Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® Touch of Merino
Cranford Cardigan
Pattern Number: L80113
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SKILL LEVEL – Easy

SIZES
S (M, L, 1X, 2X)
Finished Chest 36 (42, 45, 50, 53) in. (91.5 (106.5, 114.5, 127, 134.5) cm)
Finished Length 26 (27, 28, 28 1/2, 29) in. (66 (68.5, 71, 72.5, 73.5) 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 Merino (Art. #676)
  - 113 Beet Red 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) balls
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle

GAUGE
11 V-sts + 20 rows = about 8 in. (20.5 cm) in V-st pattern.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATION
V-st (Dc, ch 1, dc) in indicated st or sp.

PATTERN STITCH
V-st Pattern (multiple of 3 sts)
Row 1 (RS): V-st in 6th ch from hook (5 skipped ch count as 2 base ch and first dc), *sk next 2 ch, V-st in next ch; rep from * to last 3 ch, sk next 2 ch, dc in last ch.
Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, dc in top of beg ch.
Rep Row 2 for V-st pattern.

NOTES
1. Cardigan is made in 5 pieces: Back, 2 Fronts, and 2 Sleeves.
2. A collar extension is worked as part of each Front. The ends of the extensions are sewn together to make the collar.
3. For those who find a visual helpful, we've included a stitch diagram.

BACK
Ch 78 (90, 96, 108, 114).
Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 45 (45, 47, 47, 49) rows – you will have 24 (28, 30, 34, 36) V-sts and 1 dc at each end of each row.
Fasten off.

Shape Armholes

Row 1 (WS): From WS, draw up a loop in 2nd dc of 2nd (3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th) V-st, ch 3 (counts as dc), V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st to last 2 (3, 4, 5, 6) V-sts, dc in first dc of next V-st; leave rem sts unworked – 20 (22, 22, 24, 24) V-sts.
Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 20 (22, 22, 24, 24) rows from beg of armhole shaping. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT

Ch 60 (66, 69, 75, 78).
Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 45 (45, 47, 47, 49) rows – 18 (20, 21, 23, 24) V-sts and 1 dc at each end of each row.
Do not fasten off.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (WS): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st to last 2 (3, 4, 5, 6) V-sts, dc in first dc of next V-st; leave rem sts unworked – 16 (17, 17, 18, 18) V-sts.
Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 20 (22, 22, 24, 24) rows from beg of armhole shaping.
Do not fasten off.

Collar Extension

Row 1 (WS): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, V-st in ch-1 sp of next 9 V-sts across, dc in first dc of next V-st; leave rem sts unworked – 9 V-sts.
Rows 2-8: Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for 7 rows.
Fasten off.

RIGHT FRONT

Ch 60 (66, 69, 75, 78).
Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 45 (45, 47, 47, 49) rows – 18 (20, 21, 23, 24) V-sts and 1 dc at each end of each row.
Fasten off.

Shape Armhole

Row 1 (WS): From WS, draw up a loop in 2nd dc of 2nd (3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th) V-st, ch 3 (counts as dc), V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, dc in top of beg ch – 16 (17, 17, 18, 18) V-sts.
Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for a total of 20 (22, 22, 24, 24) rows from beg of armhole shaping.
Fasten off.

Collar Extension

Row 1 (WS): From WS, draw up a loop in 2nd dc of 7th (8th, 8th, 9th, 9th) V-st, ch 3 (counts as dc), V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, dc in top of beg ch – 9 V-sts.
Rows 2-8: Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern for 7 rows.

Fasten off.

SLEEVES (make 2)

Ch 33 (33, 39, 39, 45).

Row 1: Work Row 1 of V-st pattern – 9 (9, 11, 11, 13) V-sts with 1 dc at each end.

Row 2 (Increase Row): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first dc (increase made), V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, 2 dc in top of beg ch (increase made) – 9 (9, 11, 11, 13) V-sts and 2 dc at each end.

