



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand[®] Wool-Ease[®] Thick & Quick[®]
Striped Boyfriend Cardigan
Pattern Number: L32253B



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Free Knitting Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn

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SKILL LEVEL: Easy + (Level 3)

SIZE: Varies, Adult (Multiple Sizes)

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

Finished Bust 40 (49, 58) in. (101.5 (124.5, 147.5) cm)

Finished Length 37 (39, 41) in. (94 (99, 104) 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 Oct 1, 2014. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

MATERIALS

- 640-147 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Eggplant](#)

3 4, 4 Balls (A)

- 640-146 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Fig](#)

2 3, 3 Balls (B)

- 640-122 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Taupe](#)

3 4, 4 Balls (C)

- 640-132 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Lemongrass](#)

2 3, 3 Balls (D)

- 640-154 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Grey Marble](#)

3 4, 4 Balls (E)

- 640-149 [Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#)

Yarn: [Charcoal](#)

2 3, 3 Balls (F)

- [Lion Brand Knitting](#)

[Needles Size 11 \[8 mm\]](#)

- [Lion Brand Knitting](#)

[Needles- Size 13 \[9 mm\]](#)

- [Lion Brand Split Ring](#)

[Stitch Markers](#)

- [Lion Brand Stitch Holders](#)

[Blunt Needles \(Set of 6\)](#)

**[Wool-Ease Thick & Quick](#) (Article #640).*

Solids, Heathers, Twists: 80% Acrylic, 20% Wool

Wheat & Wood: 86% Acrylic; 10% Wool; 4% Rayon

Oatmeal & Barley & Grey Marble: 82% Acrylic; 10% Wool; 8% Rayon

Metallics: 79% Acrylic, 20% Wool, 1% Metallic Poly; package size: Solids, Heathers, Twists, Tweeds: 6 oz./170g (106 yd/97 m)

Prints, Stripes: 5 oz./140g (87 yd/80 m)

Metallics: 5 oz./140g (92 yd/84 m)



- Additional Materials
Circular needle size 11 (8 mm), 40 in. (101.5 cm)
long

GAUGE:

9 sts + 12 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with larger needles.

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

STITCH EXPLANATION:

M1 (make 1) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop - 1 st increased.

ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog - 1 st decreased.

PATTERN STITCH

K1, p1 Rib (over odd number of sts)

Row 1: K1, *p1, k1; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib.

NOTES:

1. Cardigan is worked in 5 pieces: Back, Left Front, Right Front, and 2 Sleeves.
2. Color is changed on each piece following Stripe Sequence.
3. Pieces are seamed, then st are picked up for front bands and collar.
4. Front bands and collar are worked in one piece and shaped using short rows. Short rows are rows that are worked over a portion of the sts in a row, leaving the remaining sts unworked. To work short rows, the pattern instructions will tell you to 'turn' before you reach the end of the row.

STRIPE SEQUENCE

*Work 4 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 2 rows with A, 4 rows with B, 4 rows with C, 2 rows with D, 2 rows with C, 4 rows with D, 10 (12, 14) rows with E, 4 rows with D, 2 rows with C, 2 rows with D, 4 rows with C, 4 rows with B, 2 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 4 rows with A, 10 (12, 14) rows with F; rep from * for Stripe Sequence.

BACK

With smaller straight needles and A, cast on 55 (65, 75) sts.

Lower Ribbing

Row 1 (RS): With A, work Row 1 of K1, p1 Rib.

Rows 2-12: Continue in K1, p1 Rib changing color following Stripe Sequence.

Body

Change to larger needles.

Changing colors following Stripe Sequence, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) until piece measures about 4 in. (10 cm) above rib, 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.

***Decrease Row (RS):** K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 53 (63, 73) sts.

Continue in St st as established for 4 in. (10 cm), end with a WS row.

Rep from * 3 more times – 47 (57, 67) sts.

Repeat Decrease Row – 45 (55, 65) sts.

