Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Hometown USA®
Circular Yoke Vest
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This beautiful cabled tunic is a new version of the Wool-Ease Thick & Quick Circular Yoke Vest

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SKILL LEVEL: Advanced Intermediate

SIZE:
S/M (L/1X)
Finished Bust 35 (39) in. (89 (99) cm)
Finished Length 29 in. (73.5 cm)
Note: Pattern is written for smaller size with changes for larger size in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to both sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

CORRECTIONS: None as of Oct 4, 2010. To check for later updates, click here.

MATERIALS

- 135-148 Lion Brand Hometown USATM Yarn: Portland Wine
  8 10 Balls
- Lion Brand Cable Needles (Set of 2)
- Lion Brand Stitch Holders
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
  Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long
  4 buttons, 1 1/4 in. (32 mm) diameter

GAUGE:

12 sts + 16 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) over pattern sts. 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:

RT (Right Twist) K2tog and leave on left needle, then with right needle, k the first st again, slip both sts from needle.
3/3 RC (3 over 3 Right Cross) Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then k3 from cable needle.

PATTERN STITCHES
K1, p1 Rib (multiple of 2 sts + 1)
Row 1: *K1, p1; rep from * to last st, k1.
Row 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.
Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib.

K2, p2 Rib (multiple of 4 sts + 2)
Row 1: *K2, p2; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.
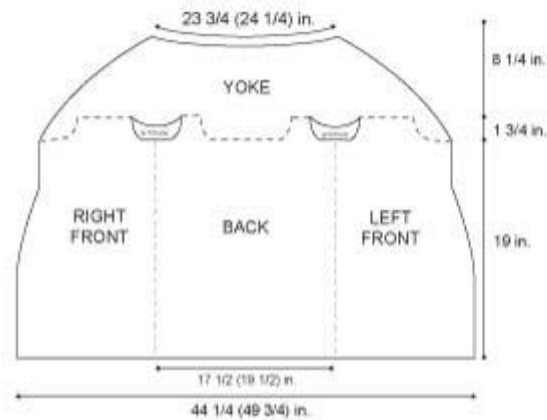**Row 2:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts.
Rep Row 2 for K2, p2 Rib.

NOTES:

1. Circular needle is used to accommodate large number of sts. Work back and forth on

circular needle as if working on straight needles.
2. Vest is worked in one piece beg at lower edge, then divided for Fronts and Back.

VEST
Cast on 133 (149) sts.
Row 1 (WS): K5, *p1, k1; rep from * to last 6 sts, p1, k5.
Row 2 (RS): P5, *k1, p1; rep from * to last 6 sts, k1, p5.
Row 3: P5, work in K1, p1 Rib to last 5 sts, p5.
Row 4: Rep Row 2.
Rows 5-8: Rep Rows 1-4.
Row 9: Knit.
Row 10 (RS): P5 (for Right Front Band), *(k2, RT) 3 (4) times, k24, rep from * 2 more times, (k2, RT) 3 (4) times, k1, k2tog, p5 (for Left Front Band) - 132 (148) sts.
Row 11 (WS): P6, k1, p2, (k2, p2) 2 (3) times, k2, *(p6, k2) 3 times, (p2, k2) 3 (4) times; rep from * once more, (p6, k2) 3 times, (p2, k2) 2 (3) times, p2, k1, p6.
Row 12: P5, k1, p1, *(RT, p2) 3 (4) times, (k6, p2) 3 times; rep from * 2 more times, (RT, p2) 2 (3) times, RT, p1, k1, p5.
Row 13: K5, p1, k1, *(p2, k2) 3 (4) times, (p6, k2) 3 times; rep from * 2 more times, (p2, k2) 2 (3) times, p2, k1, p1, k5.
Row 14: Rep Row 12.
Row 15: Rep Row 11.
Row 16 (Cable Row): P5, k1, p1, *(RT, p2) 3 (4) times, (3/3 RC, p2) 3 times; rep from * 2 more times, (RT, p2) 2 (3) times, RT, p1, k1, p5.
Row 17: Rep Row 13.
Row 18: Rep Row 12.
Rep Rows 11-18, working a buttonhole on next row, then every 24th row twice more as follows: work across WS row to last 5 sts, p2tog, yo, p3.
Note: The 4th Buttonhole will be worked on yoke.
Work as established until piece measures 7 in. (18 cm) from beg, end with a Row 15 of pattern.
Begin Shaping
Next (Dec Cable) Row (RS): Work 25 (29) sts in pattern as established, *(p2tog, 3/3 RC) twice, work 20 (24) sts in pattern as established; rep from * once more; (p2tog, 3/3 RC) twice, work in pattern as established to end - 126 (142) sts.
Work even in pattern as established for 7 rows.
Next (Dec Cable) Row (RS): Work 17 (21) sts in pattern as established, *p2tog, 3/3 RC, (p1, 3/3 RC) twice, p2tog, work 10 (14) sts in pattern as established; rep from * once more; p2tog, 3/3 RC, (p1, 3/3 RC) twice, p2tog, work in pattern as established to end - 120 (136) sts.
Work even in pattern as established for 7 rows.