Row 3 (Increase Row): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in first dc, dc in next dc, V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, sk 2nd dc of last V-st, dc in next dc, 2 dc in top of beg ch – 9 (9, 11, 11, 13) V-sts and 3 dc at each end.

Row 4 (Increase Row): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, V-st in next dc, V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, sk 2nd dc of last V-st, sk next dc, V-st in next dc, dc in top of beg ch – 11 (11, 13, 13, 15) V-sts with 1 dc at each end.

Rows 5 and 6: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, V-st in ch-1 sp of each V-st across, dc in top of beg ch.

Rows 7-36 (41, 36, 41, 36): Rep Rows 2-6 for 6 (7, 6, 7, 6) times – 23 (25, 25, 27, 27) V-sts with 1 dc at each end.

Beg with Row 2 of pattern, work in V-st pattern until piece measures about 20 (20 1/2, 21, 21 1/2, 22) in. (51 (52, 53.5, 54.5, 56) cm) from beg.

Fasten off.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Sew ends of collar extensions together. Sew edge of seamed collar extensions to back neck edge of Cardigan.

Sew in Sleeves. Sew side and Sleeve seams.

Sleeve Edging

Rnd 1: From RS, join yarn with a sl st in seam at wrist edge of one Sleeve, ch 1, sc evenly spaced around edge; join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with a sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Rep edging around wrist edge of second Sleeve.

Cardigan Edging

Rnd 1: From RS, join yarn with a sl st in lower Right Front corner of Cardigan, work sc evenly spaced all the way around the outside edge of Cardigan, working 2 sc in each corner; join with sl st in first sc.

