



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Nature's Choice Organic® Cotton
River Road Pleated Tunic
Pattern Number: 80453AD



Free Knitting Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn

Lion Brand® Nature's Choice Organic® Cotton

River Road Pleated Tunic

Pattern Number: 80453AD

SKILL LEVEL: Advanced Intermediate

SIZE: Small, Medium, Large, 1X

Finished Bust: 35 1/2 (37 1/2, 39 1/2, 41 1/2) in. (90 (95, 100.5, 105.5) cm)

Finished Length: 27 (28, 28 1/2, 29) in. (68.5 (71, 72.5, 73.5) 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.

CORRECTIONS: None as of Jun 20, 2012. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

MATERIALS

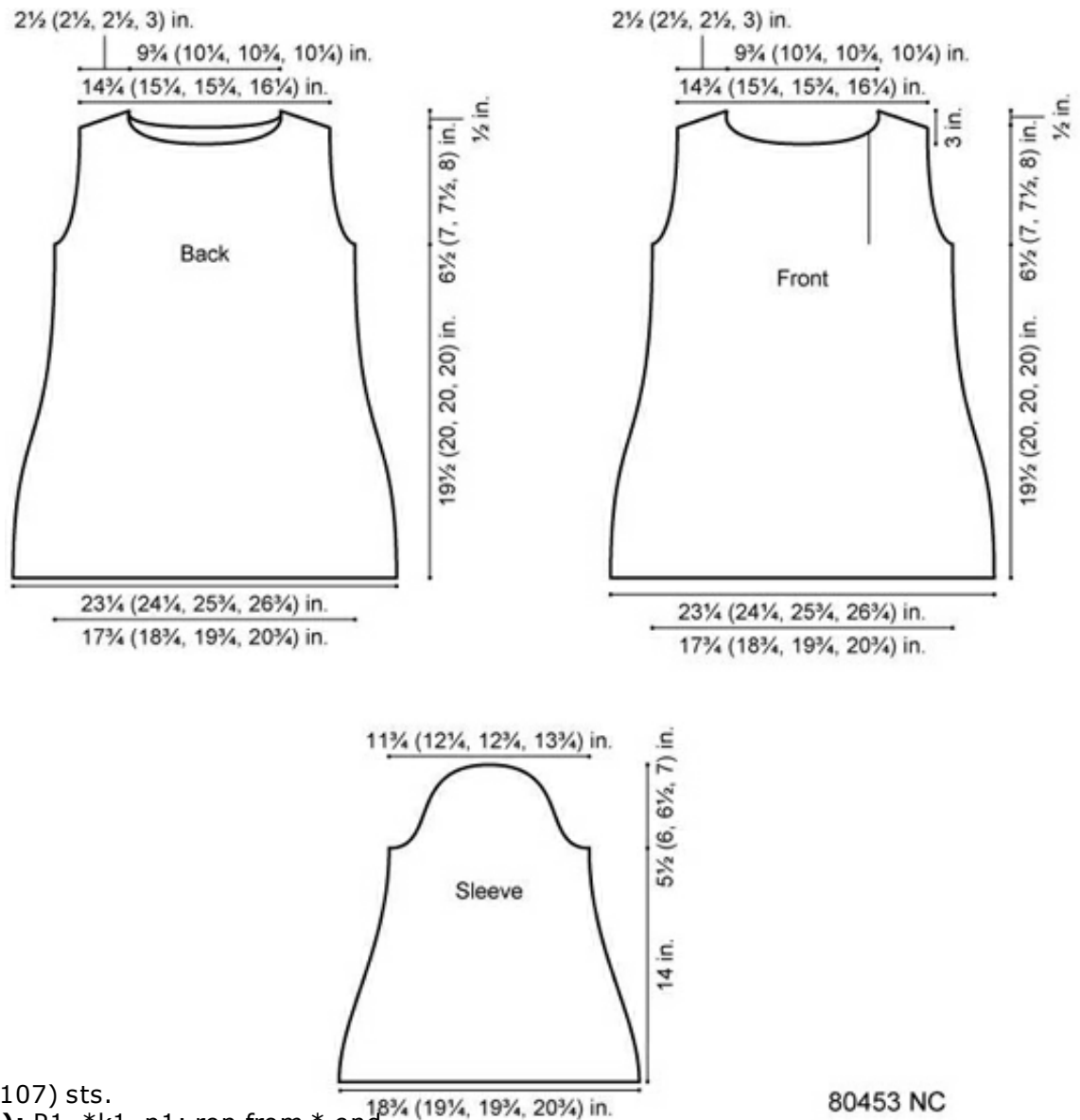
- 480-098 Lion Brand Nature's Choice Organic Cotton Yarn : Almond
10 (12,13,14) Balls
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 9 [5.5 mm]
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size H-8 (5 mm)
- Lion Brand Stitch Holders
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
5 buttons, approximately 1/2 in. (1.25 cm) in diameter

