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Sizes

Woman's size Small (Medium, Large, XLarge)

Finished Measurements

Bust: 92 (100, 108, 116) cm/36 (39½, 42½, 45½) in Length: 46 (49, 52, 55) cm/18 (19½, 20½, 21½) in

Materials

200 (200, 300, 300)g of Knitting Fever's **Painted Desert** shade #20

One pair each sizes 3.5 and 4 mm (US 4 and 6) One circular needle size 3.5 mm (US 4) 1 button (approx. 2.5 cm/1in)

Gauge

19 sts and 44 rows = 4in over Garter Stitch, using larger needles. Take time to check gauge, changing needle size if necessary.

Stitches Used

Garter Stitch (knit every row)

INSTRUCTIONS

BACK

With 4 mm needles, cast on 84 (92, 100, 108) sts and work in Garter st for 5 cm/2 in.

Side shaping

Inc row (RS): Work 1 st, M1 (insert LH needle into horizontal strand between last st worked and next st on needle, k through back lp of this strand), cont in pat to last st, M1, work 1 st.

Rep Inc row every 10 cm/4in once more = 88 (96, 104, 112) sts.

Work even until piece measures 27 (29, 31, 33) cm/ 10 ½ (11½, 12¼, 13)in from beg, end with a WS row.

Armhole shaping

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7) sts at beg of next 2 rows, 3 (4, 5, 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st each side on next row, then every other row 6 times more= 60 (64, 68, 72) sts. Work even until piece measures 44 (47, 50, 53) cm/ 17½ (18½, 19½, 21)in from beg, end with a WS row.

Neck shaping

Next row (RS): K 21 (23, 25, 27) sts, place center 18 sts on a st holder, join 2nd ball of yarn and k to end. Working both sides at once, bind off from each neck edge 4 sts once, 3 sts once and 2 sts once.

When piece measures 46 (49, 52, 55) cm/18 ($19\frac{1}{2}$, $20\frac{1}{2}$, $21\frac{1}{2}$)in from beg, bind off rem 12 (14, 16, 18) sts each side for shoulders.

LEFT FRONT LOWER PIECE

With 4 mm needles, cast on 88 (96, 104, 108) sts and work in garter st for 4 rows.

Center Dec row: K41 (45, 49, 51), k2tog, place marker, k2 (= center 2 sts), SKP (sl 1, k1, pass slip st over k1), k to end

*Knit 1 row.

Next Dec row: K to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, slip marker, k2, SKP, k to end.

Knit 3 rows

Next Dec row: K to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, slip marker, k2, SKP, k to end.

Repfrom*(6rows) until there are 6sts on needle. Bind off.

LEFT FRONT UPPER PIECE

With 4 mm needles, along one side of the lower piece, pick up 44 (48, 52, 56) sts and work in garter st for 4 cm/

Armhole and neck shaping

Next row (RS): Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7) sts (armhole dec), k to last 3 sts, k2tog (neck dec), k1.

Cont to bind off from armhole edge 3 (4, 5, 6) sts once and dec 1 st every 2nd row 7 times, **AT THE SAME TIME**, dec 1 st at neck edge as established every 4th row 17 times more.

When piece measures 46 (49, 52, 55) cm/18 (19½, 20½, 21½)in from lower edge, bind off rem 12 (14, 16, 18) sts for shoulder.

RIGHT FRONT LOWER PIECE

Work same as left front lower piece.

RIGHT FRONT UPPER PIECE

Work same as left front upper piece for 4 cm/1½in.

Armhole and neck shaping

Next row (WS): Bind off 4 ($\overline{5}$, 6, 7) sts (armhole dec), k to end.

Next row (RS): k1, SKP (neck dec), k1.

Cont to bind off from armhole edge 3 (4, 5, 6) sts once and dec 1 st every 2nd row 7 times, **AT THE SAME TIME**, dec 1 st at neck edge as established every 4th row 17 times more.

When piece measures 46 (49, 52, 55) cm/18 (19½, 20½, 21½)in from lower edge, bind off rem 12 (14, 16, 18) sts for shoulder.

FINISHING

Block pieces to measurements. Sew shoulder and side seams. With RS facing and smaller needles, beg at lower edge of right front, pick up 98 (103, 108, 113) sts along right front edge, 34 sts along back neck and 60 (64, 68, 72) sts along left front = 230 (240, 250, 260) sts. Place a marker on right front at 1 cm/¼in above first neck dec. Work in Garter st for 1 row. K next row,

Credits

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Abbreviations

beg beginning cont continue dec decrease inc increase(ing) k knit em remain(ing)

KP slip 1 stitch knitwise,

k1, pass slipped st

over k1

t(s) stitch (es)



binding off 3 sts at marker for buttonhole. On next row, cast on 3 sts over bound-off sts. Cont in Garter st for 2 rows more. Bind off sts loosely.

With RS facing and circular needle, pick up 80 (84, 92, 96) sts evenly along each armhole edge. Join and [knit 1 rnd, purl 1 rnd] 2 times. Bind off sts loosely. Sew on button.



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