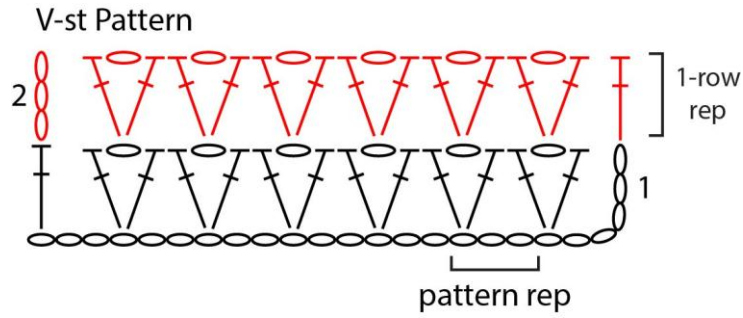**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with a sl st in first sc.
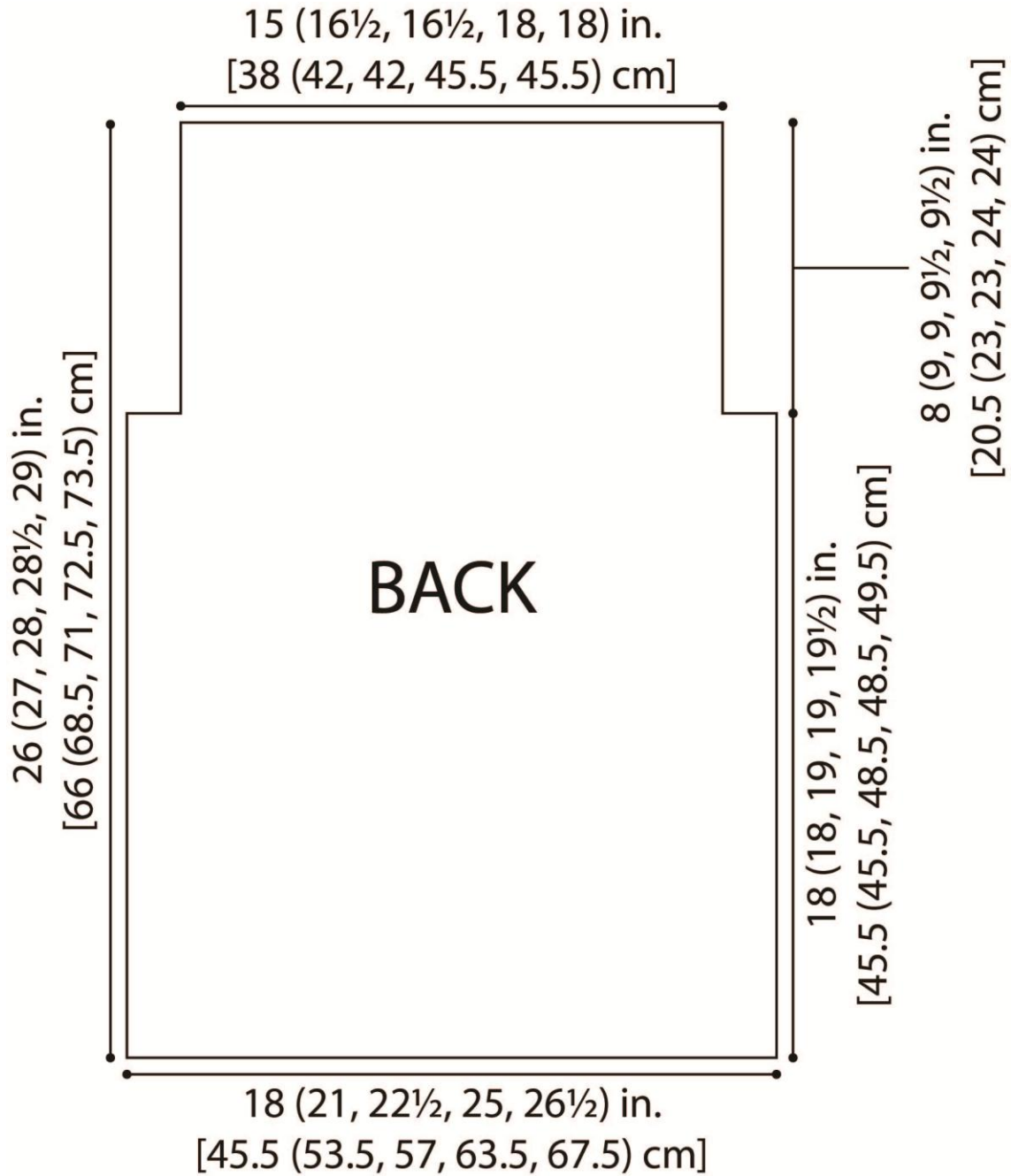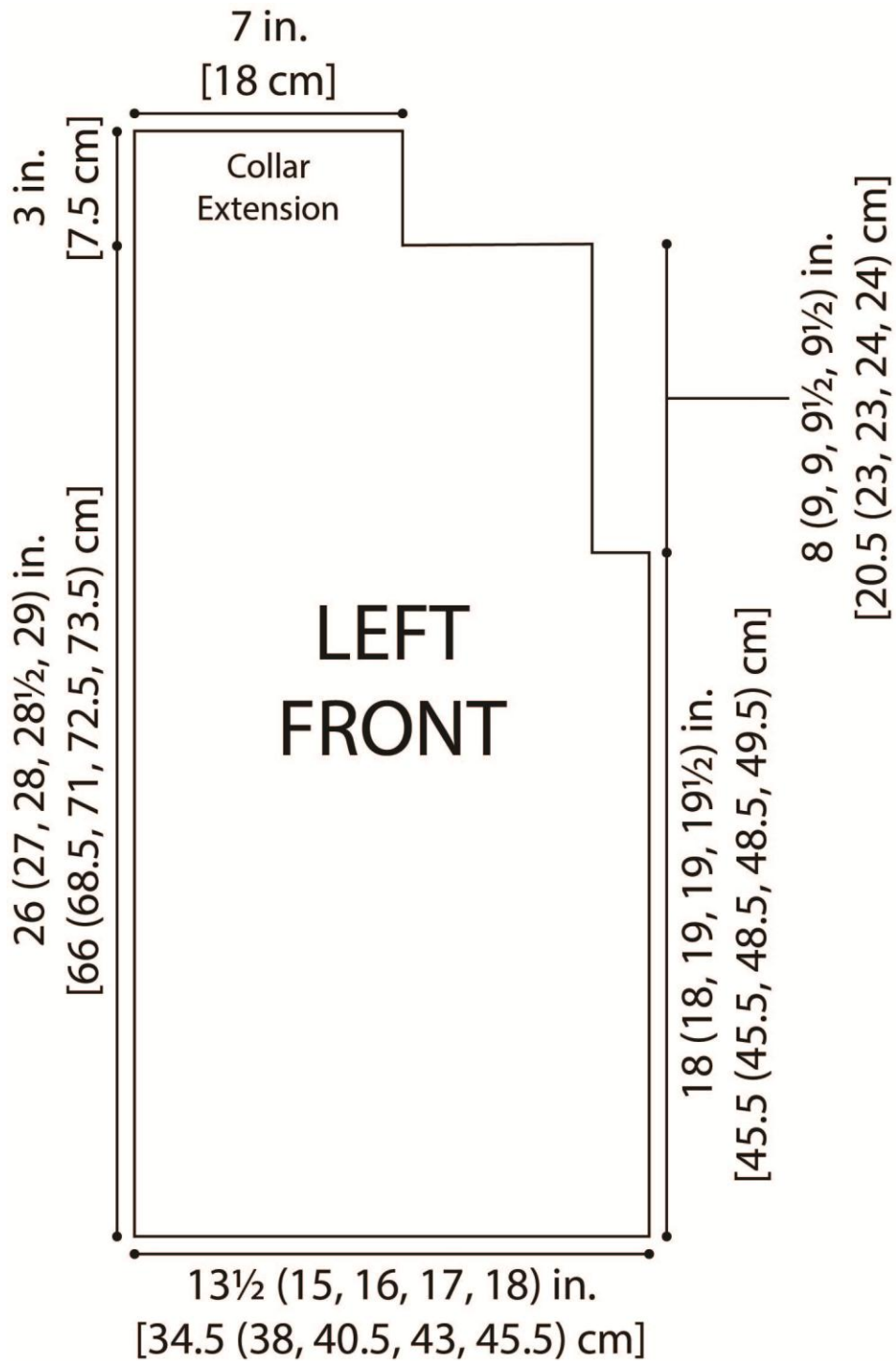
Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)
ch = chain
ch-space = chain space previously made
dc = double crochet
rem = remain(ing)
rep = repeat
rnd = round
RS = right side
sc = single crochet
sk = skip
sl st = slip stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)
WS = wrong side

