

# Free Knitting Pattern Lion Brand® New Basic 175 Favorite Cardigan Pattern Number: L70002



# SKILL LEVEL - Easy+

## **SIZES**

S (M, L 1X, 2X)

**Finished Bust** About 37 (41, 45, 49, 53) in. (94 (104, 114.5, 124.5, 134.5) cm) **Finished Length** About 19 (19, 19 1/2, 20, 20 1/2) in. (48.5 (48.5, 49.5, 51, 52) 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.

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® New Basic 175 (Art. #675)
  - 108 Juniper 5 (6, 7, 7, 8) balls
- Lion Brand® double pointed needles size 8 (5 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



#### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 16 in. (40.5 cm) Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) 6 buttons, 1/2 in. (13 mm) diameter

#### **GAUGE**

16 sts + 22 1/2 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) over St st worked in rows (k on RS, p on WS).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

#### STITCH EXPLANATIONS

**M1** (make 1) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto 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 hand needle; insert left hand needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them together – 1 st decreased.

## yo (yarn over)

An increase that also creates a small hole (eyelet or buttonhole) in the fabric, worked as follows:

- 1. Bring yarn to front, between the needles.
- 2. Take yarn to back, over the right hand needle. This creates the new st. You are now ready to proceed with the next st as instructed.

# **PATTERN STITCHES**

K1, p1 Rib worked in rows (worked over an 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 worked over an odd number of sts.

# K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds (worked over an even number of sts)

Rnd 1: \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end of rnd.

Rep Rnd 1 for K1, p1 rib worked in rnds.

## **NOTES**

- 1. Cardigan is worked in 3 pieces: Body and 2 Sleeves.
- 2. Sleeves are worked first, in the rnd, and set aside. Body is then worked, back and forth in rows, from lower edge up to armholes.
- 3. At armholes, Sleeves are joined and worked in one piece with body of Cardigan.
- 4. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle as if working with straight needles.
- 5. When you see 'work even' in the instructions, this means to continue on in the pattern stitches you have established without changing the stitch count by increasing, decreasing, or binding off.

# **SLEEVES** (make 2)

With double pointed needles, cast on 42 (44, 44, 48, 50) sts.

Divide sts onto 3 needles, with 14 (15, 15, 16, 17) sts on each of 2 needles and 14 (14, 14, 16, 16) on the 3rd needle. Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on the left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.

#### Ribbing

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds until piece measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm) from beg increasing 0 (1, 1, 0, 1) st in the last rnd -42 (45, 45, 48, 51) sts.

#### **Body**

Knit 8 (8, 7, 7, 7) rnds.

**Note:** As you continue to repeat the Increase Rnd, change to shorter circular needle when sts have been sufficiently increased.

**Increase Rnd:** K1, M1, k to last st, M1, k1 – you will have 44 (47, 47, 50, 53) sts in this rnd.

Rep last 9 (9, 8, 8, 8) rnds for 6 (6, 8, 9, 9) more times -56 (59, 63, 68, 71) sts. Work even in St st worked in rnds (k every rnd) until piece measures about 18 (18, 18 1/2, 18 1/2, 19) in. (45.5 (45.5, 47, 47, 48.5) cm) from beg.

**Next Rnd:** K to last 4 (5, 6, 7, 8) sts, bind off last 4 (5, 6, 7, 8) sts and remove beg of rnd marker, bind off next 4 (5, 6, 7, 8) sts, k to end of rnd – 48 (49, 51, 54, 55) sts.

Place rem sts on a holder.

## **BODY**

With longer circular needle, cast on 147 (163, 179, 195, 211) sts. Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

## Ribbing

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rows until piece measures about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) from beg.

#### **Body**

**Row 1 (RS):** K35 (39, 43, 47, 51) for right front, place marker (pm), p4, pm, k69 (77, 85, 93, 101) for back, pm, p4, pm, k to end of row for left front.

Row 2: (P to next marker, slip marker (sm), k1, p2, k1, sm) twice, p to end of row.

Row 3: (K to next marker, sm, p4, sm) twice, k to end of row.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 until piece measures about 10 1/2 in. (26.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

#### **Divide for Armholes and Join Sleeves**

Note: Remove markers as you work the next row.

**Next Row (RS):** (K to 2 (3, 4, 5, 6) sts before next marker, bind off 8 (10, 12, 14, 16) sts) twice, k to end of row – 131 (143, 155, 167, 179) sts (33 (36, 39, 42, 45) sts for each front and 65 (71, 77, 83, 89) sts for back).

**Next Row (WS):** P to next bind off, p all sts of one Sleeve from holder, p to next bind off, p all sts of rem Sleeve from holder, p to end of Body – 227 (241, 257, 275, 289) sts.

#### Shape Raglans

**Row 1 (RS):** K31 (34, 37, 40, 43) for right front, pm, p4, pm, k44 (45, 47, 50, 51) for sleeve, pm, p4, pm, k61 (67, 73, 79, 85) for back, pm, p4, pm, k44 (45, 47, 50, 51) for sleeve, pm, p4, pm, k to end of row for left front.

Row 2: (P to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row.

