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TECHNIQUE USED: Knit



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SIZES

Small (Medium, Large)

To Fit: 2T (4T, 6T)

KNITTED MEASUREMENTS

Chest 24 (26, 28)"/ 61 (66, 71) cm

Length 14 (15, 16)"/ 35.5 (38, 40.5) cm

MATERIALS

Caron International's Simply Soft (100% acrylic; 6 oz/170 g, 315 yds/288 m skein):

12 (12, 18) oz/340(340, 509)g (MC); 12 (12, 12) oz 340(340, 340)g each (A) and (B)

Shown in: #9742 Grey Heather (MC); #9722 Plum Wine (A); #9723 Raspberry (B)

One pair size US 7 (4.5 mm) needles, or size to obtain gauge

One circular needle size US 7 (4.5 mm), 24"/61 cm long

Stitch holders

Yarn needle

Three buttons –5/8"/2 cm diameter

Row counter (optional)

GAUGE

In Stockinette stitch, 18 sts and 20 rows = 4"/10 cm

ABBREVIATIONS

k1-f/b (increase): Knit next st, then knit it through the back loop.

p1-f/b (increase): Purl next st, then purl it through the back loop.

k2tog (decrease): Knit 2 sts together through the front loops.

p2tog (decrease): Purl 2 sts together through the front loops.

ssk [ssp] (decrease): Slip 2 sts, one at a time KNITWISE to right-hand needle, return sts to left-hand needle in turned position and knit [purl] them together through the back loops.

STITCHES USED

Garter stitch: Knit all sts every row.

Reverse Stockinette st (Rev St st): Purl on RS, knit on WS.

Stockinette stitch (St st): Knit on RS, purl on WS.

2 x 2 Rib (multiple of 4 sts)

Row 1 (RS): * K2, p2; repeat from * across.

Row 2: Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts as they face you.

Repeat Row 2 for 2 x 2 rib.

BACK

Using A, cast on 63 (67, 72) sts.

(RS) Begin Garter st; work even for 4 rows, end with a WS row.

Lower Section

Change to MC and St st, begin working from [Chart](#).

Work Rows 1 – 34 of [Chart](#), changing colors as indicated.

Rows 35 – 36 (38, 40): Change to MC; work even for 2 (4, 6) rows, end with a WS row.

Shaping and Rib

Change to A and 2 x 2 rib.

Row 1: * K2tog, k1, p2, k2, p2; repeat from * across—56 (60, 64) sts remain.

Rows 2 – 4: Work even in 2 x 2 rib.

Bodice

Change to St st; continuing from Chart for remainder of piece, work even until piece measures 1 (1 1/2, 2)" from rib section, end with a WS row.

Shape Armhole

(RS) Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts at beginning of next 2 rows—46 (48, 50) sts remain.

(RS) Beginning this row, dec 1 st each side every row 3 times as follows:

RS rows: K1, k2tog, work across to last 3 sts, ssk, k1.

WS row: P1, ssp, work across to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1—40 (42, 44) sts remain.

Work even until armhole measures 4 1/2 (5, 5 1/2)" from beginning of shaping, end with a WS row; place a marker (pm) each side of center 10 (12, 14) sts.

Shape Neck and Shoulders

(RS) Work across to first marker; join a second ball of yarn, bind off center sts, work to end—15 sts each side for shoulders. Work 1 row even.

(RS) At each armhole edge, bind off 4 sts once, 6 sts once, and AT THE

SAME TIME, on first row of shoulder shaping, at each neck edge, bind off 5 sts.

LEFT FRONT

Using A, cast on 37 (39, 41) sts.

(RS) Begin Garter st; work even for 4 rows, end with a WS row.

Lower Section – Establish Front Band

Change to MC and begin working from Chart, working 5-st Front band in Garter st as follows throughout:

RS rows: Knit all sts.

WS rows: K5 (Front band), purl to end (St st).

Work Rows 1 – 34 of Chart, changing colors as indicated.

Rows 35 – 36 (38, 40): Change to MC; work even for 2 (4, 6) rows, end with a WS row.

Shaping and Rib

Change to A and 2 x 2 rib.

