



*Free Crochet Pattern*

LION BRAND® WOOL-EASE®

# KINGBIRD CARDIGAN

Pattern Number: M21132 WE



## SKILL LEVEL – EASY

## SIZES

S/M (L/1X, 2X/3X, 4X/5X)

**Finished Bust** 42 (50, 58, 66) in. (106.5 (127, 147.5, 167.5) cm)

**Finished Length** 36 (37, 38, 39) in. (91.5 (94, 96.5, 99) 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® (Art. #620)  
#087 Arrowwood 4 (5, 5, 6) balls (A)  
#151 Grey Heather 2 (3, 3, 3) balls (B)
- LION BRAND® crochet hook size J-10 (6 mm)
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



## GAUGE

9 hdc + 8 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## STITCH EXPLANATIONS

**BPdc (Back Post double crochet)** Yarn over, insert hook from back to front then to back, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, (yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice. Skip top of st in front of the BPdc.

**FPdc (Front Post double crochet)** Yarn over, insert hook from front to back then to front, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, (yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice. Skip top of st behind the FPdc.

**hdc2tog (hdc 2 sts together)** (Yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop) twice, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook – 1 st decreased.

## NOTES

1. Cardigan is worked in 3 pieces: Body and 2 Sleeves.
2. Body is worked back and forth in rows from the lower edge upwards. Piece is divided at underarms then back and fronts are worked separately up to shoulders.
3. Sleeves are worked in joined rnds directly into armholes.
4. This Cardigan is designed to be oversized.
5. Yarn color is changed following Stripe Sequences. To change yarn color, work last st of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete st. Proceed with new color. Fasten off old color.

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## BODY STRIPE SEQUENCE

Work 4 rows with B, 7 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 33 rows with A, 2 rows with B, and 8 rows with A for a total of 56 rows in Body Stripe Sequence.

## FRONT AND BACK STRIPE SEQUENCE

Work 4 rows with B, 2 rows with A, and 10 (12, 14, 16) rows with B for a total of 16 (18, 20, 22) rows in Front and Back Stripe Sequence.

## SLEEVE STRIPE SEQUENCE

Work 9 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 10 rows with A, 2 rows with B, and 14 (12, 11, 9) rows with A for a total of 37 (35, 34, 32) rows in Sleeve Stripe Sequence.

## BODY

With B, ch 97 (115, 133, 151).

**Row 1 (RS):** With B, dc in 3rd ch from hook (2 skipped ch do not count as a st) and in each ch across – you will have 95 (113, 131, 149) sts in this row.

**Row 2:** With B, ch 2 (does not count as a st in this row and in all following rows), turn, \* FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st; rep from \* to last st, dc in last st.

**Row 3:** With B, ch 2, turn, \* BPdc around next st, FPdc around next st; rep from \* to last st, dc in last st.

**Row 4:** Rep Row 2 and change to A in last st.

**Row 5:** With A, ch 2, turn, hdc in each st across.

Rep Row 5 and continue to change yarn color following Body Stripe Sequence until all 56 rows of sequence have been completed.

Do not fasten off.

## *Divide for Fronts and Back*

### Right Front

**Row 1 (RS):** With B, ch 2, turn, hdc in first 20 (24, 28, 32) sts; leave rem sts unworked for back and left front – 20 (24, 28, 32) hdc.

**Row 2:** With B, ch 2, turn, hdc in each st across.

Rep Row 2 and continue to change yarn color following Front and Back Stripe Sequence until all 16 (18, 20, 22) rows of sequence have been completed.

Fasten off.

### Back

**Row 1 (RS):** From RS, sk 4 (4, 5, 5) unworked sts following Row 1 of right front, draw up a loop of B in next st, ch 2, beg in same st, hdc in next 47 (57, 65, 75) sts; leave rem sts unworked for left front – 47 (57, 65, 75) hdc.

**Row 2:** With B, ch 2, turn, hdc in each st across.

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Rep Row 2 and continue to change yarn color following Front and Back Stripe Sequence until all 16 (18, 20, 22) rows of sequence have been completed.

Fasten off.

## Left Front

**Row 1 (RS):** From RS, sk 4 (4, 5, 5) unworked sts following Row 1 of back, draw up a loop of B in next st, ch 2, beg in same st, hdc in each st across – 20 (24, 28, 32) hdc.

**Row 2:** With B, ch 2, turn, hdc in each st across.

Rep Row 2 and continue to change yarn color following Front and Back Stripe Sequence until all 16 (18, 20, 22) rows of sequence have been completed.

Fasten off.

Sew shoulder seams.

## SLEEVES (make 2)

Work the following instructions AND change yarn color following Sleeve Stripe Sequence until all 37 (35, 34, 32) rows of sequence have been completed. Then work cuff with B only.

**Rnd 1 (RS):** From RS, draw up a loop of A in underarm of one armhole, ch 1, work 36 (40, 46, 50) sc evenly spaced around armhole edge; join with sl st in first sc.

**Next 4 (8, 1, 7) Rnds:** Ch 2 (does not count as a st in this rnd and in all following rnds), hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc.

**Decrease Rnd:** Ch 2, hdc in first st, hdc2tog, hdc in each st to last 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in last st; join with sl st in first hdc – 34 (38, 44, 48) hdc.

