



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Beautiful You
My Favorite Cardigan
Pattern Number: L80408
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SKILL LEVEL – Easy+

SIZES

S-L (1X/2X)

Finished Bust About 48 (60) in. (122 (152.5) cm), buttoned

Finished Length About 24 (25) in. (61 (63.5) cm)

Note: Pattern is written for smaller size with changes for larger size in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to both sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand® Beautiful You (Art. #165)
 - 100 Sugar Swizzle 4 (6) balls (A)
 - 124 Porcini 4 (6) balls (B)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long

Circular knitting needle size 9 (5.5 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long

4 buttons, about 1 in. (25.5 mm) diameter

GAUGE

16 sts + 23 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS) with larger needle and 2 strands of yarn held tog.

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.

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

yo (yarn over)

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

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

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PATTERN STITCHES

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

Row 1 (RS): *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.

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

Row 1 (RS): 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.

TECHNIQUE EXPLANATION

w&t (wrap and turn):

W&t is a technique used to ensure that a small hole doesn't form at the end of a short row. How you work a w&t depends on whether you are working a knit (RS) row or a purl (WS) row. Follow the specific instructions below to work a w&tK (wrap and turn for knit row) or a w&tP (wrap and turn for purl row).

w&tK (for knit row)

1. Bring the yarn between the needles to the front of the work (the front is the side that is facing you). Take care not to wrap the yarn over a needle, this would create a new st.
2. Slip the next st from the left hand needle to the right hand needle as if to purl.
3. Bring the yarn between the needles to the back of the work.
4. Slip the first st on right needle, as if to purl, back onto left needle.
5. Turn the work. You will now have one stitch on the right needle with a wrap of yarn around the base of the st. The yarn will be at the front of the work ready to work the next (purl) row.

w&tP (for purl row)

1. Bring the yarn between the needles to the back of the work (the back is the side that is facing away from you). Take care not to wrap the yarn over a needle, this would create a new st.
2. Slip the next st from the left hand needle to the right hand needle as if to purl.
3. Bring the yarn between the needles to the front of the work.
4. Slip the first st on right needle, as if to purl, back onto left needle.
5. Turn the work. You will now have one stitch on the right needle with a wrap of yarn around the base of the st. The yarn will be at the back of the work ready to work the next (knit) row.

NOTES

1. Cardigan is worked in 3 pieces: Back and 2 Fronts.
2. Each piece is worked with 1 strand each of A and B held together, back and forth in rows of St st (k on RS, p on WS) and with K1, p1 ribbing along lower edges.
3. Shoulders are shaped with short rows. Short rows are a way to add shaping to a knit piece without changing the st count. When working short rows, only

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part of a row is worked before you turn. This gradually adds height to one section of the knitting.

4. The shoulders are seamed, then stitches are picked up along the armhole edges for Sleeves. Sleeves are worked from shoulders downwards.
5. Front and back neck bands are worked directly onto the Cardigan.
6. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
7. 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.

BACK

With smaller needle and 1 strand each of A and B held tog, cast on 94 (118) sts. Work in K1, p1 Rib until piece measures about 1 1/2 in. (4 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to larger needle.

Work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) until piece measures about 14 1/2 in. (37 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Place a marker on each end of last row worked for beg of armholes.

Shape Armholes

Row 1 (Increase Row – RS): K2, M1, k to last 2 sts, M1, k2 – you will have 96 (120) sts in this row.

Rows 2-12: Work even in St st.

Row 13: Rep Row 1 – 98 (122) sts.

Rep last 12 rows for 2 more times – 102 (126) sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 8 (9) in. (20.5 (23) cm) from armhole markers, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Shoulders

Row 1 (RS): K to last 11 (14) sts, place marker (pm), w&tK.

Row 2: P to last 11 (14) sts, pm, w&tP.

Row 3: K to 11 (14) sts before next marker, pm, w&tK.

Row 4: P to 11 (14) sts before next marker, pm, w&tP.

Rows 5 and 6: Rep Rows 3 and 4.

Row 7: K across, removing markers and lifting each wrap with tip of your right hand needle and knitting it tog with the wrapped st.

Row 8: Bind off 33 (42) sts, p across, removing markers and lifting each wrap with tip of your right hand needle and purling it tog with the wrapped st.

Row 9: Bind off 33 (42) sts, k to end of row.

Place rem 36 (42) sts onto a holder for back neck.

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LEFT FRONT

With smaller needle and 1 strand each of A and B held tog, cast on 51 (65) sts.
Work in K1, p1 Rib until piece measures about 1 1/2 in. (4 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Change to larger needle.

Work in St st until piece measures about 13 in. (33 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Neck

Row 1 (RS): K to last 4 sts, ssk, k2 – 50 (64) sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Rows 3-8: Rep Rows 1 and 2 – 47 (61) sts in Row 7.

