Free Knitting Pattern

LION BRAND® FISHERMEN'S WOOL®

TREE OF LIFE JACKET

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SKILL LEVEL – EXPERIENCED

SIZE

ONE SIZE

Finished Bust 62 in. (157.5 cm)

Finished Length 35 in. (89 cm)

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand® Fishermen's Wool® (Art. #150)
  123 Oatmeal 9 skeins
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 7 (4.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® double-pointed knitting needles size 6 (4 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® cable needle
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 10.5 (6.5 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long 2 large snaps

Sewing needle and thread

GAUGE

16 sts = about 4 in. (10 cm) over Twin Trees chart with larger needle and 2 strands of yarn held together. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

1/1 PLC (1 over 1 purl left cross) Slip 1 st to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k1 from cable needle.

1/1 PRC (1 over 1 purl right cross) Slip 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k1, then p1 from cable needle.

2/1 PLC (2 over 1 purl left cross) Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle.

2/1 PRC (2 over 1 purl 1 cross) Slip 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle.

2/2 LC (2 over 2 left cross) Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

2/2 RC (2 over 2 right cross) Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

2/2 PLC (2 over 2 purl left cross) Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p2, then k2 from cable needle.

2/2 PRC (2 over 2 purl right cross) Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p2 from cable needle.

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M1 (make 1) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto the left hand needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop – 1 st increased.

sk2p Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over – 2 sts decreased.

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

Yo (yarn over)

An increase that also creates a small decorative hole (eyelet) in the fabric, worked as follows:

1. Bring yarn to front, between the needles.
2. Take yarn to back, over the right hand needle. This creates the new st. You are now ready to proceed with the next st as instructed.

PATTERN STITCHES

Dividing Pattern

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: Purl.

Rows 5–10: Purl.

Rows 11–14: Rep Rows 1-4.

NOTES

1. Jacket is worked in 6 pieces: Back, Left Front, Right Front, Collar, and 2 Pocket Linings.
2. All pieces except the Pocket Linings are worked with 2 strands of yarn held together.
3. The sleeves and front bands are worked from sts picked up on Jacket.
4. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle, just as if working on straight needles.
5. The stitch patterns are worked from charts. When working from charts, read RS rows from right to left and WS rows from left to right.
6. Decorative frog and button are made with knitted cord.

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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 May 25th, 2023)

Begin Twin Trees chart
Row 1 (~~RS~~WS): ~~P~~K12, place marker (pm), work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, ~~p~~k20, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, ~~p~~k12.
...
Remove markers.
Knit 1 row.

Work Rows 1-14 of Dividing Pattern.
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Finishing
...
Sleeves
...
Bind off in rib.

Sew Sleeve seams.

COLLAR

BACK

With circular needle and 2 strands of yarn held together, cast on 124 sts. Work in Garter st (knit every st on every row) for 2 in. (5 cm).

Begin Twin Trees chart

Row 1 (WS): K12, place marker (pm), work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, k20, pm, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, k12.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of charts in rev St st (p on RS, k on WS), and slipping markers as you come to them until chart Row 50 is complete.

Remove markers.

Knit 1 row.

Work Rows 1-14 of Dividing Pattern.

Begin Flower Garden chart

Row 1 (RS): P4, pm, work Row 1 of Flower Garden chart to last 3 sts, pm, p3.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of markers in rev St st, and slipping markers as you come to them until chart Row 36 is complete.

Remove markers.

Work Rows 1-14 of Dividing Pattern.

Place markers on each end of Row 14 of Dividing Pattern for sleeve placement.

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Begin Twin Trees chart

Row 1 (RS): P17, pm, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, p10, pm, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, p to end of row.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of charts in rev St st (p on RS, k on WS), and slipping markers as you come to them until chart Row 50 is complete.

Remove markers.
Purl one row.
Knit one row.
Bind off.

LEFT FRONT

With circular needle and 2 strands of yarn held together, cast on 62 sts. Work in Garter st for 2 in. (5 cm).

Begin Twin Trees chart

Row 1 (RS): P11, pm, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, p to end of row.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of charts in rev St st (p on RS, k on WS), and slipping markers as you come to them until chart Row 50 is complete.

Remove markers.

Work Rows 1-14 of Dividing Pattern

Begin Garden Flower chart

Row 1 (RS): P8, pm, work Row 1 of Flower Garden chart to last 9 sts, pm, p9.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of markers in rev St st, and slipping markers as you come to them until chart row 36 is complete.