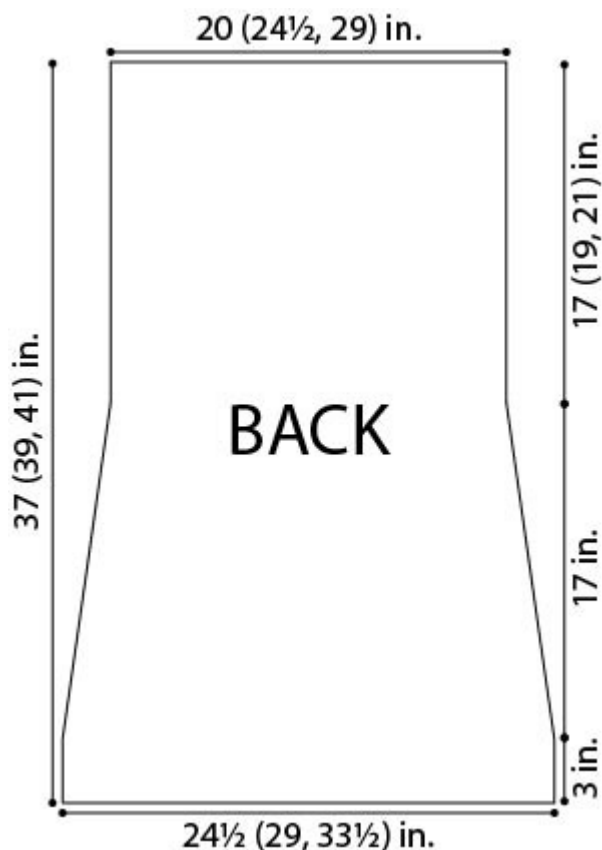
Continue in St st, changing color following Stripe Sequence, until piece measures 37 (39, 41) in. (94 (99, 104) cm) from beg.

Bind off.

POCKET LINING (make 2)

With larger needles and C, cast on 17 sts.

Work in St st until piece measures 10 (11, 12) in. (25.5 (28, 30.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS row. Slip these sts to a st holder.



LEFT FRONT

With smaller straight needles and A, cast on 25 (29, 33) sts.

Lower Ribbing

Row 1 (RS): With A, work Row 1 of K1, p1 Rib.

Rows 2-12: Continue in K1, p1 Rib changing color following Stripe Sequence.

Change to larger needles.

Body

Note: Continue to change color following Stripe Sequence.

Row 1 (RS): K5 (7, 9), place marker (pm), work in K1, p1 Rib as established, over next 17 sts, pm, k3 (5, 7).

Row 2: P to marker, slip marker (sm), work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, p to end of row.

Row 3: K to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, k to end of row.

Row 4: P to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, p to end of row.

Rows 5-14: Rep last 2 rows 5 more times.

Row 15 (Decrease Row): K1, k2tog, k to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, k to end of row – 24 (28, 32) sts.

Rows 16-29: Rep Rows 2-15 – 23 (27, 31) sts at the end of Row 29.

Rows 30-31 (33, 35): Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 1 (2, 3) times.

Join Pocket Lining

Remove markers while working next row.

Row 32 (34, 36): P to marker, bind off 17 sts between markers, purl to end of row.

Row 33 (35, 37): K to bound-off sts; from RS, knit across sts of one Pocket Lining from holder, k to end of row.

Rows 34 (36, 38)-42: Work in St st for 9 (7, 5) rows.

Row 43 (Decrease Row): K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 22 (26, 30) sts.

Rows 44-48 (54, 56): Work in St st for 5 (11, 13) rows.

Size XS/S ONLY

Shape Neck

Row 49: K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 21 sts.

Work in St st for 7 rows.

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 20 sts.

Row 58: Purl.

Row 59: Rep Row 49 – 19 sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 69: Rep Row 49 – 18 sts.

Row 70: Purl.

Row 71: Rep Row 43 – 17 sts.

