



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Gold Leaf®**  
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**SKILL LEVEL:** Intermediate (Level 3)

**SIZE:** Adult (Multiple Sizes)

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

**Finished Bust** About 45 (54, 66) in. (114.5 (137, 167.5) cm)

**Finished Length** About 28 1/2 (29 1/2, 30 1/2) in. (72 (75, 77.5) cm)

**CORRECTIONS:** None as of Dec 6, 2014. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

#### **MATERIALS**

- 231-149 Lion Brand Gold Leaf: Grey/Silver  
16 20, 26 Balls

- Lion Brand Knitting Needles - Size 10 [6 mm]

- Lion Brand Knitting Needles Size 11 [8 mm]

*\*Gold Leaf (Article #231). 90% Acrylic, 10% Wool, Exclusive of Decoration; package size: 2.60oz/75.00 gr. (49yds/45m) pull skeins*

- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers

- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)

- Additional Materials  
Eight buttons, about 1 1/4 in. (32 mm) diameter  
Sewing needle and thread



#### **GAUGE:**

9 sts + 13 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in Lace stitch using 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:**

**Double yo** Wrap yarn around needle twice.

On next row, purl in first yo and purl through the back loop of second yo.

**kfb (knit in front and back)** Knit next st without removing it from left needle, then k through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**pfb (purl in front and back)** Purl next st without removing it from left needle, then p through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**skp** Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 1, pass slip stitch over knit stitch – 1 st decreased.

### PATTERN STITCHES

#### **K1, p2 Rib (multiple of 3 sts + 2 extra sts)**

**Row 1 (RS):** P2, \*k1, p2; rep from \* to end of row.

**Row 2:** K2, \*p1, k2; rep from \* to end of row.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for K1, p2 rib.

#### **Lace Stitch (multiple of 6 sts + 4 extra sts)**

**Row 1 (RS):** \*K2, skp, double yo, k2tog; rep from to last 4 sts, k4.

**Row 2 and All WS Rows:** Purl.

**Row 3:** Knit.

**Row 5:** K4, \*skp, double yo, k2tog, k2; rep from \* to end of row.

**Row 7:** Knit.

**Row 8:** Purl.

Rep Rows 1-8 for Lace st.

### NOTES:

1. Cardigan is worked in 5 pieces, Back, 2 Fronts and 2 Sleeves.
2. 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.
3. When you see "– 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.

### BACK

With smaller needles, cast on 65 (77, 89) sts.

Beg with Row 1, work in K1, p2 rib for 3 1/2 in. (9 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

**Dec Row (WS):** P0 (8, 8), (p2tog, p3 (3, 4)) 13 times, p0 (4, 3) – 52 (64, 76) sts rem.

Change to larger needles and beg with Row 1, work in Lace st until piece measures about 16 in. (40.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as last row worked.

#### **Shape Armhole**

**Dec Row (RS):** Skp, work to last 2 sts, k2tog – 50 (62, 74) sts.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 4 (4, 8) more times – 42 (54, 58) sts on last row worked.

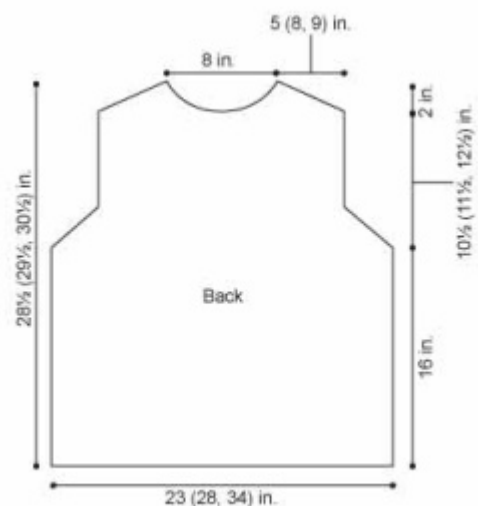
Work even (without changing the number of sts) until armholes measure about 10 1/2 (11 1/2, 12 1/2) in. (26.5 (29, 32) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

#### **Shape Neck and Shoulders**

Mark center 12 sts for Neck.

**Row 1 (RS):** Work 15 (21, 23) right shoulder sts, join a 2nd ball of yarn and bind off center 12 sts for neck, work to end of row for left shoulder – 15 (21, 23) sts on each side.

You will now work both sides AT THE SAME TIME with



separate balls of yarn.

**Row 2:** On first side, work to end; on second side, bind off 2 sts, work to end – 15 (21, 23) sts on first side; 13 (19, 21) sts on second side.

**Row 3:** On first side, bind off 4 (6, 7) sts, work to end; on second side, bind off 2 sts, work to end – 9 (13, 14) sts on first side; 13 (19, 21) sts on second side.

**Row 4:** On first side, bind off 4 (6, 7) sts, work to end; on second side, work to end – 9 (13, 14) sts on each side.

**Row 5:** On first side, bind off 4 (6, 7) sts, work to last 2 sts, k2tog; on second side, k2tog, work to end – 4 (6, 6) sts on first side; 8 (12, 13) sts on second side.

**Row 6:** On first side, bind off 4 (6, 7) sts, work to end; on second side, work to end – 4 (6, 6) sts on each side.

**Row 7:** On first side, bind off rem 4 (6, 6) sts; on second side, work to end.  
Bind off rem 4 (6, 6) sts.

#### LEFT FRONT

With smaller needles, cast on 29 (38, 44) sts.

Beg with Row 1, work in K1, p2 rib for 3 1/2 in. (9 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

**Dec Row (WS):** P4 (4, 2), (p2tog, p1 (1, 2)) 7 (10, 10) times, p4 (4, 2) – 22 (28, 34) sts.

Change to larger needles and beg with Row 1, work in Lace st until piece measures about 16 in. (40.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

#### Shape Armhole

**Dec Row (RS):** Skp, work to end of row – 21 (27, 33) sts.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 4 (4, 8) more times – 17 (23, 25) sts on last row worked.

