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## WOMAN'S V-NECK CARDIGAN (Coat Sweater)

### Equipment Needed:

*Yarn*—4/8 about 1 to 1½ pounds of any color not too bright.

*Needles*—two needles to fit the Red Cross Needle Gauge marked for heavy sweaters. Needles one size smaller may be used to advantage for ribbing. Gauges available from Area Offices.

*Buttons*—6.

### Scale:

5 stitches to the inch, 6 rows to the inch. Make a sample to find out how many stitches are required for you to knit an inch. If your scale is not that given here, try a smaller or larger needle until you obtain this scale. If you have to use a different size needle from that called for above, it will not in any way alter the garment provided you knit 5 stitches to the inch and 6 rows to the inch.

### General Instructions:

Always join new yarn at end of row. Never knot or splice yarn in middle of row.

These knitting directions are given as a guide. Other simple sweater instructions may be used so long as the garment is the proper size and of correct proportions. These instructions may be varied by using four needles for making the cuffs, and other changes desired by the individual knitter, so long as the finished garment is accurate.

### Measurements:

Small—Bust 32-34 inches, Length down center back, 22½ inches, Sleeve Length, 19 inches.

Medium—Bust 36-38 inches, Length down center back, 23½ inches, Sleeve Length, 20 inches.

Large—Bust 40-42 inches, Length down center back, 24½ inches, Sleeve Length, 21 inches.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING

	Small	Medium	Large	
<i>Back</i> —Cast on	84	92	100	stitches
Knit 2, Purl 2 for	3	3	3	inches
Work in stockinette stitch (knit and purl alternate rows), with the exception of the first and last 2 sts. of each row which should be knit garter stitch to form a neat seam, for	12½	13	13½	inches
ending in a purled row.				
Knit and slip on a stitch holder	8	8	8	stitches
Knit	68	76	84	stitches
Slip on a stitch holder the last	8	8	8	stitches
Work in stockinette stitch (with the exception of the first and last 2 stitches of each row) on the	68	76	84	stitches
for	6	6½	7	inches
ending in a purled row.				

\*Knit 1 row

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	Small	Medium	Large		
Next row Knit .....	2	2	2	stitches	2
Purl .....	18	21	24	stitches	24
Knit .....	28	30	32	stitches	24
Purl .....	18	21	24	stitches	24
Knit .....	2	2	2	stitches	
Repeat from * three more times, ending in a purled row.					
Next row: Knit and take off on a stitch holder ..	25	28	31	stitches	
Bind off <i>loosely</i> .....	18	20	22	stitches	
Knit .....	25	28	31	stitches	
<i>2</i> <b>Left Front</b> —Work in stockinette stitch (with the exception of 5 stitches at neck edge and 2 armhole sts. which should be knit garter stitch) for (Continue 2 sts. at armhole for border in garter stitch and the garter stitch border on the 5 sts. around neck and down entire center front including the ribbed section.)					
Then increase by knitting the front and back of the 5th stitch from the neck on each knit row until there are .....					
	2	2½	2½	inches	
<i>3d.</i> Continue in stockinette stitch with the exception of the border, until front measures .....					
	36	40	44	stitches	
from back of neck.					
Add for underarm .....	8	8½	9	inches	
	8	8	8	stitches	
Work front same as back. Bind off by knitting the knit stitches and purling the purled stitches.					
<i>4th.</i> <b>Right Front</b> —Work to correspond with left, increasing in 5th stitch from neck as before.					
When there are .....	36	40	44	stitches	
on needle, purl back to armhole. Then begin buttonholes in border as follows: Knit .....	34	38	42	stitches	
Bind off 2, knit one. On next row add 2 stitches opposite those bound off. Continue in stockinette stitch with exception of border, until front measures .....	8	8½	9	inches	
Add for underarm .....	8	8	8	stitches	
Continue right front as left with exception of buttonholes which should be made as shown above and should be about .....					
	3	3	3	inches	
apart.					
When binding off, knit the knit stitches and purl the purled stitches.					
<b>Sleeve</b> —Pick up and knit .....	70	80	90	stitches	
including the .....	16	16	20	stitches	
at underarm.					
Work in stockinette stitch for .....	4	4	5	inches	
Decrease at both ends of row every inch until sleeve measures .....	17	18	19	inches	
Take off any extra stitches in last row before starting cuff, so that you will start cuff with .....	36	40	44	stitches	
<b>Cuff</b> —Work in ribbing of K 2, P 2 for .....	2	2	2	inches	
Bind off <i>loosely</i> , knitting the knit and purling the purled stitches.					
Seam sides and sleeves. Sew on buttons and press sweater with a warm iron and damp cloth.					
<b>Chapter Label</b> —Should be sewed inside the back at top of sweater.					
Either indicate size on label or add tag showing size.					

### DIRECTIONS FOR FOLDING AND BUNDLING

Straighten sweater on table, fold sleeves inward, fold and tie securely in bundles of five. Each bundle should be marked, indicating the number of garments of each size.

**Do not start another garment with left-over yarn.  
Please return all unused yarn to Chapter.**

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