Size M/L ONLY

Shape Neck

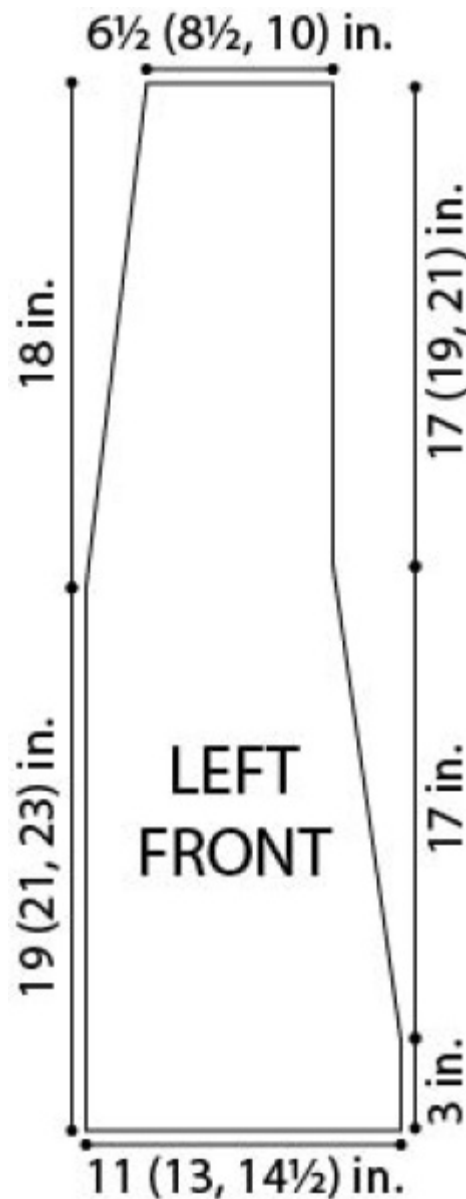
Row 55: K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 25 sts.

Row 56: Purl.

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 24 sts.

Work in St st for 7 rows.

Row 65: Rep Row 55 – 23 sts.



Work in St st for 5 rows.

Row 71: Rep Row 43 – 22 sts.

Size 1X/2X ONLY

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 29 sts.

Work in St st for 3 rows.

Shape Neck

Row 61 (RS): K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 28 sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 71: K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 26 sts.

All Sizes

Work in St st for 7 (3, 9) rows.

Row 79 (75, 81): K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 16 (21, 25) sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 89 (85, 91): K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 15 (20, 24) sts.

Rep last 10 rows 0 (1, 1) more time(s) – 15 (19, 23) sts.

Note: '0' repeats in an instruction, means that for your specific size, you should not perform that particular instruction, just skip to the next part of the instruction.

Work even in St st until piece measures same as Back.

Bind off.

RIGHT FRONT

Cast on and work in rib as for Left Front.

Body

Change to larger needles.

Note: Continue to change color following Stripe Sequence.

Row 1 (RS): K3 (5, 7), place marker (pm), work in K1, p1 Rib as established over next 17 sts, pm, k5 (7, 9).

Row 2: P to marker, slip marker (sm), work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, p to end of row.

Row 3: K to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, k to end of row.

Row 4: P to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, p to end of row.

Rows 5-14: Rep last 2 rows 5 more times.

Row 15 (Decrease Row): K to marker, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to next marker, sm, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 24 (28, 32) sts.

Rows 16-29: Rep Rows 2-15 – 23 (27, 31) sts at the end of Row 29.

Rows 30-31 (33, 35): Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 1 (2, 3) times.

Join Pocket Lining

Remove markers while working next row.

Row 32 (34, 36): P to marker, bind off 17 sts between markers, purl to end of row.

Row 33 (35, 37): K to bound-off sts; from RS, knit across sts of one Pocket Lining from holder, k to end of row.

Rows 34 (36, 38)-42: Work in St st for 9 (7, 5) rows.

Row 43 (Decrease Row): K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 22 (26, 30) sts.

Rows 44-48 (54, 56): Work in St st for 5 (11, 13) rows.

Size XS/S ONLY

Shape Neck

Row 49: K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 21 sts.

Work in St st for 7 rows.

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 20 sts.

Row 58: Purl.

Row 59: Rep Row 49 – 19 sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 69: Rep Row 49 – 18 sts.

Row 70: Purl.

Row 71: Rep Row 43 – 17 sts.

Size M/L ONLY

Shape Neck

Row 55: K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 25 sts.

Row 56: Purl.

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 24 sts.

Work in St st for 7 rows.

Row 65: Rep Row 55 – 23 sts.

Work in St st for 5 rows.

Row 71: Rep Row 43 – 22 sts.

Size 1X/2X ONLY

Row 57: Rep Row 43 – 29 sts.

