



Free Knitting Pattern

# Beehive Sleeve Sweater



Pattern #-

M22137 VC

Yarn-

Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®

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## SKILL LEVEL – EASY

## SIZES

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

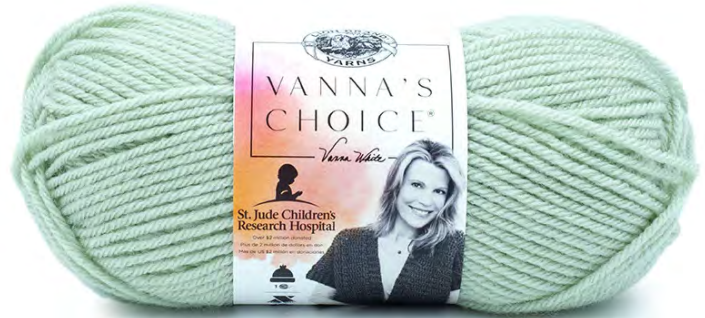
**Finished Bust** About 45 1/2 (53 1/2, 60 1/2, 68 1/2) in. (115.5 (136, 153.5, 174) cm)

**Finished Length** About 26 (27, 28, 29) in. (66 (68.5, 71, 73.5) 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® VANNA'S CHOICE® (Art. #860)  
#178 Sea Glass 7 (9, 10, 12) balls
- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® stitch holders
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



## ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 7 (4.5 mm), 16 in. (40 cm) long (for neckband only)

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

Circular knitting needle size 9 (5.5 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long

## GAUGE

14 sts + 16 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st worked in rnds (k every rnd) with larger needle.

19 sts = about 4 in. (10 cm) over Beehive Cable pattern with larger needle.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## STITCH EXPLANATIONS

**3/3 LC (3 over 3 left cross)** Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k3, then k3 from cable needle.

**3/3 RC (3 over 3 right cross)** Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then k3 from cable needle.

**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.

## PATTERN STITCHES

### Beehive Cable Pattern (worked over a multiple of 12 sts + 2 additional sts)

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, \* 3/3 RC, 3/3 LC; rep from \* to last st, k1.

**Rows 2-8:** Beg with a WS (purl) row, work in St st for 7 rows.

**Row 9:** K1, \* 3/3 LC, 3/3 RC; rep from \* to last st, k1.

**Rows 10-16:** Work in St st for 7 rows.

Rep Rows 1-16 for Beehive Cable pattern.

### K2, p2 Rib (worked in rnds over a multiple of 4 sts)

**Rnd 1:** \*K2, p2; rep from \* to end of rnd.

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

Rep Rnd 2 for K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds.

## NOTES

1. Sweater is made in 3 pieces: Body and 2 Sleeves.
2. Body is worked in rnds from lower edge to underarms. Piece is then divided and Front and Back are worked separately, back and forth in rows.
3. Sleeves are worked separately, back and forth in rows from wrist edge upwards.
4. 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.
5. When you see 'as established' in the instructions, this means to continue in the current pattern st, lining up sts as in previous rows.

## BODY

With long smaller needle, cast on 160 (188, 212, 240) sts.

Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.

Work in K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds until piece measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm) from beg.

Change to larger needle.

Work in St st worked in rnds (k every rnd) until piece measures about 15 in. (38 cm) from beg.

### *Divide for Back and Front*

#### *Back*

#### Note

Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

**Row 1 (RS):** K80 (94, 106, 120) for back, place rem 80 (94, 106, 120) sts on holder for front.

Work in St st worked in rows (k on RS, p on WS) until piece measures about 9 (10, 11, 12) in. (23 (25.5, 28, 30.5) cm) from divide, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

## ***Shape Shoulders***

Next 4 rows: Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, work in St st to end of row – you will have 60 (70, 78, 88) sts when all bind offs have been completed.

## ***Shape Neck and Continue to Shape Shoulders***

Place markers on each side of center 30 (32, 34, 36) sts for back neck.

**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, k to first marker for right side of neck; join a 2nd ball of yarn, bind off sts between markers and remove markers; k to end of row for left side of neck – 10 (13, 15, 18) sts for right side and 15 (19, 22, 26) sts for left side.

You will now work both sides of neck AT THE SAME TIME using separate balls of yarn.

**Row 2:** On left side, bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, p to end of side; on right side, bind off 3 sts, p to end of side – 7 (10, 12, 15) sts for right side and 10 (13, 15, 18) sts for left side.

**Row 3:** On right side, bind off rem 7 (10, 12, 15) sts; on left side, bind off 3 sts, k to end of side – 7 (10, 12, 15) sts for left side.

**Row 4:** Bind off rem 7 (10, 12, 15) left side sts.

## ***Front***

Return front sts from holder to larger needle, so that you are ready to work a RS row. Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

Work in St st worked in rows until front has 4 fewer rows than back before Shape Shoulder, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

## ***Shape Neck***

Place markers on each side of center 16 (18, 20, 22) sts for front neck.

**Row 1 (RS):** K to first marker for left side of neck; join a 2nd ball of yarn, bind off sts between markers and remove markers; k to end of row for right side of neck – 32 (38, 43, 49) sts for each side of neck.