Row 1: * K2tog, k1, p2, k2, p2; repeat from * across, maintaining 5-st Front band—33 (35, 37) sts remain.

Rows 2 – 4: Work even in 2 x 2 rib, maintaining Front Band.

Bodice

Maintaining Front band as established, change to St st on remaining sts; continuing from Chart for remainder of piece, work even until piece measures 1 (1 1/2, 2)" from rib section, end with a WS row.

Shape Armhole

(RS) Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, work to end—28 (29, 30) sts remain.

(WS) Work 1 row even.

(RS) Beginning this row, dec 1 st at armhole edge every row 3 times as follows:

RS rows: K1, k2tog, work to end.

WS row: K5 (Front band), purl across to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1—25 (26, 27) sts remain.

Work even until armhole measures 4 1/2 (5, 5 1/2)" from beginning of shaping, end with a RS row.

Shape Neck and Shoulders

(WS) At neck edge, bind off 5 sts of Front band, work to end—20 (21 22) sts remain. Work 1 (RS) row even.

(WS) At neck edge, bind off 5 (6, 7) sts once, 5 sts once, and AT THE SAME TIME, beginning next (RS) row, at armhole edge, bind off 4 sts once, 6 sts once.

RIGHT FRONT

Using A, cast on 37 (39, 41) sts.

(RS) Begin Garter st; work even for 4 rows, end with a WS row; cast on 6 sts for Front facing—43 (45, 47) sts.

Lower Section – Establish Front Facing

Change to MC and begin working from Chart, working 6-st Front facing as follows throughout:

RS rows: K5 (St st), p1 (turning st – keep in Rev St st throughout), knit to end (St st).

WS rows: Purl across to last 6 sts (St st), k1 (Rev St st), p5 (St st).

Work Rows 1 – 34 of Chart, changing colors as indicated.

Rows 35 – 36 (38, 40): Change to MC; work even for 2 (4, 6) rows, end with a WS row.

Shaping and Rib

Change to A and 2 x 2 rib.

Row 1 (RS): K5, p1, k5, * k2tog, k1, p2, k2, p2; repeat from * across, end p2 (k2, p2)—39 (41, 43) sts remain.

Row 2: Work even in 2 x 2 rib across to last 11 sts; p2, bind off 2 sts (button hole), p1, k1, p1, bind off 2 sts (button hole in facing), p2.

Row 3: Work as established, casting on 2 sts over bound off sts.

Row 4: Work even as established.

Bodice

Maintaining Front band as established, change to St st on remaining sts; continuing from [Chart](#) for remainder of piece, work even until piece measures 1 (1 1/2, 2)" from rib section, end with a RS row.

Shape Armhole

(WS) Bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, work to end—34 (35, 36) sts remain.

(RS) Work 1 row even.

(WS) Beginning this row, dec 1 st at armhole edge every row 3 times as follows:

WS rows: P1, p2tog, work to end as established.

RS row: Work across to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—31 (32, 33) sts remain.

* Work even until armhole measures 2 1/2 (2 3/4, 3)" from beginning of shaping, end with a RS row.

Buttonhole: Work as first buttonhole, in facing and Front band.

Repeat from * once for third buttonhole.

Work 1 row even, end with a WS row.

Shape Neck and Shoulders

(RS) At neck edge, bind off 11 sts of Front band and facing, work to end—20 (21, 22) sts remain. Work 1 row even.

(RS) At neck edge, bind off 5 (6, 7) sts once, 5 sts once, and AT THE SAME TIME, beginning next (WS) row, at armhole edge, bind off 4 sts once, 6 sts once.

SLEEVES

Note: Sleeves are worked from top down, making it easier to adjust length for individual child.

Using B, cast on 50 (52, 54) sts.

(RS) Begin St st; work even for 2 rows, end with a WS row.

Shape Cap

(RS) Beginning this row, inc 1 st each side every other row twice—54 (56, 58) sts; change to MC on second increase row, end with a WS row.

Continuing in St st, begin [Chart](#) as indicated for your size; work even for 4 rows, end with a WS row.