GAUGE:

16 sts + 22 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in Rev St st (p on RS, k on WS). 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 fewer 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.

NOTES:

Stitch markers should be split-ring style. To view and purchase our split-ring stitch markers, click here.



BACK

Cast on 93 (97, 103, 107) sts.

Foundation Row (RS): P1, *k1, p1; rep from * end.

Next Row: K1, *p1, k1; rep from * to end.

Begin Pleat pattern

Row 1 (RS): P2 (3, 5, 6), (k1, p11) 3 times, k1, p15 (17, 19, 21), (k1, p11) 3 times, k1, p2 (3, 5, 6).

Row 2: K2 (3, 5, 6), (p1, k11) 3 times, p1, k15 (17, 19, 21), (p1, k11) 3 times, p1, k2 (3, 5, 6).

Rep rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 3 in. (7.5 cm) from beg, ending with a WS row.

Place markers in 15th (16th, 17th, 18th) and 78th (81st, 86th, 89th) st.

Next Row (Dec row, RS): P to first marked (pleat) st, k marked st, p2tog, work in pattern as established to 2 sts before second marked st, p2tog, k marked st, p to end.

Continue in pattern as established, rep Dec row every 6th row 10 (10, 11, 11) more times – 71 (75, 79, 83) sts, AT THE SAME TIME when piece measures 8 in. (20.5 cm) from beg, work all sts **except marked pleat sts** in Rev St st.

When all Dec rows have been completed, work all sts evenly in Rev St st until piece measures 19 1/2 (20, 20, 20) in. (49.5 (51, 51, 51) cm) from beg, end with a WS row. **

Shape Armhole

Bind off 3 (4, 5, 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows – 65 (67, 69, 71) sts.

Dec 1 st each at each edge every RS row 3 times – 59 (61, 63, 65) sts.

Work even until armhole measures 6 1/2 (7, 7 1/2, 8) in. (16.5 (18, 19, 20.5) cm), end with a WS row.

Shape Back Neck

Next row: P12 (12, 12, 14), slip rem 47 (49, 51, 51) sts to a holder.

Continue on 12 (12, 12, 14) sts for right shoulder as follows:

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 1 st, k to end – 11 (11, 11, 13) sts.

Row 2: Bind off 5 (5, 5, 6) sts, p to end – 6 (6, 6, 7) sts.

Row 3: Bind off 1 st, k to end – 5 (5, 5, 6) sts.

Bind off rem 5 (5, 5, 6) sts.

80453 NC

Place 47 (49, 51, 51) sts from holder back onto needle, join yarn ready to work a RS row and continue on these sts as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 36 (38, 40, 38) sts, p to end – 11 (11, 11, 13) sts.

Row 2: Bind off 5 (5, 5, 6) sts, k to end – 6 (6, 6, 7) sts.

Row 3: Bind off 1 st, p to end – 5 (5, 5, 6) sts.

Bind off rem sts.

FRONT

Cast on and work same as Back to **, ending with a WS row.

Shape armhole and divide fronts:

Next row (RS): Bind off 3 (4, 5, 6) sts, p18 (18, 18, 20), place a marker on needle, join a 2nd ball of yarn, and p to end of row.

Next row: Bind off 3 (4, 5, 6) sts, working both sides at once with separate strands of yarn, k to end.

Cont to work each side separately in Rev St st, AT THE SAME TIME, dec 1 st at each armhole edge every RS row 3 times – 15 (15, 15, 17) sts for left front and 44 (46, 48, 48) sts for right front.

Work even until armholes measure 4 (4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2) in. (10 (11.5, 12.5, 14) cm), end with a WS row.

Shape Neck

Next row (RS) P across left front sts, bind off 31 (33, 35, 33) sts at beg of right front, p to end.