**Next 4 (2, 2, 1) Rnd(s):** Ch 2, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc.

Rep last 5 (3, 3, 2) Rnds for 5 (7, 9, 10) more times – 24 (24, 26, 28) hdc when all decreases have been completed.

Rep Decrease Rnd – 22 (22, 24, 26) hdc.

**Next Rnd:** Ch 2, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc.

## Cuff

Work cuff with B only.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 2, dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc – 22 (22, 24, 26) dc.

**Rnds 2-4:** Ch 2 (does not count as a st in this rnd and in all following rnds), turn, \* FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st; rep from \* around; join with sl st in first FPdc.

Fasten off.

Rep to make 2nd Sleeve.

## FINISHING

### ***Front Bands***

From RS, join B with sl st in lower front corner, so that you are ready to work up front edge.

**Row 1:** Ch 1, sc evenly spaced along first front edge, along back neck edge, and along second front edge, taking care to work an even number of sts.

**Row 2:** Ch 2 (does not count as a st), turn, dc in each st across.

**Row 3:** Ch 2, turn, \* FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st; rep from \* across.

Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**beg** = begin(ning)(s)

**ch** = chain

**dc** = double crochet

**hdc** = half double crochet

**rem** = remain(ing)

**rep** = repeat

**rnd(s)** = round(s)

**RS** = right side

**sc** = single crochet

**sk** = skip

**sl st** = slip stitch

**st(s)** = stitch(es)

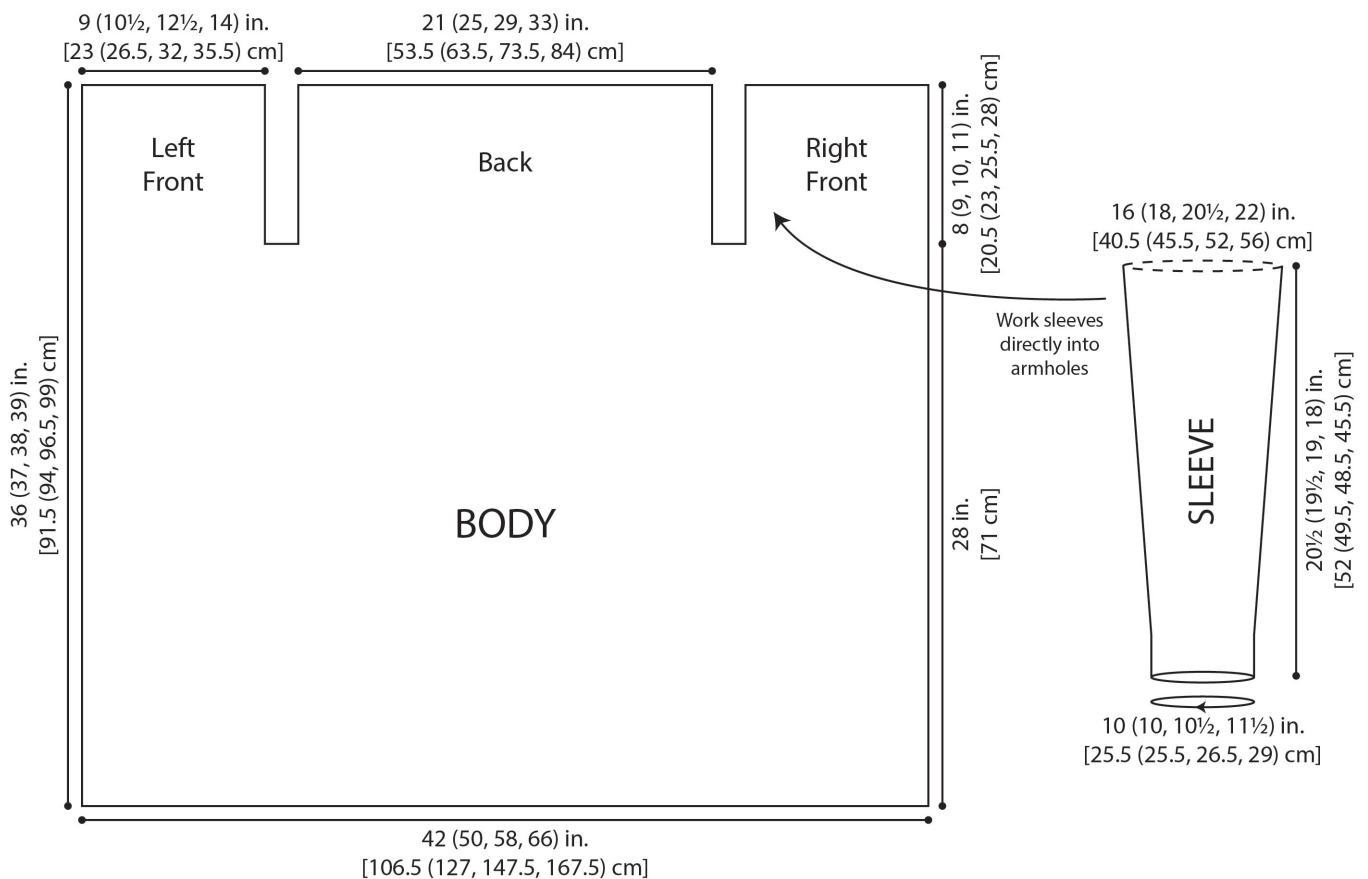
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