Shape Sleeve

(RS) Dec 1 st each side every 4 rows 7 (7, 6) times—40 (42, 46) sts remain.

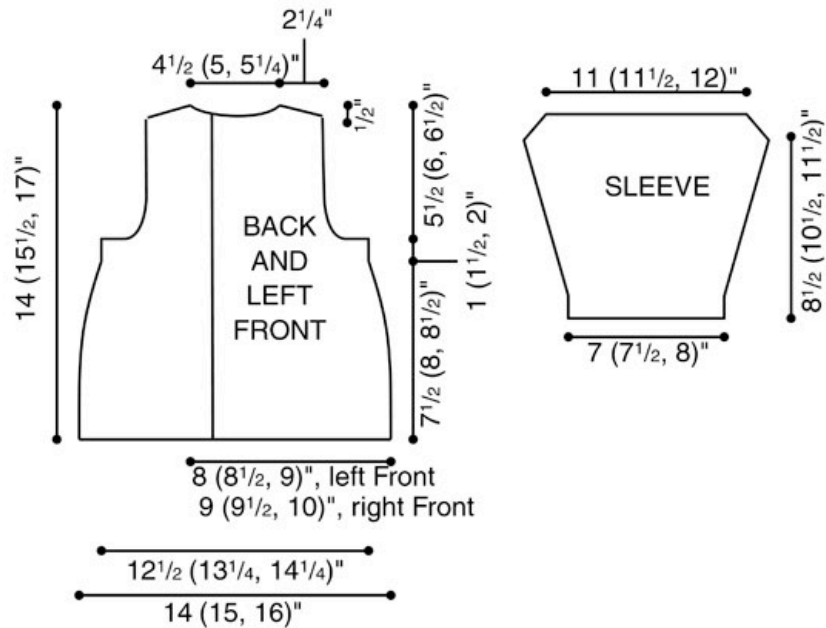
(RS) Dec 1 st each side every other row 4 (4, 5) times—32 (34, 36) sts remain

Work even until piece measures 8 (10, 11)" from beginning, or desired length.
 Change to Garter st and A; work even for 4 rows.
 Bind off all sts loosely.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Fold facing to WS; stitch neatly in place; stitch around buttonholes to reinforce.

Neckband: With RS facing, using B, pick up and knit in each bound off st around neck shaping, working through both thicknesses of right Front facing. (WS) Begin St st; work even for 5 rows.
 Bind off all sts.



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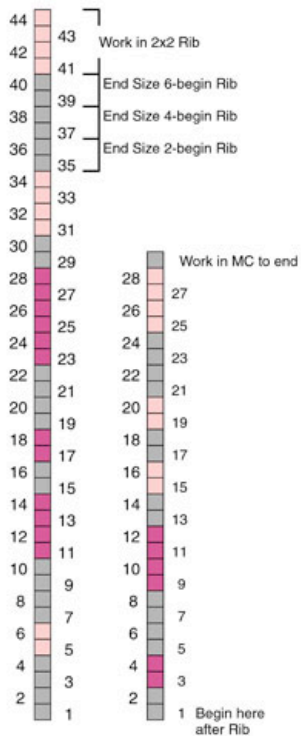
□ Knit on RS, purl on WS
in colors indicated,
except for 4 rows worked
in 2x2 rib as indicated.

■ MC - Grey Heather

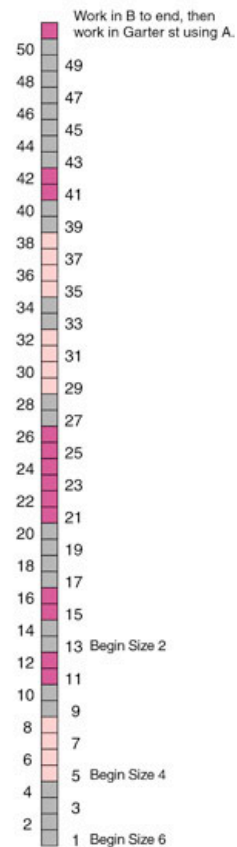
■ A - Plum Wine

■ B - Raspberry

COLOR CHART
for BACK and FRONT



COLOR CHART for SLEEVES



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