



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Homespun®
Smart Investment Vest
Pattern Number: L32403



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SKILL LEVEL: Easy (Level 2)

SIZE: Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X/3X

S (M, L, 1X, 2X/3X)

Finished Bust (closed) 38 (42, 46, 50, 54) in. (96.5 (106.5, 117, 127, 137) cm)

Finished Length 26 (26, 27, 28, 28) in. (66 (66, 68.5, 71, 71) cm), not including collar

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 Jul 14, 2016. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

MATERIALS

- 790-407 Lion Brand Homespun
Yarn: Painted Desert
4 5, 5, 6, 6 Balls
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch
- Markers
- Lion Brand Stitch Holders
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt
Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
Circular knitting needle size 10 (6 mm), 60 in. (152.5 cm) long

**Homespun® (Article #790). 98% Acrylic, 2% Polyester; package size: 6.00oz/170.00 gr. (185yds/169m) pull skeins*



GAUGE:

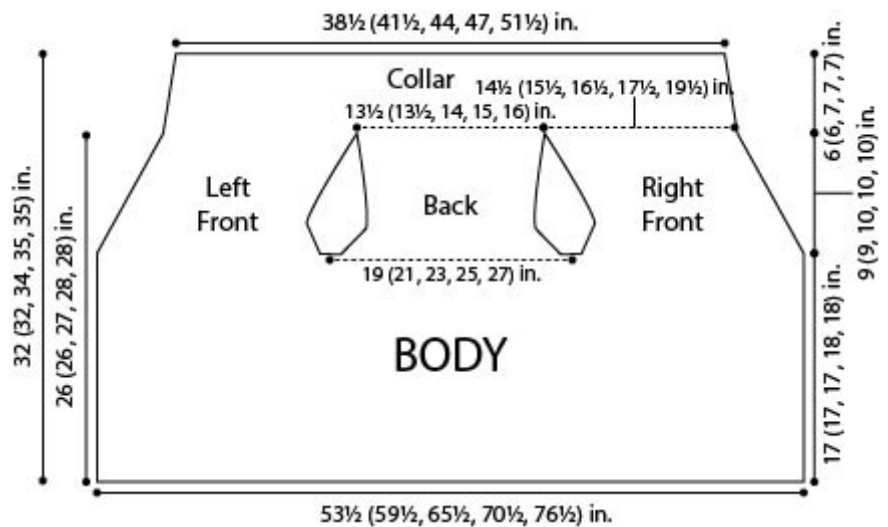
12 sts + 20 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in Garter st (k every row).

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. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

NOTES:

1. Vest is worked in one piece beg at lower edge. Piece is divided at armholes and fronts and back worked separately to shoulders.
2. At shoulders, fronts and back are joined to work collar.
3. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
4. When you see 'work even' in the instructions, this means to continue on in the pattern st you have established without changing the st count by increasing, decreasing, or binding off.



BODY

Cast on 160 (179, 196, 211, 230) sts.

Work in Garter st (k every row) until piece measures about 17 (17, 17, 18, 18) in. (43 (43, 43, 45.5, 45.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS row. **Note:** End with a WS row means that the last row you work should be a WS row, and the next row that you are ready to work will be a RS row.

Divide for Armholes

Next Row (RS): K49 (55, 60, 64, 70) for right front and sl to a holder; bind off next 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts for armhole; k52 (57, 62, 67, 72) for back and sl to a holder; bind off next 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts for armhole; k to end – 49 (55, 60, 64, 70) rem left front.

Left Front

Row 1 Decrease (WS): K to last 3 sts of left front, k2tog, k1 – 48 (54, 59, 63, 69) sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Decrease Row: Rep Row 1 – 47 (53, 58, 62, 68) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 4 (6, 8, 9, 10) more times – 43 (47, 50, 53, 58) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in Garter st until piece measures about 9 (9, 10, 10, 10) in. (23 (23, 25.5, 25.5, 25.5) cm) from divide, end with a WS row.

Cut yarn and sl sts to a holder.

Back

Sl 52 (57, 62, 67, 72) back sts from holder to needle and join yarn, ready to work a WS row.

Decrease Row (WS): K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts of back, k2tog, k1 – 50 (55, 60, 65, 70) sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Rep last 2 rows 5 (7, 9, 10, 11) more times – 40 (41, 42, 45, 48) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in Garter st until back measures same as left front, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Cut yarn and sl sts to a holder.

Right Front

Sl 49 (55, 60, 64, 70) right front sts back to needle and join yarn, ready to work a WS row.

Decrease Row (WS): K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 48 (54, 59, 63, 69) sts.

Next Row: Knit.

Rep last 2 rows 5 (7, 9, 10, 11) more times – 43 (47, 50, 53, 58) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in Garter st until right front measures same as back, end with a WS row.

Sl sts for back and then sts for left front back onto other end of needle ready to work a RS row.

Joining Row (RS): K to last st of right front, k2tog (last st of right front and first st of back), place marker (pm), k to last st of back, k2tog (last st of back and first st of left front), pm, k to end of left front – 124 (133, 140, 149, 162) sts.

Shape Collar

Slipping markers as you come to them, work even in Garter st until 2 in. (5 cm) from joining row.

Decrease Row: *K to 2 sts before first marker, k2tog, slip marker (sm), k2tog; rep from * once more, k to end of row – 120 (129, 136, 145, 158) sts.

Work even in Garter st until 4 in. (10 cm) from joining row.

Rep Decrease Row, removing markers as you come to them – 116 (125, 132, 141, 154) sts.

Work even in Garter st until 6 (6, 7, 7, 7) in. (15 (15, 17.5, 17.5, 17.5) cm) from joining row.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>	<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>sm = slip marker</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>WS = wrong side</u>	

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