

DIAMOND PATT DRESS



Size: 12 (16)

NOTE: figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where only

one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

Skill Level: intermediate

How much yarn:

g 650 (700) of Super Soft yarn, in air force blue no. 10173 **Needles:** Pair of 3.00 mm (no. 11) knitting needles

Pair of 5 mm (no. 6) knitting needles A double-pointed (Dp) needle

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

Other items: 4 long stitch-holders

STITCHES

Using needles: tubular stitch - stocking stitch (st st) reverse stocking stitch (rev st st) - K2, P2 rib.

CABLE-AND-DIAMOND PATT (worked on 52 centre sts of Front) Row 1: (RS) P2, K6, (P8, K6) 3 times, P2. Row 2 and every foll even row: Knit the K sts and purl the P sts. Row 3: work as Row 1. Row 5: P2, work 6 Left crossed stitches (= place next 3 sts onto Dp needle, on frontside, K next 3 sts, K3 from Dp needle), P8, work 6 Right crossed stitches (= place next 3 sts onto Dp needle, on backside, K next 3 sts, K3 from Dp needle), (P8, 6 Right crossed sts) twice, P2. Row 7: P2, K6, P7, work 4 Right crossed stitches (= place next st onto Dp needle, on backside, K next 3 sts, P1 from Dp needle), work 4 Left crossed stitches (= place next 3 sts onto Dp needle, on frontside, P1, K3 from Dp needle), P6, 4 Right crossed sts, 4 Left crossed sts, P7, K6, P2. Row 9: P2, K6, P6, 4 Right crossed sts, P2, 4 Left crossed sts, P4, 4 Right crossed sts, P2, 4 Left crossed sts, P6, K6, P2. Row 11: P2, K6, P5, 4 Right crossed sts, P4, 4 Left crossed sts, P2, 4 Right crossed sts, P4, 4 Left crossed sts, P5, K6, P2. Row 13: P2, K6, P4, 4 Right crossed sts, P6, 4 Left crossed sts, 4 Right crossed sts, P6, 4 Left crossed sts, P4, K6, P2. Row 15: P2, 6 Left crossed sts, P4, K3, P8, 6 Right crossed sts, P8, K3, P4, 6 Right crossed sts, P2. Row 17: P2, K6, P4, 4 Left crossed sts, P6, 4 Right crossed sts, 4 Left crossed sts, P6, 4 Right crossed sts, P4, K6, P2. Row 19: P2, K6, P5, 4 Left crossed sts, P4, 4 Right crossed sts, P2, 4 Left crossed sts, P4, 4 Right crossed sts, P5, K6, P2. Row 21: P2, K6, P6, 4 Left crossed sts, P2, 4 Right crossed sts, P4, 4 Left crossed sts, P2, 4 Right crossed sts, P6, K6, P2. Row 23: P2, K6, P7, 4 Left crossed sts, 4 Right crossed sts, P6, 4 Left crossed sts, 4 Right crossed sts, P7, K6, P2. Row 24: Knit the K sts and purl the P sts. Rep Rows 5-24 throughout.

TENSIONS

25 sts and 32 rows measure 10 cm square over st st with 5.00 mm (no. 6) needles. Cable-and-diamond patt on 52 sts is 16 cm wide.

INSTRUCTIONS

Back: with 3.00 mm (no. 11) needles cast on 152 (160) sts. Work 4 rows in tubular st. Cont to work in K2, P2 rib until Border measures 20 (21) cm from beg, ending with a RS row. On next row (WS), dec 38 (40) sts evenly spaced (= work K2 tog all K2 ribs): 114 (120) sts remain. Change to 5.00 mm (no. 6) and work in stocking st. When piece measures 40 (44) cm from border, create sleeves, inc 1 st at each end on next (RS) and every foll alternate row 8 (10) times. There are

130 (140) sts, then cast on 36 (40) new sts at end of next 2 rows. There are 202 (220) sts. Work 14 (15) cm more. Cast off centre 50 (56) sts for neck and leave on a stitch-holder rem 76 (82) sts of each side (shoulder and sleeve).

Front: with 3.00 mm (no. 11) needles cast on 152 (160) sts. Work Border as Front: 114 (120) sts remain. Change to 5.00 mm (no. 6) and work centre 52 sts in Cable-and-diamond patt and work 31 (34) sts on either side in st st. Inc sts for sleeves as Back and at the same height. There are 202 (220) sts. When Front measures 49 (54) cm from Border, shape neck. Cast off centre 22 (24) sts and cont to work separately on either side dec at neck edge 2 sts every alternate row 7 (8) times. On right side work Right-side double decs as follows: slip next 2 sts onto dp needle and hold to back of work, then K tog next st on needle with the corresponding first st of dp needle, K tog next st on needle with the corresponding 2nd st of dp needle (4 sts become 2) and on left side work Left-side double decs as follows: slip next 2 sts onto dp needle and hold to front of work, then K tog 1st of dp needle with the corresponding next st on needle, K tog 2nd st of dp needle with the corresponding next st on needle (4 sts become 2). Then cont to work straight until Front measures as Back. Leave on a stitch-holder rem 76 (82) sts of each side (shoulder and sleeve).

Long cuffs: with 3.00 mm (no. 11) needles cast on 78 (86) sts. Work 4 rows in tubular st. Cont to work in K2, P2 rib until Border measures 27 (29) cm from beg. Cast off.

Collar: with 3.00 mm (no. 11) needles cast on 160 (168) sts. Work in K2, P2 rib until Collar measures 20 (21) cm from beg. Cast off.

FINISHING

Using yarn needle, join in kitchener st Front and Back shoulder and sleeve sts, in correspondence. Set in cuffs to sleeves, then sew side and sleeve seams. Sew side seam of Collar to form a ring: . first half seam on right side and other half seam on wrong side. Join cast off edge of Collar all around neck edge, then fold in half Collar outside.