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V-st Pattern

1-row rep

pattern rep

KEY

⬯ = chain (ch)

┬ = double crochet (dc)

15 (16½, 16½, 18, 18) in.
[38 (42, 42, 45.5, 45.5) cm]

8 (9, 9, 9½, 9½) in.
[20.5 (23, 23, 24, 24) cm]

26 (27, 28, 28½, 29) in.
[66 (68.5, 71, 72.5, 73.5) cm]

18 (18, 19, 19, 19½) in.
[45.5 (45.5, 48.5, 48.5, 49.5) cm]

BACK

18 (21, 22½, 25, 26½) in.
[45.5 (53.5, 57, 63.5, 67.5) cm]

7 in.
[18 cm]

Collar
Extension

3 in.
[7.5 cm]

8 (9, 9, 9½, 9½) in.
[20.5 (23, 23, 24, 24) cm]

26 (27, 28, 28½, 29) in.
[66 (68.5, 71, 72.5, 73.5) cm]

LEFT
FRONT

18 (18, 19, 19, 19½) in.
[45.5 (45.5, 48.5, 48.5, 49.5) cm]

13½ (15, 16, 17, 18) in.
[34.5 (38, 40.5, 43, 45.5) cm]

17 (18½, 18½, 20, 20) in.
[43 (47, 47, 51, 51) cm]

20 (20½, 21, 21½, 22) in.
[51 (52, 53.5, 54.5, 56) cm]

SLEEVE

7 (7, 8½, 8½, 10) in.
[18 (18, 21.5, 21.5, 25.5) cm]