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Finished Measurements

Chest 35 (37, 39, 41, 43)" (89 [94, 99, 104, 109]cm)
Length 21 (21, 21.5, 22, 22)" (53.5 [53.5, 54.5, 56, 56]cm)

Yarn

Heavy Worsted Weight 550 (600, 650, 700, 725) yds (504 [550, 595, 640, 664]m)
Shokay Pure Yak Down, Himalayan Sunser 3.5 oz (100g) skeins, each approximately 164 yds (150m), (100% yak), CYCA 4, 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) skeins

Needles & Notions

Size 7 (4.5mm) knitting needles, or size needed to obtain gauge
Size 7 (4.5mm) circular needle 16-24" (40-60mm) long
Optional: Size 7 (4.5mm) double-pointed needles for belt
Stitch holders
Stitch markers
Tapestry needle

Gauge

16 stitches and 24 rows = 4" (10cm) over stockinette stitch. Adjust needle size as necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Seed Stitch

Row 1: (K1, p1) across.

All Other Rows: Knit the purl stitches and purl the knit stitches as they appear.

Back

Cast on 70 (74, 78, 82, 86) stitches. Work in seed stitch for 1", ending with a wrong side row.

Set-Up Main Pattern: Work 4 stitches in seed stitch, work stockinette stitch over 62 (66, 70, 74, 78) stitches, work seed stitch over last 4 stitches. Continue as established and at the same time shape waist:

Shape Waist

Work Decrease Row* every 8 rows 3 (3, 3, 4, 3) times, then every 10 (10, 10, 0, 10) rows 1 (1, 1, 0, 1) time.

Increase** one stitch each side every 10 (10, 10, 0, 10) rows 1 (1, 1, 0, 1) time, then every 8 rows 3 (3, 3, 4, 3) times-70 (74, 78, 82, 86) stitches.

*Decrease Row (RS): Work 4 stitches in seed stitch, ssk, work across to last 6 stitches, k2tog, work seed stitch over last 4 stitches.

**Increase Row (RS): Work 4 stitches in seed stitch, knit 1, increase one stitch by inserting left needle from back to front into the horizontal bar between the last stitch worked and the next stitch. Knit the bar through the front loop, work across row until 7 stitches remain, increase one stitch by inserting needle from front to back into the horizontal bar between the last stitch worked and the next stitch. Knit the bar through the back loop, knit 1, work seed stitch over last 4 stitches.

Continue until Back measures 13 (13, 13, 13.5, 13)" (33 [33, 33, 34.5, 33]cm) from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape Armhole

Bind off 5 (5, 6, 7, 7) stitches at the beginning of the next two rows. Decrease Row (RS): Knit 2, ssk, work across to last 4 stitches, k2tog, knit 2.

Continue to work Decrease Row every other row 3 (4, 5, 5, 6) more times-52 (54, 54, 56, 58) stitches. Work even until armhole measures 7 (7, 7.5, 7.5, 8)" (18 [18, 19, 19, 20.5]cm).

Shape Shoulders and Back Neck

Using short rows, shape each shoulder at side edge as follows:

Rows 1 and 2: Work to last 5 (5, 5, 5, 5) stitches, wrap and turn*.

Row 3: Work 10 (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches, join second ball of yarn and bind off 22 (24, 24, 26, 28) stitches for back neck, work to last 10 (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches, wrap and turn.

Row 4: Work to last 10 (10, 10, 10, 10) stitches, wrap and turn.

Row 5: Work to three stitches from neck edge, k2tog, knit 1. Second shoulder: Knit 1, ssk, work to end, picking up wraps.

Row 6: Work across all stitches, picking up remaining wraps.

Place 14 (14, 14, 14, 14) shoulder stitches on holders.

*To wrap knit stitches: Slip next stitch purlwise, with yarn in back; bring yarn to front and slip the same stitch back onto left needle. Turn, and bring the yarn to the front (purl side).

To wrap purl stitches: Slip next stitch purlwise, with yarn in front; move yarn to back and slip the same stitch back onto left needle. Turn, and bring the yarn to the back (purl side).

