



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Touch of Alpaca™
Neighborly Cardigan
Pattern Number: L80085



SKILL LEVEL – Easy+

SIZES

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

Finished Chest About 42 (45, 49, 52, 56) in. (106.5 (114.5, 124.5, 132, 142) cm)

Finished Length About 27 1/2 (28, 28 1/2, 29, 29 1/2) in. (70 (71, 72.5, 73.5, 75) 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® Touch of Alpaca™ (Art. #674)
 - 123 Taupe 6 (7, 8, 8, 9) balls
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 5 (3.75 mm)
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 7 (4.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® cable needle
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Straight pins

24 in. (61 cm) metal separating zipper

Sewing needle and thread

GAUGE

19 sts + 26 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with larger needles.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

3/3 LC (3 over 3 left cross) Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k3, then k3 from cable needle.

3/3 RC (3 over 3 right cross) Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then k3 from cable needle.

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.

ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them together – 1 st decreased.

PATTERN STITCHES

Left Cable (worked over 10 sts)

Row 1 (RS): P2, k6, p2.

Row 2: K2, p6, k2.

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Rows 3 and 4: Rep Rows 1 and 2.
Row 5: P2, 3/3 LC, p2.
Rows 6-8: Rep Rows 2-4.
Rep Rows 1-8 for Left Cable pattern.

Right Cable (worked over 10 sts)

Row 1 (RS): P2, k6, p2.
Row 2: K2, p6, k2.
Rows 3 and 4: Rep Rows 1 and 2.
Row 5: P2, 3/3 RC, p2.
Rows 6-8: Rep Rows 2-4.
Rep Rows 1-8 for Right Cable pattern.

NOTES

1. Cardigan is made from 6 pieces: Back, 2 Fronts, 2 Sleeves and Collar.
2. Back, Front and Sleeves all begin with ribbing, then are worked in St st (k on RS, p on WS).
3. The Fronts are worked with rib and a cable at front opening edges. The Collar is worked in ribbing.
4. The cable patterns can be worked by following our written instructions or the charts. When working from charts, read RS rows of charts from right to left and WS rows from left to right.
5. When you see 'work in pattern as established' in the instructions, this means to work the next row of the pattern sts, lining up the sts as in previous rows.
6. 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.

Note: The following corrections have been incorporated into the pattern below. We are highlighting the corrections separately here so that if you have printed out an earlier version of the pattern you'll know what was changed.

CORRECTIONS (applied July 15th, 2018)

LEFT FRONT

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Shape Neck

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 12 (12, 15, 15, 18) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 33 (36, 36, 39, 39) sts.

Row 2 and all ~~WS~~ RS rows: Work even in patterns as established.

BACK

With smaller needles, cast on 99 (107, 115, 123, 131) sts.

Ribbing

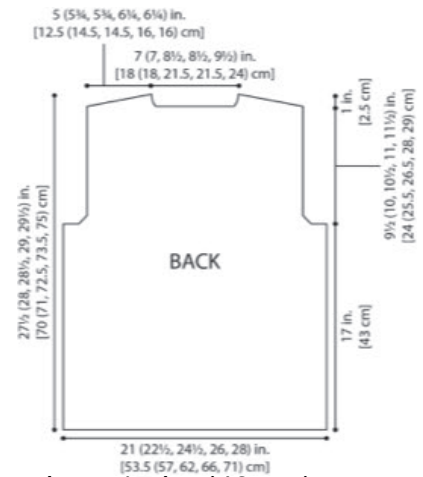
Row 1 (RS): K1, *p1, k1; rep from * across.

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

Rep Row 2 until rib measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Next Row (Increase Row – WS): Kfb of first st, work in rib as established to end of row – you will have 100 (108, 116, 124, 132) sts. Change to larger needles.

Work even in St st (k on RS, p on WS) until piece measures about 17 in. (43 cm) from beg, end with a WS (purl) row as the last row you work.



Shape Armholes

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, k to end of row – 95 (102, 109, 116, 123) sts.

Row 2: Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, p to end of row – 90 (96, 102, 108, 114) sts.

Row 3 (Decrease Row): K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2 – 88 (94, 100, 106, 112) sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Rep Rows 3 and 4 for 3 more times – 82 (88, 94, 100, 106) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in St st until armholes measure about 9 1/2 (10, 10 1/2, 11, 11 1/2) in. (24 (25.5, 26.5, 28, 29) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Divide for Neck and Shape Shoulders

Row 1 (RS): K26 (29, 29, 32, 32) for right shoulder, join a 2nd ball of yarn and bind off center 30 (30, 36, 36, 42) sts, k to end of row – 26 (29, 29, 32, 32) sts for each shoulder.

You will now work both shoulders AT THE SAME TIME with separate balls of yarn.

Row 2: On first shoulder, bind off 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts, p to end of shoulder; on second shoulder, bind off 1 st, p to end – 18 (20, 20, 22, 22) sts for left shoulder and 25 (28, 28, 31, 31) sts for right shoulder.