You will now work both sides of neck AT THE SAME TIME using separate balls of yarn.

**Row 2:** On right side, p to end of side; on left side, bind off 3 sts, p to end of side – 29 (35, 40, 46) sts for left side and 32 (38, 43, 49) sts for right side.

**Row 3:** On left side, k to end of side; on right side, bind off 3 sts, k to end of side – 29 (35, 40, 46) sts for each side.

**Row 4:** Rep Row 2 – 26 (32, 37, 43) sts for left side and 29 (35, 40, 46) sts for right side.

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## ***Shape Shoulders and Continue to Shape Neck***

**Row 5 (RS):** On left side, bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, k to end of side; on right side, bind off 3 sts, k to end of side – 21 (26, 30, 35) sts for left side and 26 (32, 37, 43) sts for right side.

**Row 6:** On right side, bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, p to end of side; on left side, bind off 2 sts, p to end of side – 19 (24, 28, 33) sts for left side and 21 (26, 30, 35) sts for right side.

**Row 7:** On left side, bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, k to end of side; on right side, bind off 2 sts, k to end of side – 14 (18, 21, 25) sts for left side and 19 (24, 28, 33) sts for right side.

**Rows 8 and 9:** Rep Rows 6 and 7 – 7 (10, 12, 15) sts for left side and 12 (16, 19, 23) sts for right side in Row 9.

**Row 10:** On right side, bind off 5 (6, 7, 8) sts, p to end of side; on left side, p to end of side – 7 (10, 12, 15) sts for each side.

**Row 11:** Bind off rem 7 (10, 12, 15) left side sts; on right side, k to end of row.

**Row 12:** Bind off rem 7 (10, 12, 15) right side sts.

## **SLEEVES (make 2)**

**Note:** Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

With long smaller needle, cast on 42 sts.

**Row 1:** K1 (selvedge st), \* k2, p2; rep from \* to last st, k1 (selvedge st).

**Row 2:** K1, k the knit sts and p the purl sts to the last st, k1.

Rep Row 2 until piece measures about 3 in. (7.5 cm) from beg.

Change to larger needle.

Increase Row (RS): K1, \* k2, M1; rep from \* to last st, k1 – 62 sts.

Next row: Purl.

## ***Begin Beehive Cable pattern***

### **Note**

The selvedge sts are edge sts that will 'disappear' into the Sleeve seam.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1 (selvedge st), work Row 1 of Beehive Cable pattern to last st, k1 (selvedge st).

**Row 2:** K1, work Row 2 of Beehive Cable pattern to last st, k1.

**Increase Row (RS):** K1, M1, work in Beehive Cable pattern as established to last st, M1, k1 – 64 sts.

Knitting first and last st of every row for selvedge sts, work in Beehive Cable pattern as established and work new sts into pattern for 5 (1, 1, 1) row(s).

Rep Increase Row – 66 sts.

Rep last 6 (2, 2, 2) rows 10 (15, 19, 24) more times – 86 (96, 104, 114) sts.

Work even in Beehive Cable pattern as established until piece measures about 20 (19, 19, 18) in. (51 (48.5, 48.5, 45.5) cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

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**Decrease Row (WS):** K1, \* p1, p2tog; rep from \* to last 1 (2, 1, 2) st(s), k1 (2, 1, 2) – 58 (65, 70, 77) sts.

Bind off.

## FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

### **Neckband**

With short, smaller needle, beg at either shoulder seam, pick up and k88 (92, 96, 100) sts evenly spaced around neck edge.

Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle.

Work in K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds for about 2 in. (5 cm).

Bind off.

Sew Sleeve seams. Sew Sleeves into armholes.

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**beg** = begin(ning)