Remove markers.

Work Rows 1–14 of Dividing Pattern.

Place marker at end of Row 14 for sleeve placement.

Begin Twin Trees chart

Row 1 (RS): P11, pm, work Row 1 of Twin Trees chart across next 40 sts, pm, p to end.

Continue as established, working chart pattern as set, sts outside of charts in rev St st, and slipping markers as you come to them until chart Row 50 is complete.

Remove markers.

Purl one row.

Knit one row.

Bind off.

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RIGHT FRONT

Cast on and work same as Left Front, but place sleeve placement marker at beginning of Row 14 of Dividing Pattern.

FINISHING

Front bands

Note The center front of the Left and Right Fronts is the side opposite the sleeve placement markers.

From RS, with circular needle and 2 strands of yarn held together, pick up and k 140 sts evenly spaced along center front edge of Left Front.

Knit 6 rows.

Bind off.

Rep on Right Front.

Place markers to mark center 6 in. (15 cm) on top edge of Back for Back neck. Sew shoulder seams, leaving back neck open.

Sleeves

From RS with circular needle and 2 strands of yarn held together, pick up and knit 84 sts evenly spaced between sleeve placement markers.

Knit 5 rows.

Row 1 (RS): *K2, p2; rep from * to end of row.

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

Rep Row 2 for 3 in. (7.5 cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Next Row (Decrease) (RS): *K2tog, p2tog; rep from * to end of row – you'll have 42 sts.

Next row: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep last row until sleeve measures about 9 3/4 in. (25 cm) or desired length.

Bind off in rib.

Sew Sleeve seams.

COLLAR

With circular needle and 2 strands of yarn held together, cast on 92 sts.

Work in Garter st for 2 in. (5 cm).

Row 1 (WS): K16, p4, k8, p4, k28, p4, k8, p4, k16.

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

Rep Row 2 until piece measures about 4 in. (10 cm) cm from beg.

Bind off.

Match center of collar to center of back neck.

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Sew bound-off edge of Collar to back neck and along center edges of fronts, ending at the top of Dividing Pattern.

Pocket Linings (make 2)

With straight needles and 1 strand of yarn, cast on 35 sts.

Work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for about 13 in. (33 cm).

Bind off.

Fold in half (bringing cast on edge to meet bound off edge) with RS together. Sew sides.

Place markers on side edges of Back and Fronts, about 10 and 16 in. (25.5 and 40.5 cm) above lower edge.

Sew side seams, leaving sides between the markers open.

On each side, sew the open top edge of the pocket lining to Front and to Back between markers.

FROGS (make 2)

With 2 double-pointed needles and 1 strand of yarn, cast on 4 sts.

Make cord as follows:

Knit the 4 sts. Do not turn work. *Slide sts to other end of needle and knit them, pulling yarn tightly across the back of the work, (do not turn work); rep from * until cord measures about 28 in. (71 cm) long.

Bind off.

Rep to make a second cord.

Following diagram, shape each cord into a frog, then sew together with sewing needle and thread.

BUTTONS (make 2)

Make 2 cords as for Frogs, but 7 in. (18 cm) long.

Knot cord to make a button.

With sewing needle and thread, sew frogs and buttons to RS of center Fronts at Dividing Patterns.

With sewing needle and thread, sew snaps beneath frogs and buttons.

Weave in ends.

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ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)

inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

k2togb = knit 2 stitches together through the back loop

k3togb = knit 3 stitches together through the back loop

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

p3tog = purl 3 stitches together

rem = remain(ing)