**Row 3 (Raglan Decrease Row):** (K to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 4 times, k to end of row – 219 (233, 249, 267, 281) sts.

Row 4: (P to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row.

Row 5: (K to next marker, sm, p4, sm) 4 times, k to end of row.

**Rows 6-9:** Rep Rows 2-5 – 211 (225, 241, 259, 273) sts when Row 7 is complete.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 9 (10, 11, 12, 13) more times – 139 (145, 153, 163, 169) sts (20 (22, 24, 26, 28) sts for each front, 22 (21, 21, 22, 21) sts for sleeve, 39 (43, 47, 51, 55) sts for back).

Next Row: Rep Row 2.

# **Shape Neck and Continue Raglan Shaping**

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 4 times, k to end of row – 126 (131, 138, 147, 152) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row – 121 (125, 131, 139, 143) sts.

**Row 3:** Bind off 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) sts, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 4 times, k to end of row – 110 (113, 119, 126, 130) sts.

**Row 4:** Bind off 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) sts, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row – 107 (109, 115, 121, 125) sts.

**Row 5:** Bind off 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) sts, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 4 times, k to end of row – 97 (99, 104, 110, 113) sts.

**Row 6:** Bind off 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) sts, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row – 95 (97, 101, 107, 109) sts.

**Row 7:** K1, k2tog, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 4 times, k to end of row – 86 (88, 92, 98, 100) sts.

**Row 8:** P1, p2tog, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 4 times, p to end of row – 85 (87, 91, 97, 99) sts.

**Row 9:** K1, (k2tog) twice, remove marker, p4, sm, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 3 times, k to end of row – 76 (78, 82, 88, 90) sts. **Row 10:** Rep Row 8 – 75 (77, 81, 87, 89) sts.

**Row 11:** K1, k2tog, p4, sm, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 2 times, k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, k to end of row – 68 (70, 74, 80, 82) sts.

**Row 12:** P1, p2tog, remove marker, k1, p2, k1, sm, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 3 times, p to end of row – 67 (69, 73, 79, 81) sts.

**Row 13:** K1, k2tog, p3, sm, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 2 times, k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, k to end of row – 60 (62, 66, 72, 74) sts.

**Row 14:** P1, p2tog, p2, k1, sm, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 2 times, p to next marker, sm, k1, p to end of row – 59 (61, 65, 71, 73) sts.

**Row 15:** K1, k2tog, p2, sm, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 2 times, k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p2, k to end of row – 52 (54, 58, 64, 66) sts.

**Row 16:** P1, p2tog, p1, k1, sm, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 2 times, p to next marker, sm, k1, p to end of row – 51 (53, 57, 63, 65) sts.

**Row 17:** K1, k2tog, k1, sm, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 2 times, k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p1, k to end of row – 44 (46, 50, 56, 58) sts.

**Row 18:** P1, p2tog, p1, sm, (p to next marker, sm, k1, p2, k1, sm) 2 times, p to next marker, sm, p to end of row -43 (45, 49, 55, 57) sts.

**Row 19:** K1, k2tog, remove marker, ssk, (k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, sm, p4, sm, ssk) 2 times, k to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, remove marker, k to end of row – 36 (38, 42, 48, 50) sts.

Note: Remove markers as you work the next row.

**Row 20:** P1, p2tog, (p to next marker, k1, p2, k1) 2 times, p to end of row – 35 (37, 41, 47, 49) sts.

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Place rem sts on a holder.

#### **FINISHING**

#### **Left Front Band**

From RS with longer circular needle, beg at top left front corner and working along left front edge, pick up and k2 sts for every 3 rows down to lower edge. Knit 6 rows.

Bind off loosely.

# **Right Front Band**

From RS with longer circular needle, beg at lower right front corner and working along right front edge, pick up same number of sts as in left front band. Knit 3 rows.

Place 6 markers evenly spaced on band, placing first marker about 1 in. (2.5 cm) below neck edge, another marker about 1 in. (2.5 cm) above lower edge, and rem 4 markers evenly spaced between the first 2 markers.

**Buttonhole Row (RS):** (K to next marker, remove marker, k2tog, yo) 6 times, k to end of row.

Knit 2 rows.

Bind off loosely.

#### Neckband

**Row 1 (RS):** From RS with longer circular needle, pick up and k4 sts evenly across edge of right front band, and 15 (17, 19, 21, 23) sts along left front neck edge, k the 35 (37, 41, 47, 49) sts from holder, pick up and k15 (17, 19, 21, 23) sts along right front neck edge, and 4 sts across edge of left front band - 73 (79, 87, 97, 103) sts.

**Row 2:** P2, \*k1, p1; rep from \* to last st, p1.

Row 3: K2, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to last st, k1.

Row 4: Rep Row 2.

Knit 1 row, purl 1 row.

Bind off loosely.

Sew underarm seams. Sew buttons to left front band opposite buttonholes.

Weave in ends.

# **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg = begin(ning)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

rem = remain(ing)(s)

rep = repeat

rnd(s) = round(s)

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RS = right side st(s) = stitch(es) St st = Stockinette stitch WS = wrong side

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