



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®**  
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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, 47, 51, 58) in. (96.5 (106.5, 119.5, 129.5, 147.5) 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 4, 2016. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

#### MATERIALS

• 860-107 Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Yarn: \* \_\_\_\_\_ ( # 0). 100%  
Sapphire

7 7, 8, 9, 10 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 9 (5.5 mm),  
60 in. (152.5 cm) long

**400, 401, 403:** % , %  
**402:** % , %  
**Solids:** . (100 ) , 1 0 (1 )  
**Prints, Tweeds, & Heathers:** ( ) ,  
1 (1 )  
**Twists:** . ( 0 ) , 1 1 (11 )



#### GAUGE:

15 sts + 24 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in Seed st.

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:

##### PATTERN STITCH

**Seed St (worked over an odd number of sts)**

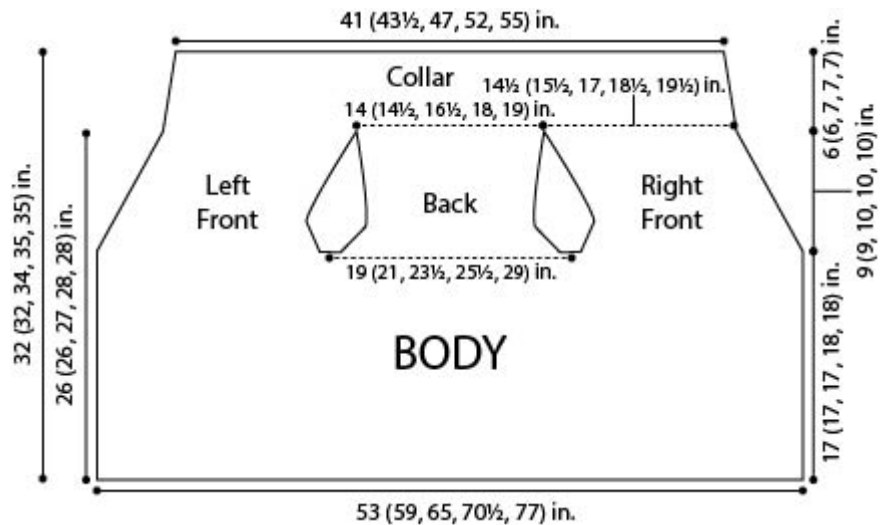
**Row 1 (RS):** \*K1, p1; rep from \* to last st, k1.

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

Rep Row 2 for Seed st.

#### NOTES:

1. Vest is worked in one piece beg at lower edge. Piece is divided at armholes and fronts and back are 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 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 199 (221, 243, 265, 289).

Beg with Row 1, work in Seed St 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 as the last row you work.

### Divide for Armholes

**Next Row (RS):** Work in Seed st over first 61 (67, 71, 77, 83) sts for right front and sl to a holder, bind off next 6 (8, 12, 14, 16) sts for armhole, work in Seed st over next 65 (71, 77, 83, 91) sts for back and sl to a holder, bind off next 6 (8, 12, 14, 16) sts for armhole, work in Seed st to end – 61 (67, 71, 77, 83) sts rem for left front.

### Left Front

**Row 1 Decrease (WS):** Work in Seed st to last 3 sts of left front, p2tog, k1 – 60 (66, 70, 76, 82) sts.

**Next Row:** Work in Seed st across.

**Decrease Row:** Rep Row 1 – 59 (65, 69, 75, 81) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 4 (6, 6, 6, 8) more times – 55 (59, 63, 69, 73) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in Seed 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 as the last row you work.

Cut yarn and sl sts to a holder.

### Back

Sl 65 (71, 77, 83, 91) back sts from holder back to needle and join yarn, ready to work a WS row.

**Decrease Row (WS):** K1, p2tog, work in Seed st to last 3 sts of back, p2tog, k1 – 63 (69, 75, 81, 89) sts.

**Next Row:** Work in Seed st to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows 5 (7, 7, 7, 9) more times – 53 (55, 61, 67, 71) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in Seed 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 61 (67, 71, 77, 83) right front sts back to needle and join yarn, ready to work a WS row.

**Decrease Row (WS):** K1, p2tog, work in Seed st to end of row – 60 (66, 70, 76, 82) sts.

**Next Row:** Work in Seed st across.

Rep last 2 rows 5 (7, 7, 7, 9) more times – 55 (59, 63, 69, 73) sts when all decreases have been completed.

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

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):** Work in Seed st to last st of right front, k2tog (last st of right front and first st of back), place marker (pm), work in Seed st to last st of back, k2tog (last st of back and first st of left front), pm, work in Seed st to end of left front – 161 (171, 185, 203, 215) sts.

### Shape Collar

Slipping markers as you come to them, work even in Seed st until about 2 in. (5 cm) from joining row, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Decrease Row 1 (RS):** Working in Seed st as established, work to 2 sts before first marker, k2tog, slip marker (sm), p2tog, work in Seed st to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p2tog, work in Seed st to end of row – 157 (167, 181, 199, 211) sts.

Work even in Seed st until about 4 in. (10 cm) from joining row, end with a WS row.

**Decrease Row 2 (RS):** Work in Seed st as established, work to 2 sts before first marker, p2tog, remove marker, k2tog, work in Seed st to 2 sts before next marker, p2tog, remove marker, k2tog, work in Seed st to end of row – 153 (163,

177, 195, 207) sts.

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

Bind off in Seed st.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

<b>ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES</b>	
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<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>	<u>p = purl</u>
<u>p2tog = purl 2 together</u>	<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>sl = slip</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>WS = wrong side</u>	

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