20-21, 20-21): Rep Rows 4 and 5.
For all sizes, work 2 more rows in rib as established. Bind off, but do not cut yarn.
Body
From WS, using attached yarn and larger circular needle, pick up and k sts as follows:
Pick up and k 1 st in next p ridge, *pick up and k 1 st between next k sts of rib, pick up and k 1 sts in each of p sts of rib; rep from * across — 74 (77, 80, 83) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, p2 (for right front band), k 16 (17, 18, 19) sts and place marker for right front, k 34 (35, 36, 37) sts and place marker for back, k 16 (17, 18, 19) for left front, p2, k2 (for left front band).

Row 2: P2, k2 p to last 4 sts, k2, p2. Keeping first and last 4 sts in rib as established, and rem sts in St st, work 2 more rows.

Next (inc) Row: *Work as established to 2 sts before marker, k into front and then back of next st (inc made), k next st, slip marker, inc in next st, rep from * once, then work to end of row.

Work even as established for 3 rows.

Rep last 4 rows once more, then rep Inc row once more — xxx sts.

Work 0 (0, 2, 2) rows even.

Next Row: Work as established to last 7 sts, bind off next 3 sts (buttonhole), work to end of row.

Next Row: Work as established, casting on 3 sts over bound off sts of previous row.

Work 1 more row even.

Shape Neck Next Row: Bind off 2 sts work to end.

Rep last row once more.

Divide for Back and Fronts Row 1 (RS): P2, sk2p, k to marker, remove marker and turn work.

Continue on 19 (20, 21, 22) sts for right front only.

Row 2 (WS): Bind off 2 sts for armhole, work to end.

Row 3: P2, sk2p, k to last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Work 1 row even.

Rep last 2 rows once more — 11 (12, 13, 14) sts.

Next (raglan dec) Row: P2, k to last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Work 1 row even.

Rep last 2 rows 4 (5, 6, 7) times more — 6 sts.

Work 2 rows even.

Next Row: P2, skp, k2.

Work 1 row even.

Next Row: P2tog, sk2p — 2 sts. Bind off.

Back

From RS, rejoin yarn to sts for back.

Next Row: Bind off 2 sts, k to marker, remove marker and turn work.

Next Row: Bind off 2 sts, p to end.

Continue on these 36 (37, 38, 39) sts for back only.

Dec Row: K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Continue as established, AT THE SAME TIME, rep dec row every other row 11 (10, 9, 8) times more, every 4th row 0 (1, 2, 3) times — 12 (13, 14, 15) sts. Work 1 row even. Bind off.

Left Front

Rejoin yarn and work same as right front, reversing shaping.

RIGHT SLEEVE

Lower Band

With smaller needle, cast on 38 (42, 46, 50) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * across.

Row 2: P2, *k2, p2; rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures about 6 in. (15 cm) from beg. Bind off, but do not cut yarn.

Sleeve

From WS, using attached yarn and larger circular needle, pick up and k 29 (32, 35, 38) sts in same way as sts were picked up for sweater body. Work in St st for 6 rows.

Shape Cap

Continue in St st as established, bind off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Next (Dec) Row: K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Continue in St st, rep dec row every other row 4 (5, 6, 7) times more, then every 4th row twice — 11 (12, 13, 14) sts. Work even for 3 rows.

Next Row (RS): Bind off 3 sts, k to last 4 sts, skp, k2.

Work 1 row even.

Next Row (RS): Bind off 3 (4, 4, 5) sts, k to end of row.

Work 1 row even.

Next Row (RS): Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5) sts, k to end of row.

Bind off.

LEFT SLEEVE

Work as for Right Sleeve, reversing shaping.

FINISHING

Sew Sleeve seam, reversing seam at lower 3 in. (7.5 cm) of band.

Sew in Sleeves. Sew buttons opposite buttonholes.

Collar

From RS with smaller needle, pick up and k 14 (14, 18, 18) sts across back neck.

Row 1 (WS): P2, *k2, p2; rep from * across.

Row 2: Cast on 4 sts, *k2, p2, rep from * across, end k2.

Row 3: Cast on 4 sts, p2, *k2, p2; rep from * across.

Rep last 2 rows 8 (9, 10, 11) times more — xx sts.

Change to larger needle and work 2 rows even in rib as established.

Bind off.

Seam collar to neck edge with seam on RS.

With crochet hook, join yarn with slip st on WS of collar seam.

Work slip st evenly over seam, this will help make collar lay flat.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES Click for explanation and illustration	
beg = begin(s)(ning)	dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)
inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)	k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 together	p = purl
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	RS = right side
st(s) = stitch(es)	WS = wrong side

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