

NORO

Takeuma

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YS-571

Finished Measurements

Width 43in/109cm
Length 24in/61cm

Materials

US 6 (4mm) needles (x2)
US 7 (4½mm) needles (x2)
320 gr (about 7 skeins) Noro Takeuma shade #6

Tension

Using US 7 (4½mm) needles and measured over pattern 21sts x 27rs = 4in (10cm) square.

Instructions

BACK

With US 6 needles cast on 114sts and wk as follows:

Row 1: (RSF) * K1, P1 rep from * to end.

Row 2: K all Ksts and P all P sts to end.

Rep the last 2 rs for a further 10rs.

Change to US 7 needles and wk diamond patt as follows:

Row 1: (RSF) K2, [P5, C4B, P5, K2] 7 times.

Row 2 and all foll alt rs: K all K sts and P all P sts to end.

Row 3: K2, [P4, C2B, K2, C2F, P4, K2] 7 times.

Row 5: K2, [P3, C2B, P1, K2, P1, C2F, P3, K2] 7 times.

Row 7: K2, [P2, C2B, P2, K2, P2, C2F, P2, K2] 7 times.

Row 9: K2, [P1, C2B, P3, K2, P3, C2F, P1, K2] 7 times.

Row 11: K2, [C2B, P4, K2, P4, C2F, K2] 7 times.

Row 13: K1, C2B, [P5, K2, P5, C4B] 6 times. P5, K2, P5, C2F, K1.

Row 15: K2, [C2F, P4, K2, P4, C2B, K2] 7 times.

Row 17: K2, [P1, C2F, P3, K2, P3, C2B, P1, K2] 7 times.

Row 19: K2, [P2, C2F, P2, K2, P2, C2B, P2, K2] 7 times.

Row 21: K2, [P3, C2F, P1, K2, P1, C2B, P3, K2] 7 times.

Row 23: K2, [P4, C2F, K2, C2B, P4, K2] 7 times.

Row 24: As row 2.

Rep patt from row 1 until back measures 14 ins from beg ending with a wrong side row.

Place a colored marker at each end of the last row (marks armhole)

The cont in patt *AT THE SAME TIME* inc 1 st at each end of the next row and every foll 4th row until 134sts working inc sts into patt.

Wk straight until armhole measures 7½ from colored markers ending with a wrong side row.

SHAPE SHOULDERS

Row 1: (RSF) Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

Row 2: Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

Rep the last 2 rs 3 times more.

Row 9: Cast off 6sts, patt until 14sts on right hand needle, turn and put rem sts on a spare needle.

Row 10: Wk2sts tog and patt to end.

Row 11: Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

Row 12: As row 10.

Cast off rem 6sts.

Return to the sts on the spare needle.

RSF rejoin yarn and cast off the centre 46sts.

Cont on rem 20sts as follows

NR: Patt to end.

NR: Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

NR: Wk2sts tog and patt to end.

Rep the last 2rs once more.

Cast off rem 6sts.

FRONT

Cast on and wk as given for back until front is 4 rs shorter than back up to colored markers.

DIVIDE FOR FRONT 'V' NECK

NR: Patt 57sts, turn and put rem sts on a spare needle.

NR: Wk2sts tog and patt to end.

NR: Patt to end.

NR: Wk2sts tog and patt to end.

Place a colored marker at the end of the last row (marks armhole)

Then cont in patt inc 1 st at the BEG of the next row and at this same edge on every foll 4th row *AT THE SAME TIME* dec 1 st at neck edge on every foll alt row until 10 sts inc on the outside and 25sts dec in total at neck edge. 42sts rem.

Wk straight until front measures same as back up to beg of shoulder shaping ending with a wrong side row.

SHAPE SHOULDER RSF

Row 1: Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

Row 2: Patt to end.

Rep the last 2 rs 5 times more.

Cast off rem 6sts.

Return to the sts on the spare needle.

RSF rejoin and wk as follows:

NR: Wk 2sts tog and patt to end.

NR: Patt to end.

Rep the last 2 rs once more.

Place a colored marker at the BEG of the last row (marks armhole)

Cont in patt inc 1 st at the END of the next row and at this same edge on every foll 4th row *AT THE SAME TIME* dec 1 st at neck edge on THE NEXT and every foll alt row until 10 sts inc on the outside and 25sts dec in total at neck edge. 42sts rem.

Wk straight until front measures same as back up to beg of shoulder shaping ending with a right side row.

SHAPE SHOULDER WSF

Row 1: Cast off 6sts and patt to end.

Row 2: Patt to end.

Rep the last 2 rs 5 times more.

Cast off rem 6sts.

NECKBAND

Join right shoulder seam.

RSF with US 6 needles pick up and knit around neck edge as follows:

68sts evenly down left front neck edge, pick up loop at centre front and knit into back of loop, pick up and K68sts evenly up right front neck edge and 53sts across back neck. 190sts.

Wk as follows:

Row 1: * K1, P1, rep from * to 2sts before centre front st, K2tog, P1, K2tog, * P1, K1, rep from * to end.

Row 2: Rib as set to 2sts before centre front st, P2tog, K1, P2tog, rib as set to end.

Rib a further 6rs dec at each side of centre front stitch as set.

Cast off dec on this row also.

ARMBANDS

Join left shoulder and neckband seams.

RSF with US 6 needles pick up and K90sts evenly around armhole from colored marker to colored marker.

Wk 10rs in K1, P1, rib.

Cast off.

FINISHING

Sew up side and armband seams.