Work even until armhole measures about 9 1/2 (10 1/2, 11 1/2) in. (19 (21.5, 24) cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

#### Shape Neck

Bind off 2 sts at beg of next WS row twice, then 1 st at beg of next WS row once – 12 (18, 20) sts on last row worked.

Work even until piece measures same length as back to shoulders, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

#### Shape Shoulders

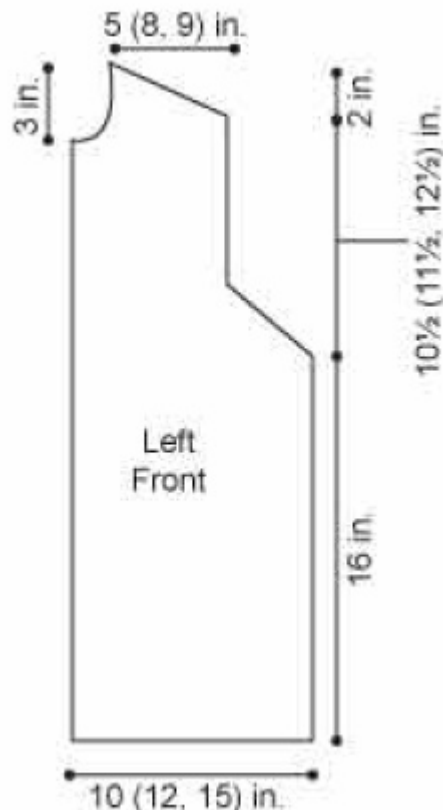
Bind off 4 (6, 7) at beg of next RS row twice, then rem 4 (6, 6) sts at beg of next RS row.

#### RIGHT FRONT

Cast on and work same as Left Front to Shape Armhole.

#### Shape Armhole

**Dec Row (RS):** Work to last 2 sts, k2tog – 21 (27,



33) sts rem.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 4 (4, 8) more times – 17 (23, 25) sts on last row worked.

Work even until armhole measures about 9 1/2 (10 1/2, 11 1/2) in. (19 (21.5, 24) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Neck

Bind off 2 sts at beg of next RS row twice, then 1 st at beg of next RS row once – 12 (18, 20) sts on last row worked.

Work even until piece measures same length as back to shoulders, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Shoulders

Bind off 4 (6, 7) at beg of next WS row twice, then rem 4 (6, 6) sts at beg of next WS row.

## SLEEVES (Make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 32 (35, 38) sts.

Beg with Row 1, work in K1, p2 rib for 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm), end with a RS as the last row you work.

**Inc Row (WS):** (P3, pfb, p12 (3, 0)) 2 (5, 8) times, p0 (0, 6) – 34 (40, 46) sts.

Change to larger needles and beg with Row 1, work in Lace st for 6 rows, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Inc Row (RS):** Kfb, work to last st, kfb – 36 (42, 48) sts.

Rep Inc Row every 6th row 6 more times, working new sts in Lace st – 48 (54, 60) on last row worked.

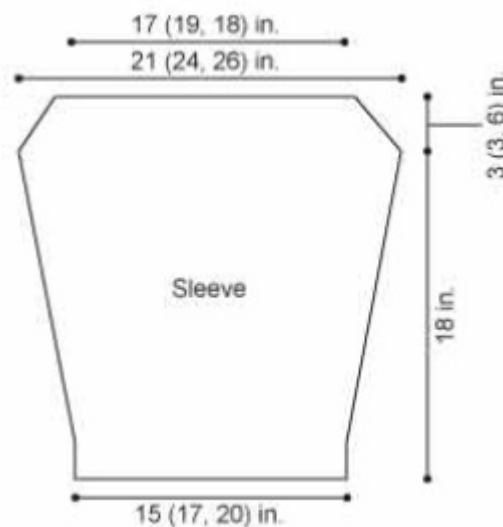
Work even until piece measures about 18 in. (40.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Cap (top of sleeve)

**Dec Row (RS):** Skp, work to last 2 sts, k2tog – 46 (52, 58) sts.

Rep Dec Row every RS row 4 (4, 8) more times – 38 (44, 42) sts on last row worked.

Bind off.



## FINISHING

Sew Shoulder seams. Sew in Sleeves. Sew side and Sleeve seams.

### Neckband

From RS with smaller needles, join yarn at Right Front neck edge, pick up and k47 sts as evenly spaced as possible around neck, ending at Left Front neck edge.

Work in K1, p2 rib for 1 1/2 in. (4 cm).

Bind off.

Mark for 8 buttons along Left Front edge with first marker 1 in. (2.5 cm) from neck edge and last marker 1 in. (2.5 cm) from lower edge.

### Buttonband

From RS with smaller needles, join yarn at neck edge of Left Front, pick up and k68 (71, 74) sts as evenly spaced as possible along front edge.

Work in K1, p2 rib for 2 in. (5 cm).

Bind off.

### Buttonhole Band

From RS with smaller needles, join yarn at lower edge of Right Front, pick up and k68 (71, 74) sts as evenly spaced as possible along front edge.

Work in K1, p2 rib for 2 rows.

**Buttonhole Row (RS):** (Work in rib to button marker, p2tog, yo) 8 times, work in rib to end of row.

Work in K1, p2 rib until buttonhole band measures 2 in. (5 cm).

Bind off.

With sewing needle and thread, sew buttons onto buttonband opposite buttonholes.

Weave in ends.

<b>ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES</b>	
Click for explanation and illustration	
<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</u>
<u>inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)</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>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>	<u>WS = wrong side</u>

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