Work in St st for 3 rows.

Shape Neck

Row 61 (RS): K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 28 sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 71: K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 26 sts.

All Sizes

Work in St st for 7 (3, 9) rows.

Row 79 (75, 81): K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 16 (21, 25) sts.

Work in St st for 9 rows.

Row 89 (85, 91): K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 15 (20, 24) sts.

Rep last 10 rows 0 (1, 1) more time(s) – 15 (19, 23) sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures same as Back.

Bind off.

SLEEVES (make 2)

With smaller straight needles and A, cast on 25 (27, 29) sts.
Work in rib as for back.

Body

Change to larger needles.

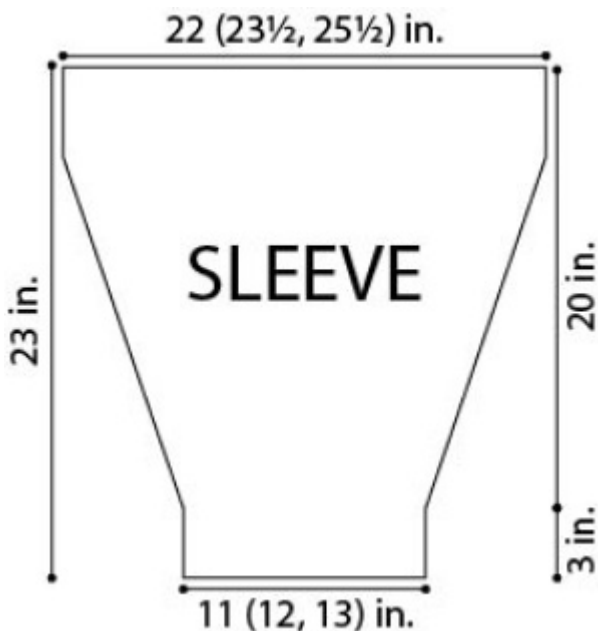
Note: Continue to change colors following Stripe Sequence.
Work in St st for 3 rows.

Increase Row (RS): K1, M1, k to last st, M1, k1 – 27 (29, 31) sts.

Rep last 4 rows 11 (12, 13) more times – 49 (53, 57) sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures 23 in. (58.5 cm).

Bind off.



FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

Front Bands and Collar

Row 1 (RS): From RS with circular needle and A, beg at lower right front corner, pick up and k 1 st in end of each row across right front edge to beg of neck shaping, pm, pick up and knit 1 st in end of each row to right shoulder, pick up and k 1 st in each st across back neck, pick up and k 1 st in end of each row from left shoulder to beg of neck shaping, pm, pick up and k 1 st in end of each row across left front edge to lower left front corner. **Note:** Pick up an additional st if needed to ensure that you have an odd number of sts.

Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles. Slip markers as you come to them.

Row 2: With A, work Row 1 of K1, p1 Rib.

Row 3: With B, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 4: With B, work in K1, p1 Rib to 10 sts before 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 5: With B, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to 10 sts before marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 6: With B, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

Row 7: With C, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 8: With C, work in K1, p1 Rib to 8 sts before 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 9: With C, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to 8 sts before marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 10: With C, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

Row 11: With D, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 12: With D, work in K1, p1 Rib to 6 sts before 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 13: With D, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to 6 sts before marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 14: With D, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

Row 15: With C, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 16: With C, work in K1, p1 Rib to 4 sts before 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 17: With C, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to 4 sts before marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 18: With C, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

Row 19: With B, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 20: With B, work in K1, p1 Rib to 2 sts before 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 21: With B, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to 2 sts before marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 22: With B, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

Row 23: With A, work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 24: With A, work in K1, p1 Rib to 2nd marker (marker on right front), TURN.

Row 25: With A, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib to marker (on left front), TURN.

Row 26: With A, sl 1, work in K1, p1 Rib all the way to end of row.

With A, bind off in rib.

Sew in Sleeves. Sew side and Sleeve seams. Sew Pocket Linings to WS of Fronts.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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beg = begin(s)(ning)	k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 together	p = purl
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	RS = right side
sl st = slip stitch	St st = Stockinette stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)	WS = wrong side

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