Next row: K across sts of right front, bind off 2 sts at beg of left front neck edge, work to end of row – 13 (13, 13, 15) sts each side.

Cont to work in Rev St st, dec 1 st at each neck edge every other row 3 times – 10 (10, 10, 12) sts each side.

Work even until same length as Back to shoulder, end with a WS row.

Bind off 5 (5, 5, 6) sts at each shoulder edge twice.

SLEEVES (make 2)

Cast on 75 (77, 79, 83) sts.

Foundation Row (RS): P1, *k1, p1; rep from * end.

Next Row: K1, *p1, k1; rep from * to end.

Beg Pleat Pattern

Row 1 (RS): P14 (15, 16, 17), k1, p11, k1, p21 (21, 21, 23) k1, p11, k1, p14 (15, 16, 17).

Row 2: K14 (15, 16, 17), p1, k11, p1, k21 (21, 21, 23) p1, k11, p1, k14 (15, 16, 17).

Place markers in (15th (16th, 17th, 18th) and 60th (61st, 62nd, 65th) st.

Next Row (Dec row, RS): P to first marked (pleat) st, k marked st, p2tog, work in pattern as established to 2 sts before second marked st, p2tog, k marked st, p to end.

Continue in pattern as established, working Dec row every 4th row 13 more times – 47 (49, 51, 55) sts, AT THE SAME TIME when piece measures 8 in. (20.5 cm) from beg, work all sts except marked pleat sts in Rev St st.

When all Dec rows have been completed, work even until piece measures 14 in. (35.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row.

Shape Cap

Beg working all sts in Rev St st and bind off 3 (4, 5, 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows – 41 (41, 41, 43) sts.

Dec 1 st at each edge every RS row 3 (3, 4, 5) times – 35 (35, 33, 33) sts.

Dec 1 st at each edge every 4th row 5 (6, 6, 6) times – 25 (23, 21, 21) sts.

Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 4 rows – 13 (11, 9, 9) sts.

Bind off rem sts.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

Neck Pleats and Placket

Fold 2 1/2 in. (1.3 cm) pleats into neck edge of right front. Pin pleats in place.

Rep to make 3 pleats across back neck.

With RS facing, join yarn with sl st at lower right edge of front slit. Sc evenly around neck edge to bottom left edge of slit, working through all layers of pleats, and working 3 sc in each corner.

Next Rnd: Ch 2, turn. Dc in each sc around, working 3 dc in center st at each corner.

Fasten off.

Lap right front placket over left and sew in place.

Sew 5 buttons along left front placket - the dc on right placket serve as buttonholes.

Sleeve Pleats

On lower edge of Sleeve, form two 2 in. (5 cm) pleats by bringing tog the 4 pleat sts (knit sts of Row 1).

Seam pleat from lower edge to about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) above lower edge of sleeve.

Rep on other Sleeve.

Sew in Sleeves. Sew side and Sleeve seams.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES Click for explanation and illustration	
<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>ch(s) = chain(s)</u>
<u>dc = double crochet</u>	<u>dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</u>
<u>inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>p = purl</u>	<u>p2tog = purl 2 together</u>
<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>	<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>
<u>Rev St st = reverse stockinette stitch</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>sc = single crochet</u>	<u>sl st = slip stitch</u>
<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>	<u>WS = wrong side</u>

Learn to knit instructions: <http://learnToKnit.LionBrand.com>

Every effort has been made to have the knitting and crochet instructions accurate and complete. We cannot be responsible for variance of individual knitters and crocheters, human errors, or typographical mistakes.

*Nature's Choice Organic® Cotton (Article #480). 100% organically grown cotton; package size: **Solids: 3** oz. (85 g), 103 yd. (94 m)
Prints: 2.75 oz. (78 g), 94 yd. (86 m)



We want your project to be a success! If you need help with this or any other Lion Brand pattern, e-mail support is available 7 days per week. Just click [here](#) to explain your problem and someone will help you!

For thousands of free patterns, visit our website www.LionBrand.com
To order visit our website www.lionbrand.com or call: (800) 258-YARN (9276) any time!

Copyright ©1998-2011 Lion Brand Yarn Company, all rights reserved. No pattern or other material may be reproduced -- mechanically, electronically, or by any other means, including photocopying -- without written permission of Lion Brand Yarn Company.