



***Free Knitting Pattern***  
**Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®**  
**Naturally Neutral Vest**  
Pattern Number: L0465



## **SKILL LEVEL – Intermediate**

### **SIZES**

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

**Finished Bust** 36 (38, 42 1/2, 46, 50) in. (91.5 (96.5, 108, 117, 127) cm), closed.

**Finished Length** 27 (27 1/2, 28, 28 1/2, 29 1/2) in. (68.5 (70, 71, 72.5, 75) cm), including lower band

**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.

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice® (Art. #860)
  - 153 Black 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) balls (A)
  - 126 Chocolate 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) balls (B)
  - 099 Linen 2 (4, 4, 6, 6) balls (C)
  - or colors of your choice
- Lion Brand® circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 8 (5 mm)
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 9 (5.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **GAUGE**

15 sts + 21 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS), with larger needles. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

### **NOTES**

1. Back is worked from lower edge upwards. Fronts are worked from side to side, from the center front toward the side edge.
2. The Center Front Garter st bands at beg of both fronts are decreased at both ends. The shaped edges of these bands are sewn tog later with the shaped edges of the lower band and neckband.

### **STITCH EXPLANATIONS**

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

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

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

**ssp (slip, slip, purl)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; slip them back to left needle; purl them together through back loops – 1 st decreased.

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## **STRIPE SEQUENCE**

Work in St st (k on RS, p on WS), \*10 rows with B, 14 rows with C, 6 rows with A, 10 rows with B, 6 rows with A, 14 rows with C, 8 rows with A; rep from \* for Stripe Sequence.

## **RIGHT FRONT**

### **Garter St Band**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 72 sts.

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Skp, knit across to last 2 sts, k2tog – 70 sts at the end of this row.

Rep last 2 rows 6 more times – 58 sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Striped Body**

Change to larger needles and B. Beg working in Stripe Sequence.

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Purl across to last 2 sts, pbf, p1 – 59 sts at the end of this row.

Working in Stripe Sequence as established, rep last 2 rows 12 (14, 16, 18, 20) more times – 71 (73, 75, 77, 79) sts when all reps completed.

**Next Row (RS):** Kfb, knit to end – 72 (74, 76, 78, 80) sts at the end of this row.

**Next Row:** Purl across to last 2 sts, pbf, p1 – 73 (75, 77, 79, 81) sts at the end of this row.

Rep last 2 rows 12 more times – 97 (99, 101, 103, 105) sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Shape Shoulder**

**Row 1 (RS):** K2, skp, knit to end – 96 (98, 100, 102, 104) sts.

**Row 2:** Purl across to last 4 sts, ssp, p2 – 95 (97, 99, 101, 103) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 6 more times – 83 (85, 87, 89, 91) sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Shape Armhole**

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 25 (26, 27, 28, 29) sts, knit to end – 58 (59, 60, 61, 62) sts.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K1, skp, knit to end – 57 (58, 59, 60, 61) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 3 (4, 5, 6, 7) more times – 54 sts when all reps have been completed.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** Knit.

Bind off.

## **LEFT FRONT**

### **Garter St Band**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 72 sts.

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Skp, knit across to last 2 sts, k2tog – 70 sts at the end of this row.

Rep last 2 rows 6 more times – 58 sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Striped Body**

Change to larger needles and B. Beg working in Stripe Sequence.

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**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Pbf, purl to end – 59 sts at the end of this row.

Working in Stripe Sequence as established, rep last 2 rows 12 (14, 16, 18, 20) times – 71 (73, 75, 77, 79) sts when all reps have been completed.

**Next Row (RS):** K across to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 72 (74, 76, 78, 80) sts.

**Next Row:** Pbf, purl to end – 73 (75, 77, 79, 81) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 12 more times – 97 (99, 101, 103, 105) sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Shape Shoulder**

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit across to last 2 sts, k2tog, k2 – 96 (98, 100, 102, 104) sts.

**Row 2:** P2, p2tog, purl to end – 95 (97, 99, 101, 103) sts at the end of this row.

Rep last 2 rows 6 more times – 83 (85, 87, 89, 91) sts when all reps have been completed.