Picking up wraps on knit rows: Insert needle under the wrap and the wrapped stitch, knitwise, and knit them together.

Picking up wraps on purl rows: Insert needle from behind into the back loop of wrap and move it to left needle. Purl it together with the wrapped stitch.

Front

Work as for Back, including Armhole Shaping, until Front measures 14 (14, 14, 14.5, 14)" (35.5 [35.5, 35.5, 36, 35.5]cm) from beginning.

Shape Placket

Work across to center 8 stitches, join a second ball of yarn and bind off center 8 stitches, complete row. Continue working both sides at same time with separate balls of yarn, until Placket depth measures 5 (5, 5.5, 5.5, 6)" (12.75 [12.75, 14, 14, 15.25]cm) from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Shape Neck

Bind off 3 (3, 3, 3, 3) stitches at each neck edge on the next two rows. Decrease Row (RS): First Shoulder: work across until 4 stitches remain for first shoulder, k2tog, knit 2. Second Shoulder: Knit 2, ssk, work to end. Work Decrease Row every right side row 5 (6, 6, 6, 7) more times. Work even until armhole measures 7 (7, 7.5, 7.5, 8)" (18 [18, 19, 19, 20.5]cm). Shape Shoulders as for Back.

Finishing

Belt (Optional)

With right side of Back facing, pick up and knit 4 stitches at side edge, between last waist decrease and first waist increase. Pick up only the outside edge of the stitches for a clean edge. Work back

and forth in seed stitch until belt measures about 25" or desired length. Bind off. Repeat at other side edge. Join shoulders of Back and Front with three needle bind off. Sew side seams, being sure belt is on right side of garment. For a smooth seam, use mattress stitch on the purl bumps of the seed stitch edges, and use the purl bumps at the base of the belt where it's attached to the back.

Neck Finishing

With circular needle and right side facing, pick up and knit 116 (118, 126, 126, 132) stitches evenly around neck edge, beginning and ending at lower base of plackets.

Working back and forth, work in seed stitch for 5 rows,

ending with a wrong side row. Bind off loosely in pattern. Sew ends of placket in place, butting edges together.

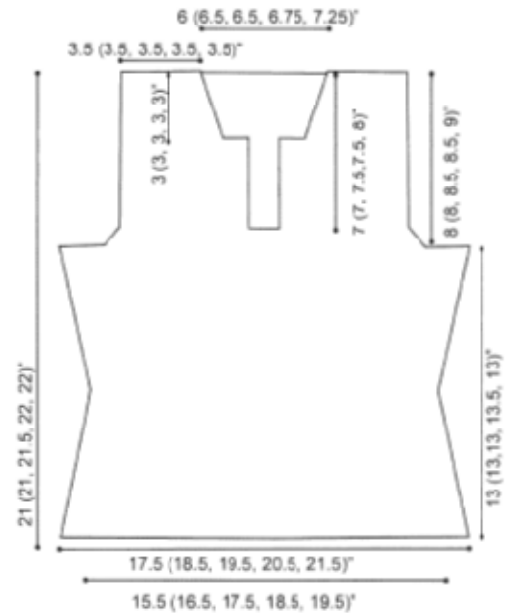
Abbreviations			
Beg	beginning	Rep	repeat
BO	bind off	Rnd	round
CO	cast on	RS	right side
Cont	continue	Scl	selvage
Dec(s)	decrease(s)	Sl	slip
Inc(s)	increase(s)	Sl	slip
K	knit	Sl	slip the next two stitches
K2tog	knit two together	Sl	slip the next two stitches
P	purl	Sl	slip the next two stitches
Pat	pattern	Sl	slip the next two stitches
PM	place marker	Tog	together
PU	pick up	WS	wrong side
Rem	remaining	Yds	yards
		YO	yarn over

needle and right side facing, begin at underarm and pick up and knit 74 (74, 80, 82, 86) stitches evenly around armhole. Place marker for beginning of round.

work in seed stitch for 5 rows. Bind off loosely in pattern. Repeat for

Armhole Edging

With circular



Front and Back

second armhole.

Weave in all loose ends. Block gently to measurements.

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