**k** = knit

**p** = purl

**p2tog** = purl 2 stitches together

**rem** = remain(ing)(s)

**rep** = repeat

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

**RS** = right side

**St st** = Stockinette stitch

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

**WS** = wrong side



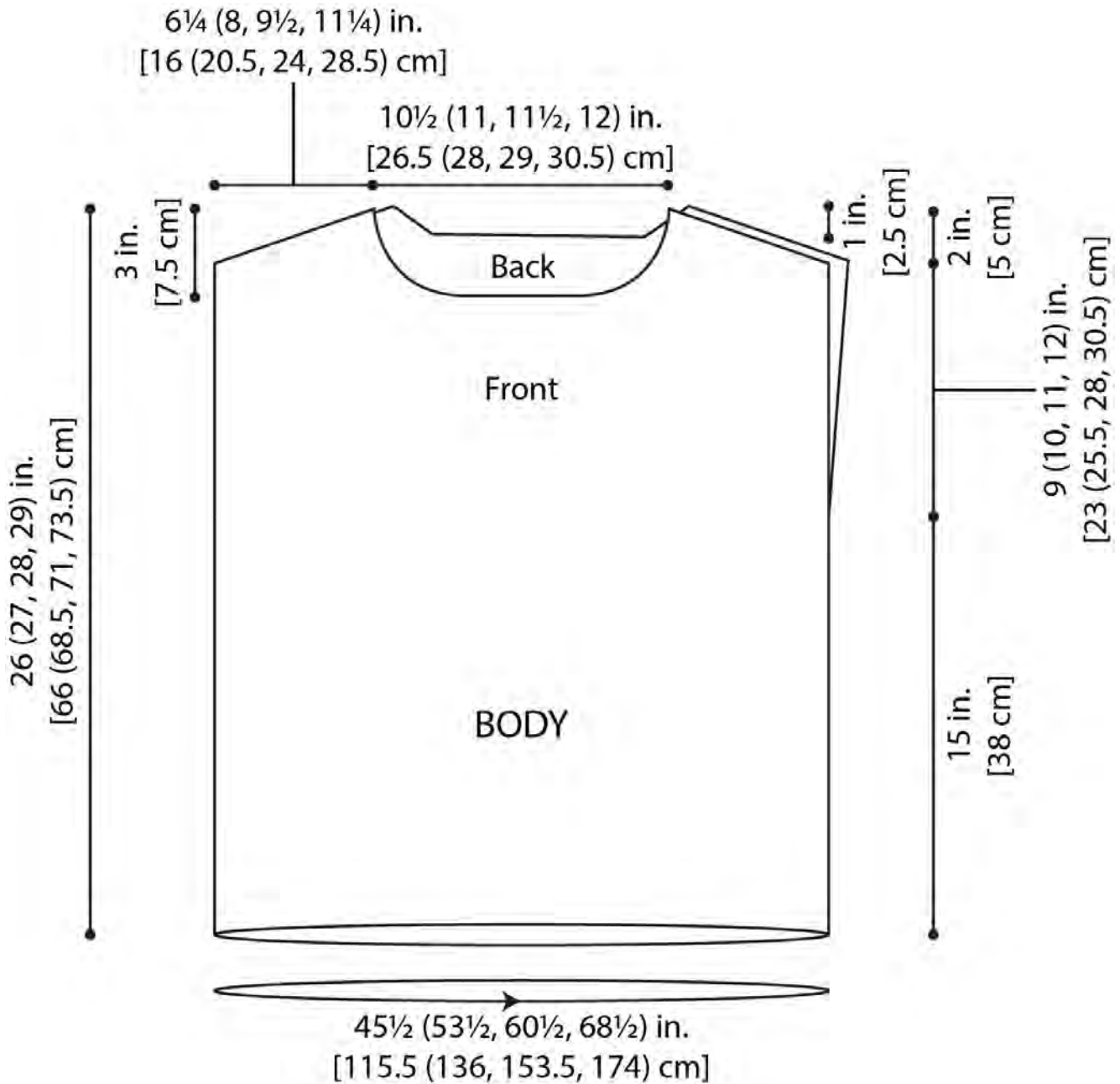
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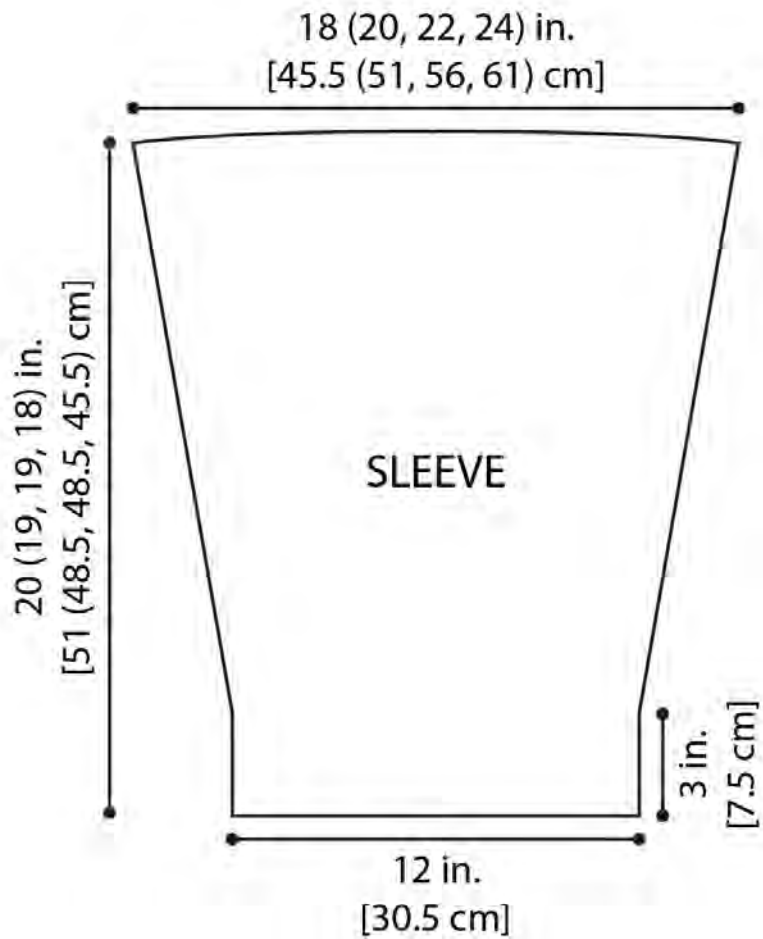
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