rep = repeat

rev St st = reverse Stockinette stitch

RS = right side

sl = slip

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

tog = together

WS = wrong side

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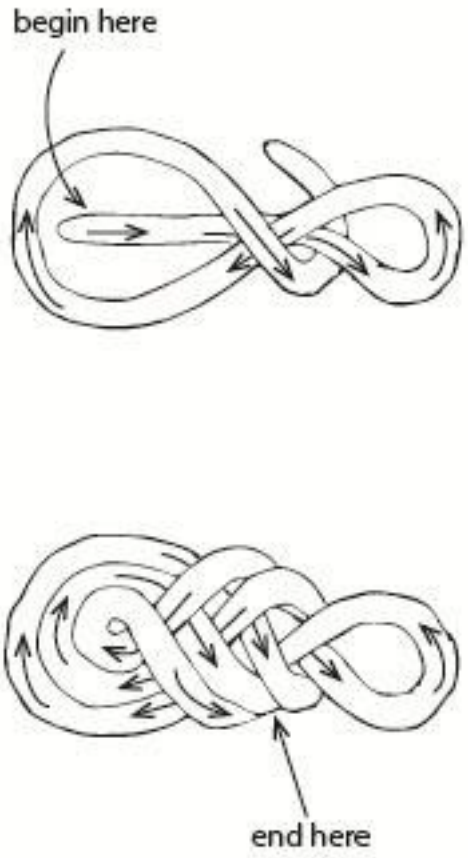

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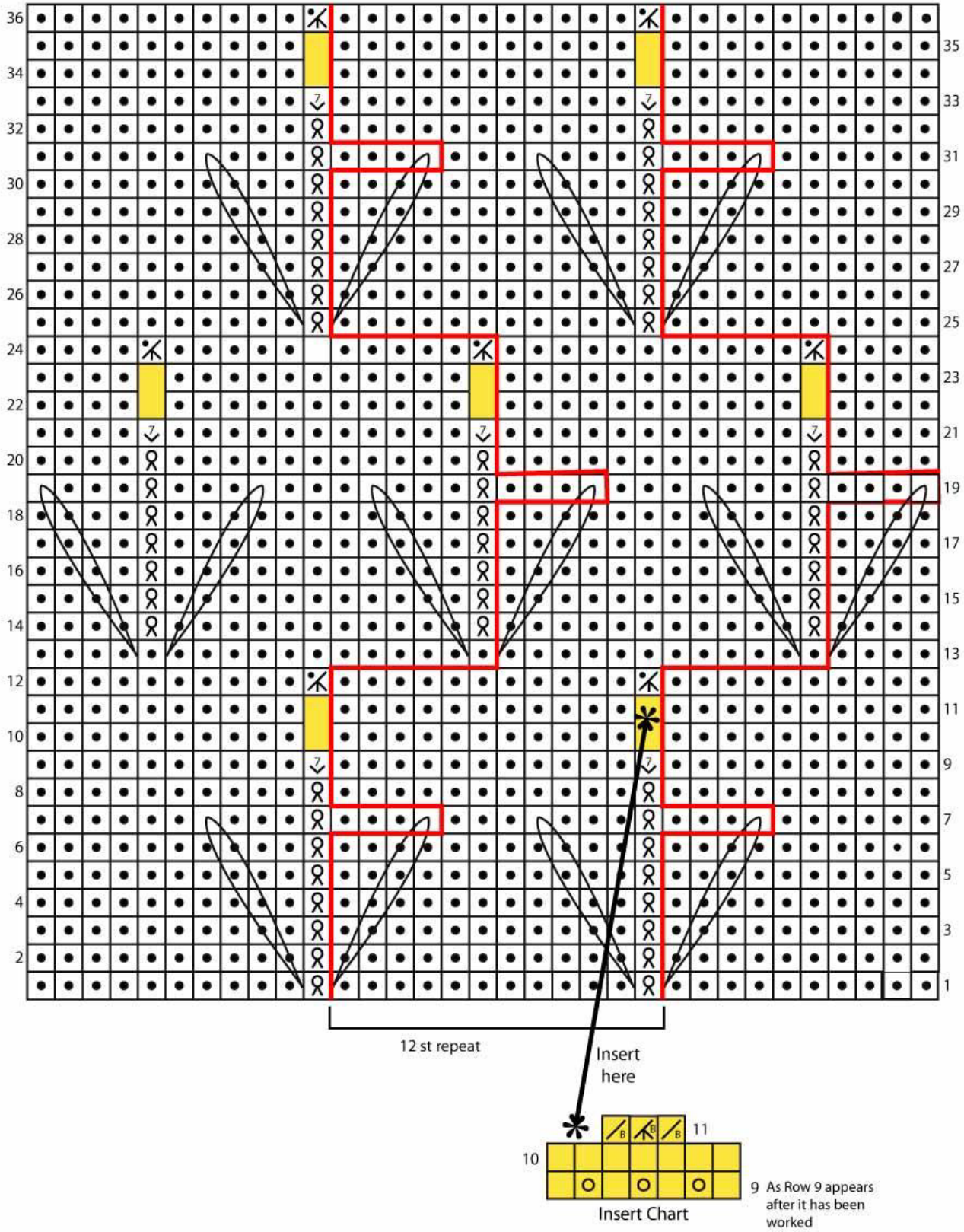