Row 3: On first shoulder, bind off 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts, k to end of shoulder; on left shoulder, bind off 1 st, p to end – 17 (19, 19, 21, 21) sts for each shoulder.

Rows 4 and 5: Rep Rows 2 and 3 – 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts for each shoulder.

Row 6: On first shoulder, bind off rem 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts; on second shoulder, p to end – 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts rem for right shoulder.

Bind off rem 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts.

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LEFT FRONT

With smaller needles, cast on 54 (58, 62, 66, 70) sts.

Ribbing

Row 1 (RS): *K1, p1; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2: *K1, p1; rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until rib measures about 3 in.

(7.5 cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to larger needles.

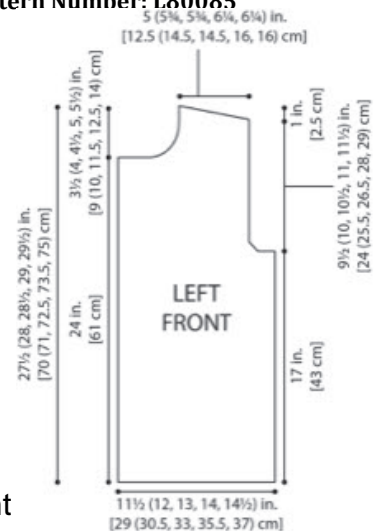
Next Row (RS): K38 (42, 46, 50, 54), place marker (pm), work Row 1 of Right Cable pattern over next 10 sts, pm, (k1, p1) twice, k2.

Next Row: (K1, p1) to marker, slip marker (sm), work Row 2 of Right Cable pattern, sm, p to end of row.

Next Row: K to marker, sm, work next row of Right Cable pattern, sm, (k1, p1) twice, k2.

Next Row: (K1, p1) to marker, sm, work next row of Right Cable pattern, sm, p to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows until piece measures about 17 in. (43 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.



Shape Armholes

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 49 (52, 55, 58, 61) sts.

Row 2: Work even in patterns as established.

Row 3 (Decrease Row): K2, ssk, work in patterns as established to end of row – 48 (51, 54, 57, 60) sts.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 3 more times – 45 (48, 51, 54, 57) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Continue even in patterns as established until piece measures about 24 in. (61 cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

The patterns as established are: the st at the center front edge in Garter st (knit every st on every row), the following front edge sts to marker in rib, the sts between markers in the cable pattern, and the remaining sts in St st.

Shape Neck

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 12 (12, 15, 15, 18) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 33 (36, 36, 39, 39) sts.

Row 2 and all RS rows: Work even in patterns as established.

Row 3: Bind off 4 sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 29 (32, 32, 35, 35) sts.

Row 5: Bind off 2 sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 27 (30, 30, 33, 33) sts.

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Row 7: Bind off 1 st, work in patterns as established to end of row – 26 (29, 29, 32, 32) sts.

Rows 8-11: Rep Rows 6 and 7 for 2 more times – 24 (27, 27, 30, 30) sts remain.

Work even in patterns as established until armhole measures about 9 1/2 (10, 10 1/2, 11, 11 1/2) in. (24 (25.5, 26.5, 28, 29) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Shoulder

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 16 (18, 18, 20, 20) sts.

Row 2: Work even in patterns as established.

Row 3: Rep Row 1 – 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts.

Row 4: Work even in patterns as established.

Bind off rem 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts.

RIGHT FRONT

With smaller needles, cast on 54 (58, 62, 66, 70) sts.

Ribbing

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p1, k1; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2: *P1, k1, rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until rib measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to larger needles.

Next Row (RS): K2, (p1, k1) twice for front edge, pm, work Row 1 of Left Cable pattern over next 10 sts, pm, k to end of row.

Next Row: P to marker, sm, work Row 2 of Left Cable pattern, sm, (p1, k1) 3 times.

Next Row: K2, (p1, k1) twice, sm, work next row of Left Cable pattern, sm, k to end of row.

Next Row: P to marker, sm, work next row of Left Cable pattern, sm, (p1, k1) 3 times.

Rep last 2 rows until piece measures about 17 in. (43 cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Shape Armholes

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 49 (52, 55, 58, 61) sts.

Row 2 (Decrease Row): Work in patterns as established to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2 – 48 (51, 54, 57, 60) sts.

Row 3: Work even in patterns as established.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 3 more times – 45 (48, 51, 54, 57) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Continue even in patterns as established until piece measures about 24 in. (61 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

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Shape Neck

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 12 (12, 15, 15, 18) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 33 (36, 36, 39, 39) sts.

Row 2 and all WS rows: Work even in patterns as established.

Row 3: Bind off 4 sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 29 (32, 32, 35, 35) sts.

Row 5: Bind off 2 sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 27 (30, 30, 33, 33) sts.

Row 7: Bind off 1 st, work in patterns as established to end of row – 26 (29, 29, 32, 32) sts.

Rows 8-11: Rep Rows 6 and 7 for 2 more times – 24 (27, 27, 30, 30) sts in Row 11.

