



***Free Crochet Pattern***  
**Lion Brand® Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick®**  
**Midnight Sun Hooded Vest**  
Pattern Number: L80349



## **SKILL LEVEL – Easy**

### **SIZES**

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

**Finished Bust** About 48 (55, 63) in. (122 (139.5, 160) cm)

**Finished Length** About 26 (28, 30) in. (66 (71, 76) 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® Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick® (Art. #640)
  - 535 River Run 8 (10, 12) balls
- Lion Brand® circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

One large button

### **GAUGE**

8 1/4 sts + 11 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in Seed st.

**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 the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop – 1 st increased.

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

### **PATTERN STITCHES**

**K1, p1 Rib (worked over an odd number of sts)**

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

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

Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib.

**Seed St (worked over an odd number of sts)**

**Row 1 (RS):** \*K1, p1; rep from \* to last st, k1.

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

Rep Row 2 for Seed st.

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## **NOTES**

1. Vest is worked in 3 pieces: Back and 2 Fronts.
2. The hood is worked directly onto the neck edge of the Vest.
3. The edgings on fronts and armholes are worked in one with the Back and Fronts. Armhole edgings of the Back and Fronts use different stitches.
4. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.

## **BACK**

Cast on 49 (57, 65) sts.

Working back and forth on the circular needle as if working on straight needles, and beg with Row 1, work in K1, p1 Rib for 2 rows.

**Next Row (WS):** Purl.

Beg with Row 1, work in Seed st until piece measures about 16 (17, 18) in. (40.5 (43, 45.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

## **Shape Armholes**

**Row 1 (RS):** Cast on 3 sts for armhole edging, k these 3 sts, then work in Seed st to end of row – you will have 52 (60, 68) sts in this row.

**Row 2:** Cast on 3 sts for armhole edging, p these 3 sts, then work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3 – 55 (63, 71) sts.

**Row 3:** K3, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3.

**Row 4:** P3, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3.

Rep Rows 3 and 4 until armholes measure about 9 (10, 11) in. (23 (25.5, 28) cm) from cast-on sts, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

## **Shape Shoulders and Neck**

**Note:** Shoulders and neck are worked in Garter st (k every st on every row).

**Rows 1 and 2:** Bind off 10 (12, 14) sts, k to end of row – 35 (39, 43) sts at the end of Row 2.

**Rows 3-6:** Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, k to end of row – 15 sts.

Bind off.

## **LEFT FRONT**

Cast on 29 (33, 37) sts.

### **Note**

The center front edging of the Vest is worked in one with each of the Fronts. The edging is the 4 sts that are outside the marker.

**Row 1 (WS):** Knit 4, place marker (pm), work in K1, p1 Rib to end of row.

**Row 2:** Work in K1, p1 Rib to marker, slip marker (sm), p1, k3.

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**Row 3:** Knit to marker, sm, purl to end of row.

**Row 4 (RS):** Work Row 1 of Seed st to marker, sm, p1 (for reverse Stockinette st), k3 (for Garter st).

Continue as established, working 4 sts outside the marker as established for front edge and remaining sts in Seed st until piece measures same as Back to armholes, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Armhole

**Row 1 (RS):** Cast on 3 sts for armhole edging, k these 3 sts, then work in Seed st to marker, sm, work as established over 4 front edge sts – 32 (36, 40) sts.

**Row 2:** Work as established over first 4 sts, sm, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3.

**Row 3:** K3, work in Seed st to marker, sm, work as established over last 4 sts.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 until armhole measures about 6 (7, 8) in. (15 (18, 20.5) cm) from cast-on sts, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Neck

**Row 1 (WS):** Work as established to marker, remove marker, slip these last 4 sts to a holder for hood, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3 – 28 (32, 36) sts.

**Row 2:** K3, work in Seed st to end of row.

**Row 3:** Bind off 4 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3 – 24 (28, 32) sts.

**Row 4:** Rep Row 2.

**Row 5:** Bind off 3 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3 – 21 (25, 29) sts.

**Row 6:** K3, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 20 (24, 28) sts.

**Row 7:** Work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p3.

**Row 8:** K3, work in Seed st to end of row.

Rep Rows 7 and 8 until armhole measures same as Back to 'Shape Shoulders', end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Note:** Shoulder is worked in Garter st.

### Shape Shoulder

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 10 (12, 14) sts, k to end of row – 10 (12, 14) sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

**Row 3:** Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, k to end of row – 5 (6, 7) sts.

**Row 4:** Knit.

Bind off rem sts.

### RIGHT FRONT

Cast on 29 (33, 37) sts.

**Row 1 (WS):** Work in K1, p1 Rib to last 4 sts, pm, k4.

**Row 2:** K3, p1, sm, work in K1, p1 Rib to end of row.

**Row 3:** Purl to marker, sm, knit to end of row.

**Row 4 (RS):** K3, p1, sm, work Row 1 of Seed st to end of row.

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Continue as established, working 4 sts outside the marker as established for front edge and remaining sts in Seed st until piece measures same as Back to armholes, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Armhole

**Row 1 (WS):** Cast on 3 sts for armhole edging, p these 3 sts, then work in Seed st to marker, sm, work as established to end of row – 32 (36, 40) sts.