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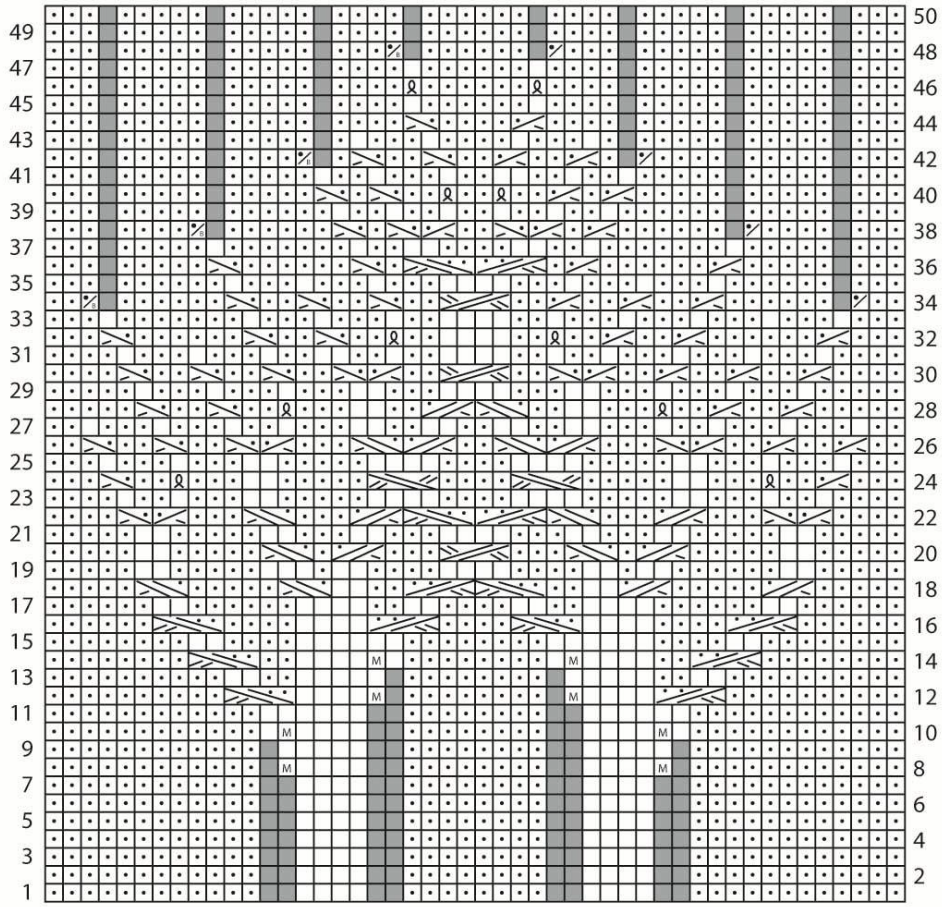
Twin Trees Chart



k on RS, p on WS
p on RS, k on WS
p2tog
p2togb
make 1 stitch
k through the back loop
no stitch

1/1 PRC: Slip next st onto cable needle and hold in back, k1, p1 from cable needle
1/1 PLC: Slip next st onto cable needle and hold in front, p1, k1 from cable needle
2/1 PRC: Slip next st onto cable needle and hold in back, k2, p1 from cable needle
2/1 PLC: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in front, p1, k2 from cable needle
2/2 RC: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in back, k2, k2 from cable needle
2/2 LC: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in front, k2, k2 from cable needle
2/2 PRC: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in back, k2, p2 from cable needle
2/2 PLC: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in front, p2, k2 from cable needle

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k on RS, p on WS

p on RS, k on WS

yarn over

k tbl on RS, p tbl on WS

inc 1 in st

make 7 sts from one by working
((k1, yo) 3 times, k1) all in same st
(see Insert Chart for detail)

insert a crochet hook (or point of right needle)
from front through the fabric at indicated side
of the twisted knit st in indicated row, catch yarn
and draw up a long, loose loop; sl this loop onto
right needle, knit next st and pass the loop over st

k2togb

k3togb

p3tog

dec 1 st

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