Work even in patterns as established until armhole measures about 9 1/2 (10, 10 1/2, 11, 11 1/2) in. (24 (25.5, 26.5, 28, 29) cm), end with RS row as the last row you work.

Shape Shoulder

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts, work in patterns as established to end of row – 16 (18, 18, 20, 20) sts.

Row 2: Work even in patterns as established.

Row 3: Rep Row 1 – 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts.

Row 4: Work even in patterns as established.
Bind off rem 8 (9, 9, 10, 10) sts.

SLEEVES (make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 47 (49, 51, 53, 55) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, *p1, k1; rep from * across.

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

Rep Row 2 until rib measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

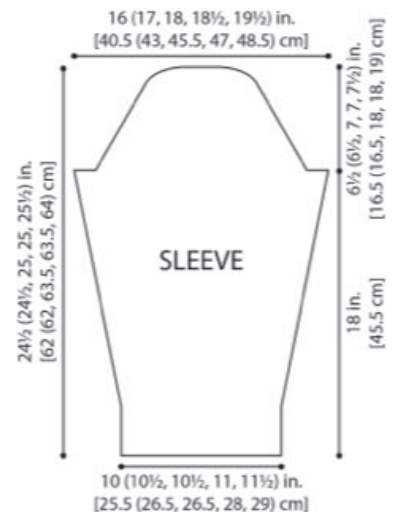
Change to larger needles.

Beginning with a WS (purl) row, work in St st for 3 rows.

Next Row (Increase Row): K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 49 (51, 53, 55, 57) sts.

Rep last 4 rows 2 (4, 7, 10, 13) more times – 53 (59, 67, 75, 83) sts when all increases have been completed.

Work in St st for 5 rows.



Next Row (Increase Row): K1, kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 55 (61, 69, 77, 85) sts.

Rep last 6 rows 11 (10, 8, 6, 4) more times – 77 (81, 85, 89, 93) sts when all increases have been completed.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 18 in. (45.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Sleeve Cap (top of Sleeve)

Next 2 Rows: Continue in St st, and bind off 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) sts at beg of each row – 67 (69, 71, 73, 75) sts.

Row 1 (Decrease Row): K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2 – 65 (67, 69, 71, 73) sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for 16 (17, 18, 19, 20) more times – 33 sts when all decreases have been completed.

Last 4 Rows: Continue in St st and bind off 5 sts at beg of each row. Bind off rem 13 sts.

COLLAR

With smaller needles, cast on 74 (80, 86, 92, 98) sts.

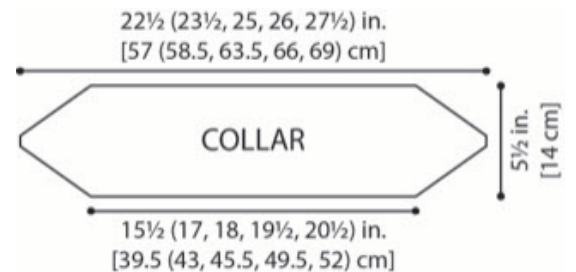
Set Up Row: *K1, p1; rep from * across.

Increase Row: Cast on 2 sts. Beginning over sts just cast on, *k1, p1; rep from * across – 76 (82, 88, 94, 100) sts. Rep the Increase Row until you have 106 (112, 118, 124, 130) sts.

Next 2 Rows: K the knit sts and p the purl sts across.

Decrease Row: Bind off 2 sts, work in ribbing as established to end of row – 104 (110, 116, 122, 128) sts.

Rep the Decrease Row until you have 74 (80, 86, 92, 98) sts. Bind off loosely in rib.



FINISHING

Zipper

Lay Right Front with RS facing onto a flat surface.

Zip the zipper closed.

Beginning at the lower edge, and with lower edge of zipper just a bit above lower edge of Cardigan, pin one edge of the closed zipper to one front edge of the Cardigan. The front edge of the Cardigan should extend to the center of the zipper teeth.

Keep the knitting flat and smooth, don't stretch or allow the knit fabric to ripple. It's okay if the top of the zipper tape extends a bit above the neck, we'll fix that later.

With sewing needle and thread, and working from the RS of Cardigan, neatly back stitch the zipper tape to the WS of the Cardigan,

Sew just inside the 2 sts at the center front of the Cardigan. Take your time and check your sewing to be sure you're allowing sufficient room for the zipper to work.

When you get to the neck edge, knot your sewing thread securely.

Repeat this process to sew the Left Front of the Cardigan to the other side of the zipper.

The front edges of the Left and Right Fronts should meet to cover the zipper. Fold any excess zipper tape to the inside of the neck edge and sew in place.

Sew shoulder seams.

Pin one long edge of Collar to neck edge of Cardigan, easing the Collar to fit.

With yarn threaded into blunt needle, sew long edge of Collar to Cardigan

Fold Collar in half to the inside of the Cardigan and sew remaining long edge of Collar in place.

Sew Sleeves into armholes. Sew side and Sleeve seams.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)(s)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

rem = remain(ing)

rep = repeat

RS = right side

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

WS = wrong side

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