Place a marker at end of Row 8 for beg of armhole.

Shape Armhole and Continue Shaping Neck

Row 9: K2, M1, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2.

Row 10: Purl.

Row 11: K to last 4 sts, ssk, k2 – 46 (60) sts.

Row 12: Purl.

Rows 13-20: Rep Rows 11 and 12 – 42 (56) sts in Row 19.

Row 21: Rep Row 9.

Row 22: Purl.

Rows 23-32: Rep Rows 11 and 12 – 37 (51) sts in Row 31.

Row 33: Rep Row 9.

Size S-L ONLY

Rows 34-37: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 35 sts in Row 37.

Rows 38-40: Work even in St st.

Row 41: Rep Row 11 – 34 sts.

Rows 42-45: Rep Rows 38-41 – 33 sts in Row 45.

Row 46: Purl.

Row 47: K2, M1, k to end of row – 34 sts.

Row 48: Purl.

Row 49: Rep Row 11 – 33 sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 8 in. (20.5 cm) from armhole marker, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Proceed to *Shape Shoulder*.

Size 1X/2X ONLY

Rows 34-45: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 45 sts in Row 45.

Row 46: Purl.

Row 47: Rep Row 9.

Rows 48-53: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 42 sts in Row 53.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 9 in. (23 cm) from armhole marker, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

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Proceed to *Shape Shoulder*.

Shape Shoulder

Rows 1-3: Work even in St st.

Row 4: P to last 11 (14) sts, pm, w&tP.

Row 5: Knit.

Row 6: P to 11 (14) sts before marker, pm, w&tP.

Row 7: Knit.

Row 8: P across, removing markers and lifting each wrap with tip of your right hand needle and purling it tog with the wrapped st.

Bind off as if to knit.

RIGHT FRONT

Make same as Left Front to Shape Neck.

Shape Neck

Row 1 (RS): K2, k2tog, k to end of row – 50 (64) sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Rows 3-8: Rep Rows 1 and 2 – 47 (61) sts in Row 7.

Place a marker at beg of Row 8 for beg of armhole.

Shape Armhole and Continue Shaping Neck

Row 9: K2, k2tog, k to last 2 sts, M1, k2.

Row 10: Purl.

Row 11: K2, k2tog, k to end of row – 46 (60) sts.

Row 12: Purl.

Rows 13-20: Rep Rows 11 and 12 – 42 (56) sts in Row 19.

Row 21: Rep Row 9.

Row 22: Purl.

Rows 23-32: Rep Rows 11 and 12 – 37 (51) sts in Row 31.

Row 33: Rep Row 9.

Size S-L ONLY

Rows 34-37: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 35 sts in Row 37.

Rows 38-40: Work even in St st.

Row 41: Rep Row 11 – 34 sts.

Rows 42-45: Rep Rows 38-41 – 33 sts in Row 45.

Row 46: Purl.

Row 47: K to last 2 sts, M1, k2 – 34 sts.

Row 48: Purl.

Row 49: Rep Row 11 – 33 sts.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 8 in. (20.5 cm) from armhole marker, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Proceed to *Shape Shoulder*.

Size 1X/2X ONLY

Rows 34-45: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 45 sts in Row 45.

Row 46: Purl.

Row 47: Rep Row 9.

Rows 48-53: Rep Rows 10 and 11 – 42 sts in Row 53.

Work even in St st until piece measures about 9 in. (23 cm) from armhole marker, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Proceed to *Shape Shoulder*.

Shape Shoulder

Rows 1 and 2: Work even in St st.

Row 3: K to last 11 (14) sts, pm, w&tK.

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: K to 11 (14) sts before marker, pm, w&tK.

Row 6: Purl.

Row 7: K across, removing markers and lifting each wrap with tip of your right hand needle and knitting it tog with the wrapped st.

Bind off as if to purl.

Sew shoulder seams.

SLEEVES

From RS with larger needle and 1 strand each of A and B held tog, working along one side edge of Front/Back, pick up and k67 (75) sts evenly spaced between armhole markers.

Work even in St st for about 15 (13) in. (38 (33) cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Decrease Row (RS): *K1, (k2tog) 16 (18) times; rep from * once more, k1 – 35 (39) sts.

Change to smaller needle.

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

Continue in K1, p1 Rib for about 2 in. (5 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Next Row (WS): Knit.

Bind off as if to knit.

Rep on opposite side for 2nd Sleeve.

FINISHING

Front and Back Neck Bands

From RS with smaller needle and 1 strand each of A and B held tog, beg at lower right front corner, pick up and k61 sts evenly spaced along right front edge to beg of neck shaping, pm, pick up and k45 (49) sts evenly spaced along edge to shoulder seam; working back neck sts from holder, k17 (20), k2tog, k17 (20); pick up and k45 (49) evenly spaced along left front edge to beg of neck shaping, pick up and k61 sts evenly spaced along edge to lower left front corner – 247 (261) sts.