**Row 2:** Work as established over first 4 sts, sm, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3.

**Row 3:** P3, work in Seed st to marker, sm, work as established over last 4 sts.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 until armhole measures about 6 (7, 8) in. (15 (18, 20.5) cm) from cast-on sts, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Neck

**Row 1 (RS):** Work as established to marker, remove marker, slip these last 4 sts onto a holder for hood, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3 – 28 (32, 36) sts.

**Row 2:** P3, work in Seed st to end of row.

**Row 3:** Bind off 4 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3 – 24 (28, 32) sts.

**Row 4:** Rep Row 2.

**Row 5:** Bind off 3 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3 – 21 (25, 29) sts.

**Row 6:** P3, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 20 (24, 28) sts.

**Row 7:** Work in Seed st to last 3 sts, k3.

**Row 8:** P3, work in Seed st to end of row.

Rep Rows 7 and 8 until armhole measures same as Back to 'Shape Shoulder', end with a RS row as the last row you work.

### Shape Shoulder

**Note:** Shoulder is worked in Garter st.

**Row 1 (WS):** Bind off 10 (12, 14) sts, k to end of row – 10 (12, 14) sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

**Row 3:** Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, k to end of row – 5 (6, 7) sts.

**Row 4:** Knit.

Bind off rem sts.

### FINISHING

Sew Fronts to Back at shoulders. Leaving 10 in. (25.5 cm) open at lower edge for side slits, sew Fronts to Back at sides, including armhole edging.

### Hood

From RS, join yarn at right front neck edge.

**Row 1 (RS):** K3, p1, across sts from holder, pm, pick up and k32 sts evenly spaced around neck to left front, pm, working across 4 hood sts from holder, p1, k3 – 40 sts.

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**Row 2:** Work to first marker as established (keeping first 3 sts in Garter st, next st in reverse Stockinette st), sm, p15, pm, p2, pm, p15, sm, work last 4 sts as established.

**Rows 3-6:** Keeping first and last 4 sts as established, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 4 rows.

**Row 7 (Increase Row – RS):** Work as established over first 4 sts, sm, k to next marker, M1, sm, k2, sm, M1, k to next marker, sm, work as established to end of row – 42 sts.

**Rows 8-10:** Keeping first and last 4 sts as established, work in St st for 3 rows.

**Rows 11-18:** Rep Rows 7-10 for 2 more times – 46 sts.

Place a marker on last Row 7 (Increase Row).

Keeping first and last 4 sts as established, work even in St st until hood measures about 6 in. (15 cm) from marked last Increase Row, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Decrease Row (RS):** Work as established over first 4 sts, k to 2 sts before marker, skp, sm, k2, sm, k2tog, k to last marker, work as established to end of row – 44 sts.

**Next Row:** Work as established over first 4 sts, p to last marker, slipping markers as you come to them, work as established to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows 4 more times – 36 sts when all decreases have been completed.

### Shape Top of Hood

**Note:** Top of hood is shaped by working short rows. Short rows are rows that are worked over a portion of the sts in a row, leaving the remaining sts unworked. To work short rows, the pattern instructions will tell you to 'turn' before you reach the end of the row.

**Row 1 (RS):** Work as established over first 4 sts, k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, remove marker, k2, remove marker, skp, leave rem sts unworked.

**Row 2:** Turn work, sl first unworked st on right needle back to left needle, p2tog tbl, p2, p2tog, TURN, leave rem sts unworked.

**Row 3:** Sl first unworked st on right needle back to left needle, k2tog, k2, skp, TURN, leave rem sts unworked.

Rep Rows 2 and 3 for 4 more times – 14 sts when all decreases have been completed.

**Next Row (WS):** Sl first unworked st on right needle back to left needle, p2tog tbl, p2, p2tog, work as established to end of row – 12 sts.

**Next Row (RS):** Work as established over first 4 sts, place rem 8 sts on a holder.

**Next Row:** Work as established over 4 sts rem on needle.

Bind off.

Sl the 8 sts from holder back onto needle so that you are ready to work a RS row.

**Next Row (RS):** Join yarn and bind off 4 sts, work as established to end of row – 4 sts rem on needle.

**Next Row:** Work as established over 4 sts rem on needle.  
Bind off.

Sew bound-off ends of 4-st bands together.  
Sew bound off hood sts to edge of band.

### **Button**

Try on the Vest to determine the best placement of the button, then sew button to left front.

Use the spaces between sts for the buttonhole.

Weave in ends.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg = begin(ning)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

rem = remain(ing)

rep = repeat

RS = right side

sl = slip

St st = Stockinette stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

tbl = through back loop

WS = wrong side

*Every effort has been made to produce accurate and complete instructions. We cannot be responsible for variance of individual crafters, human error, or typographical mistakes.*

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