



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Homespun®
Homespun® Thick & Quick®
Casual Cardigan Vest
Pattern Number: L70271
Designed by Susan



SKILL LEVEL – Easy

SIZES

S (M, L, 1X)

Finished Bust 38 (42, 45, 50) in. (96.5 (106.5, 114.5, 127) cm)

Finished Length 27 (27, 28, 28) in. (68.5 (68.5, 71, 71) 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® Homespun® (Art. #790)
 - 309 Deco 2 (3, 3, 3) skeins (A)
- Lion Brand® Homespun® Thick & Quick® (Art. #792)
 - 412 Pearls 2 (3, 3, 3) skeins (B)
- Lion Brand® circular needle size 17 (13 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



GAUGE

7 sts = about 4 3/4 in. (12 cm); 8 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with 1 strand each of A and B held together.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATION

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

NOTES

1. Vest is worked in one piece with 1 strand each of yarns A and B held together throughout.
2. Vest is very stretchy and will fit a range of sizes.
3. At underarms, piece is divided and fronts and back are worked separately.
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 on straight needles.
5. 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.

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CARDIGAN

Body

With 1 strand each of A and B held together, cast on 67 (73, 77, 85) sts.

Row 1 (WS): P1, *k1, p1; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2: K1, *p1, k1; rep from * to end of row.

Row 3: P33 (36, 38, 42), p2tog, p to end of row – you will have 66 (72, 76, 84) sts in this row.

Row 4: Knit.

Work even in St st (k on RS, p on WS) until piece measures about 11 in. (28 cm) from beg, end with a WS (purl) row as the last row you work.

Next Row (Decrease Row – RS): K14 (16, 17, 19), skp, k3, place marker (pm), k3, k2tog, k18 (20, 22, 26), skp, k3, pm, k3, k2tog, k14 (16, 17, 19) – 62 (68, 72, 80) sts.

Work even in St st for 7 rows, slipping markers as you come to them.

Next Row: *K to 5 sts before next marker, skp, k3, slip marker (sm), k3, k2tog; rep from * once more, k to end of row – 58 (64, 68, 76) sts.

Work even in St st, slipping markers as you come to them, until piece measures about 19 in. (48.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Divide for Fronts and Back

Next Row (RS): K5 (6, 6, 6), pm, skp, k to 2 (2, 3, 3) sts before next marker, slip the 14 (16, 16, 18) sts on the right needle onto a st holder for right front, bind off next 4 (4, 6, 6) sts for underarm removing marker as you bind off, k to 2 (2, 3, 3) sts before next marker, place the 20 (22, 22, 26) sts on the right needle onto a st holder for back, bind off next 4 (4, 6, 6) sts for underarm removing marker as you bind off, k to last 7 (8, 8, 8) sts, k2tog, pm, k5 (6, 6, 6) – 14 (16, 16, 18) sts remain on needle for left front.

Continue to slip markers as you come to them.

Left Front

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K1, skp, k to end of row – 13 (15, 15, 17) sts.

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: K1, (skp) 0 (1, 1, 1) time(s), k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, sm, k to end of row – 12 (13, 13, 15) sts. **Note:** When you see '0' repeats in an instruction, this means that for that size, you should not work any sts, just skip to the next part of the instruction.

Rows 5-7: Work even in St st for 3 rows.

Row 8: K to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, sm, k to end of row – 11 (12, 12, 14) sts.

Rows 9-12: Rep Rows 5-8 – 10 (11, 11, 13) sts.

Work even in St st until armhole measures about 8 (8, 9, 9) in. (20.5 (20.5, 23, 23) cm) from divide, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Next Row (RS): Bind off 5 (5, 5, 7) sts, k to end of row – 5 (6, 6, 6) sts.

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Back Neck Extension

Work even in St st for about 3 (3 1/2, 3 1/2, 3 1/2) in. (7.5 (9, 9, 9) cm).
Bind off.

Back

Return the 20 (22, 22, 26) back sts from st holder to needle so that you are ready to work a WS row.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K1, skp, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 18 (20, 20, 24) sts.

Work even in St st until back measures same as left front to Back Neck Extension.

Bind off.

Right Front

Return the 14 (16, 16, 18) right front sts from st holder to needle so that you are ready to work a WS row.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 13 (15, 15, 17) sts.

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: K to marker, sm, skp, k to last 3 sts, (k2tog) 0 (1, 1, 1) time(s), k to end of row – 12 (13, 13, 15) sts.

Rows 5-7: Work even in St st for 3 rows.

Row 8: K to marker, sm, skp, k to end of row – 11 (12, 12, 14) sts.

Rows 9-12: Rep Rows 5-8 – 10 (11, 11, 13) sts.

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

Next Row (WS): Bind off 5 (5, 5, 7) sts, p to end of row – 5 (6, 6, 6) sts.

Back Neck Extension

Work even in St st for 3 (3 1/2, 3 1/2, 3 1/2) in. (7.5 (9, 9, 9) cm).
Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

Sew bound-off edges of back neck extensions together, then sew side edges of extensions to back neck.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

rep = repeat

RS = right side

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

WS = wrong side

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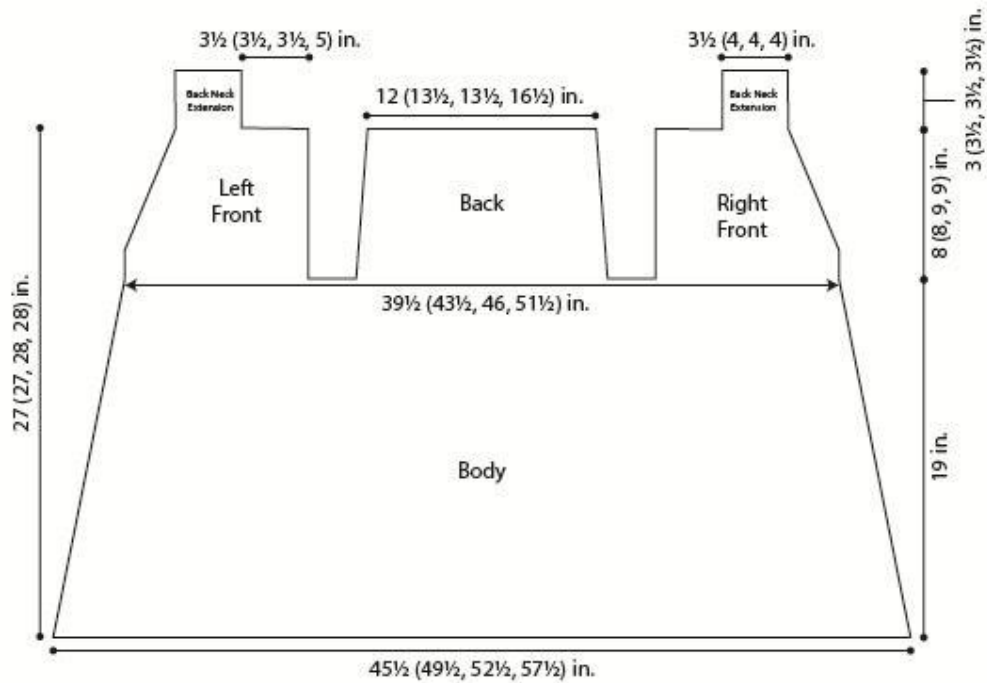
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