Next (Dec Cable) Row (RS): Work 9 sts in pattern as established, (p2tog, RT) 2 (3) times, *(p1, 3/3 RC) 3 times, p1, (RT, p2tog) 2 (3) times, RT; rep from * twice more; work in pattern as established to end - 112 (124) sts. Work even in pattern as established until piece measures about 19 in. (48 cm) from beg, end with Row 13 of pattern.

Separate for Fronts and Back

Next Row (RS): P5, sl these sts to a holder, bind off 1 st, work in pattern as established until there are 20 (23) sts on right hand needle, slip these sts to a holder for Right Front; bind off 7 sts, work in pattern as established until there are 20 (23) sts on right hand needle for first half of Back, bind off 6 sts (center bind off), work in pattern as established until there are a total of 40 (46) sts on right hand needle for Back, slip these sts to a holder; bind off 7 sts, work in pattern as established across rem 26 (29) sts for Left Front.

Note: Instructions that follow include the phrase AT THE SAME TIME.

This means that you will continue the pattern while also working the armhole and neck shaping.

Please read through entire instruction before beginning this section.

Left Front

Next Row: With WS facing, k5 and sl to a holder, bind off 1 st, work in pattern as established to end.

Continue in pattern as established, AT THE SAME TIME, bind off 1 st at beg of next 3 RS rows for armhole and 4 sts at beg of next 3 WS rows for neck shaping.

Bind off.

Back

Note: Left and right sides of Back are worked separately on either side of 6-st center bind off.

Left Side: Sl 20 (23) sts of left side of Back onto needle.

With WS facing, join yarn at left armhole; continue in pattern as established, bind off 1 st at beg of next 3 WS rows for armhole, AND AT THE SAME TIME, bind off 4 sts at beg of next 3 RS rows for center back.

Bind off.

Right Side: Sl rem 20 (23) sts of Back onto needle.

Work as for left side of Back, reversing shaping.

Bind off.

Right Front

Sl Right Front sts onto needle and work as for Left Front, reversing shaping. Bind off.

Shape Yoke

Next Row (RS): P5 sts from holder at Right Front, pick up and k18 (22) sts along the Right Front, cast on 31 (34) sts for armhole opening, pick up and k43 (45) sts along Back, cast on 31 (34) sts for armhole opening, pick up and k18 (22) sts along Left Front, sl 5 sts from holder at Left Front onto needle - 151 (167) sts. Rejoin yarn at end of last row, ready to work next row from WS beg with first st on needle.

Note: When working yoke, first and last 5 sts of each row are maintained in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next Row (WS): Work 5 sts as established, p1, *k1, p1; rep from * to last 5 sts, work 5 sts as established.

Work 7 rows in K1, p1 Rib, keeping 5 sts at each edge in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next (Dec) Row: Work 5 sts as established, purl to last 5 sts, dec 9 (13) sts evenly across, work 5 sts as established - 142 (154) sts.

Next Row: Work 5 sts as established, p1, k4, (p2, k4) to last 6 sts, p1, work 5 sts as established.

Next Row: Knit the k sts and purl the p sts, keeping edge sts in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next (Dec Cable) Row: Work 5 sts as established, p1, *sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold at back, k2, then k2tog from cable needle, p2; rep from * to last 10 sts, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold at back, k2, then k2tog from cable needle, p1, work 5 sts as established - 120 (130) sts.

Next Row: Work 5 sts as established, k1, *p3, k2; rep from * to last 9 sts, p3, k1, work 5 sts as established.

Next 2 Rows: Knit the k sts and purl the p sts, keeping edge sts in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next (Dec Cable) Row: Work 5 sts as established, p1, *sk 1 st, k2tog, then k skipped st and slide both sts off needle, p2; rep from * to last 9 sts, sk 1 st, k2tog, then k skipped st and slide both sts off needle, p1, work 5 sts as established - 98 (106) sts.

Next 3 Rows: Knit the k sts and purl the p sts, keeping edge sts in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next Row: Work 5 sts as established, k1, p1, k1, p2, (k2tog, p2) to last 8 sts, k1, p1, k1, work 5 sts as established - 78 (84) sts.

Next (Buttonhole) Row: Work 5 sts as established, knit the k and purl the p sts to last 5 sts, p2tog, yo, p3 **Next Row:** Knit the k sts and purl the p sts, keeping edge sts in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next (Dec) Row: Work 5 sts as established, work 24 (20) sts in pattern as established, (k2tog, p1) 7 (11) times, work in pattern as established to end - 71 (73) sts.

Next Row: Knit the k sts and purl the p sts, keeping edge sts in pattern as established for Right and Left Front Bands.

Next Row: Knit.

Bind off.

FINISHING
Edging
With RS facing, pick up and k73 sts evenly spaced along the Left Front edge. Bind off. Rep for Right Front edge.
With RS facing, pick up and k24 sts evenly spaced around armhole edge.Bind off. Rep for rem armhole.
Sew buttons opposite buttonholes. 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
p2tog = purl 2 together	rem = remain(s)(ing)
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	RS = right side
sk = skip	sl = slip
st(s) = stitch(es)	WS = wrong side

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