

# Free Knitting Pattern **Lion Brand® Vel-Luxe** Camb Cropped Cardigan Pattern Number: L80330

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## **SKILL LEVEL** – Intermediate

## **SIZES**

S (M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X)

**Finished Bust** About 36 (40, 44, 47, 51, 55) in. (91.5 (101.5, 112, 119.5, 129.5, 139.5) cm)

**Finished Length** About 18 (19, 19 1/2, 20 1/2, 21 1/2, 22 1/2) in. (45.5 (48.5, 49.5, 52, 54.5, 57) cm), not including neck 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® Vel-Luxe (Art. #536)
  - 144 Lilac 2 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4) balls
- Lion Brand® double pointed needles size 6 (4 mm)
- Lion Brand® double pointed needles size 7 (4.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



Circular knitting needle size 6 (4 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long Circular knitting needle size 7 (4.5 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long

## **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR SIZES 1X, 2X, AND 3X ONLY**

Circular knitting needle size 7 (4.5 mm), 16 in. (40.5 cm) long

## **GAUGE**

14 sts + 24 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with larger needle(s).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## STITCH EXPLANATIONS

**M1L** (make 1 – left slanting) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles from front to back and placing it onto the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop -1 st increased.

M1R (make 1 – right slanting) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles from back to front and placing it onto the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the front loop – 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**

K1, p1 Rib worked in rows (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.

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

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

Rep Rnd 1 for K1, p1 Rib.

## **NOTES**

- 1. The Cardigan is worked in one piece from the neck downwards.
- 2. Piece is divided at underarms to work the lower body and sleeves.
- 3. Circular needles are used to accommodate the number of body sts. When working the body, work back and forth in rows on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
- 4. Sleeves are worked in rnds on double pointed needles and/or shortest circular needle.
- 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.

#### **CARDIGAN**

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With larger long circular needle, cast on 63 (65, 69, 71, 73, 75) sts.

**Set-Up Row (WS):** P2 for right front, place marker (pm), p14 for right sleeve, pm, p31 (33, 37, 39, 41, 43) for back, pm, p14 for left sleeve, pm, p2 for left front.

**Row 1 (Raglan Increase – RS):** \*K to 1 st before next marker, M1L, k1, slip marker (sm), k1, M1R for raglan increase; rep from \* 3 more times, k to end of row – you will have 71 (73, 77, 79, 81, 83) sts in this row.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3 (Raglan and Neck Increase – RS): K1, M1R for neck increase, \*k to 1 st before next marker, M1L, k1, sm, k1, M1R for raglan increase; rep from \* 3 more times, k to last st, M1L for neck increase, k1 – 81 (83, 87, 89, 91, 93) sts.

Row 4: Purl.

**Note: Neck** increases and **raglan** increases are worked AT THE SAME TIME. This means that when you reach an indicated **raglan** increase row, work **raglan** increases before and after each marker in that row. When you reach an indicated **neck** increase row, work **neck** increases at beg and end of that row. Be sure to follow the specific increase instructions for the size you are making.

**Note:** When you see '0' repeats in an instruction, this means that you should not perform that particular instruction, just skip to the next part of the instruction.

Continue in St st (k on RS, p on WS) and AT THE SAME TIME work the following raglan and neck increases.

- Work raglan increases:
  - Every other row for 2 (6, 7, 8, 11, 15) more times
  - o Then every 4th row 8 (7, 7, 7, 6, 5) times.
- Work neck increases
  - Every 8th row for 0 (2, 0, 0, 0, 0) times
  - o Then every 6th row for 6 (3, 6, 2, 0, 0) times
  - Then every 4th row for 0 (1, 1, 8, 11, 11) time(s)
  - o Then every other row 0 (0, 1, 0, 1, 3) time(s).

You will have 173 (199, 215, 229, 251, 281) sts when all increases are complete.

## **Divide for Lower Body and Sleeves**

**Note:** All **ragian** increases are now complete.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (M1R) 0 (1, 1, 1, 1, 0) time(s), k to marker for left front, remove marker, cast on 8 (8, 8, 10, 10, 10) sts for underarm, place next 38 (44, 46, 48, 52, 58) sts onto a holder for left sleeve, remove marker, k55 (63, 69, 73, 79, 87) sts of back, remove marker, place next 38 (44, 46, 48, 52, 58) sts onto a holder for right sleeve, remove marker, cast on 8 (8, 8, 10, 10, 10) sts for underarm, k to last st, (M1L) 0 (1, 1, 1, 1, 0) times, k1 for right front – 113 (129, 141, 155, 169, 185) sts rem on needle for lower body.

## Lower Body

Continue in St st and work the following neck increases.

- Continue to work a neck increase at beg of RS rows:
  - Every 4th row 3 (2, 0, 0, 0, 0) more times.
  - Then every other row 0 (0, 3, 2, 1, 0) more time(s).

When all **neck** increases have been completed you will have 119 (133, 147, 159, 171, 185) sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 8 1/2 (9, 9 1/2, 10, 10 1/2, 11) in. (21.5 (23, 24, 25.5, 26.5, 28) cm) from underarm, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to smaller circular needle.

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rows for 1 in. (2.5 cm). Bind off.

#### Left Sleeve

**Note:** For sizes S, M, and L beg with larger double pointed needles. For sizes 1X, 2X, and 3X beg with shortest circular needle, change to larger double pointed needles when sts have been sufficiently decreased.

Return the 38 (44, 46, 48, 52, 58) left sleeve sts to needle(s) so that you are ready to work a RS rnd.

Rnd 1 (RS): Beg at center of underarm sts, pick up and k4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5) sts along cast on sts of underarm, k38 (44, 46, 48, 52, 58) left sleeve sts, pick up and k4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5) sts along rem cast on sts of underarm – 46 (52, 54, 58, 62, 68) sts. 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.

Work even in St st worked in rnds (k every st on every rnd) for about 1 1/2 in. (4 cm).

**Decrease Rnd:** K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 - 44 (50, 52, 56, 60, 66) sts. Work in St st for 8 (8, 9, 9, 10, 10) rnds.

Rep Decrease Rnd – 42 (48, 50, 54, 58, 64) sts.

Rep last 9 (9, 10, 10, 11, 11) rnds 2 more times – 38 (44, 46, 50, 54, 60) sts.

Work even in St st until sleeve measures about 8 (8, 8 1/2, 8 1/2, 9, 9) in. (20.5, 20.5, 21.5, 21.5, 23, 23) cm) from underarm.

Change to smaller double pointed needles.

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds for 1 in. (2.5 cm). Bind off.

## **Right Sleeve**

Work same as left sleeve.

## **FINISHING**

#### Front and Neck Bands

From RS with smaller circular needle, beg at lower right front edge, pick up and k72 (76, 78, 83, 87, 92) sts evenly spaced along right front edge, pick up and k61 (63, 67, 69, 71, 73) sts along tops of sleeves and back neck, pick up and k72 (76, 78, 83, 87, 92) sts along left front edge – 205 (215, 223, 235, 245, 257) sts. Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rows for 3 in. (7.5 cm). Bind off.

Weave in ends.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg = begin(ning)(s)
k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 stitches together
p = purl
rem = remain(ing)(s)
rep = repeat
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch WS = wrong side

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