### **Shape Armhole**

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit across to last 25 (26, 27, 28, 29) sts, bind off last 25 (26, 27, 28, 29) sts – 58 (59, 60, 61, 62) sts.

Rejoin yarn to work next (WS) row.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** Knit across to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 57 (58, 59, 60, 61) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 3 (4, 5, 6, 7) more times – 54 sts when all reps completed.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** Knit.

Bind off.

## **BACK**

**Note:** Back begins at lower edge, lower Garter st band will be added later.

With larger needles and B, cast on 76 (80, 88, 94, 102) sts.

Beg working in Stripe Sequence.

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Rows 3-18:** Rep last 2 rows 8 more times.

**Row 19 (RS):** K1, skp, knit across to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 74 (78, 86, 92, 100) sts at the end of this row.

Rep Rows 2-19, 3 more times – 68 (72, 80, 86, 94) sts when all reps completed.

Work even in St st (k on RS, p on WS) and Stripe Sequence until piece measures 14 1/2 in. (37 cm), end with a WS row.

### **Shape Armholes**

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 6) sts, knit to end – 64 (68, 75, 81, 88) sts at the end of this row.

**Row 2:** Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 6) sts, purl to end – 60 (64, 70, 76, 82) sts at the end of this row.

**Row 3:** Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3, 3) sts, knit to end – 58 (62, 68, 73, 79) sts.

**Row 4:** Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3, 3) sts, purl to end – 56 (60, 66, 70, 76) sts.

**Row 5:** K1, skp, knit across to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 54 (58, 64, 68, 74) sts.

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**Row 6:** Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 2 (3, 5, 6, 7) more times – 50 (52, 54, 56, 60) sts when all reps completed.

Work even in St st and Stripe Sequence until armhole measures 8 (8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2, 10) in. (20.5 (21.5, 23, 24, 25.5) cm), end with a WS row.

**Shape Shoulders**

**Row 1 (RS):** K2, skp, knit across to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2 – 48 (51, 53, 54, 58) sts at the end of this row.

**Row 2:** P2, p2tog, purl to last 4 sts, ssp, p2 – 46 (49, 51, 52, 56) sts.

Rep last 2 rows 6 more times – 22 (25, 27, 28, 32) sts.

Bind off.

**FINISHING**

Sew shoulder seams.

**Note:** Circular needle is used to accommodate large number of sts in bands.

Work back and forth on circular needle as if working on straight needles.

**Armhole Edging**

With RS facing, circular needle and B, pick up and k64 (68, 72, 76, 80) sts evenly spaced along armhole edge.

**Row 1 (WS):** Knit. Change to A.

**Row 2:** With A, purl.

From WS, bind off as if to knit.

Sew side seams, including armhole edging.

**Neckband**

With RS facing, circular needle and A, beg inside Garter st band of right front, pick up and k44 (46, 48, 51, 54) sts evenly along right front neck, pick up and k22 (24, 26, 28, 32) sts along Back neck, then pick up and k44 (46, 48, 51, 54) sts evenly along left front neck to Garter st band of left front – 110 (116, 122, 130, 140) sts.

**Row 1 (WS):** K1, kfb, knit across to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 112 (118, 124, 132, 142) sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

Rep last 2 rows 5 more times, then rep Row 1 once more – 124 (130, 136, 144, 154) sts.

Bind off.

**Lower Band**

With RS facing, circular needle and A, beg inside Garter st band of left front, pick up and k182 (190, 198, 214, 232) sts evenly spaced along lower edge to Garter st band of Right Front.

**Row 1 (WS):** K1, kfb, knit across to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 184 (192, 200, 216, 234) sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

Rep last 2 rows 5 more times, then rep Row 1 once more – 196 (204, 212, 228, 246) sts. Bind off.

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Sew shaped ends of front bands, neckband and lower band tog. Weave in ends.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg = begin(ning)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 together

rep(s) = repeat(s)

RS = right side

St st = Stockinette stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

tog = together

WS = wrong side

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