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

Row 2: Work Row 2 of K1, p1 Rib.

Row 3 (Buttonhole Row): Work in K1, p1 Rib to 3 sts after marker on right front, yo, p2tog, **work in K1, p1 Rib over next 16 sts, yo, p2tog; rep from * 2 more times, work last 2 sts in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 4: K the knits and p the purls and yarn overs.

Rows 5 and 6: Work in K1, p1 Rib.

Row 7: Purl.

Bind off loosely, as if to purl.

Sew side and Sleeve seams.

Sew buttons along left front band, opposite buttonholes.

Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)(s)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 sts together

rem = remain(ing)(s)

rep = repeat

RS = right side

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

tog = together

WS = wrong side

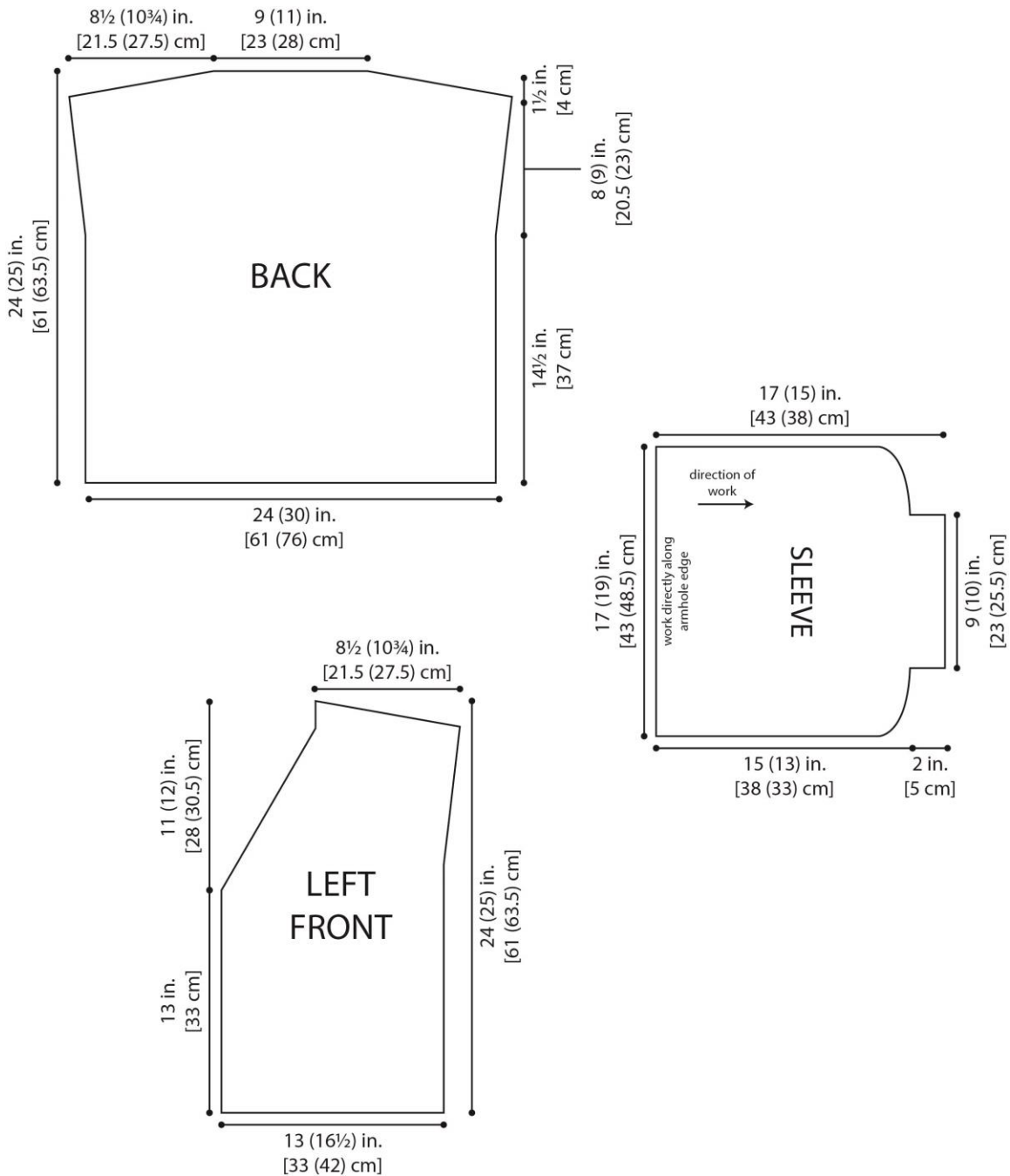
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