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Sizes

XS (S, M, L, XL, XXL)

Finished Measurements

Bust: 40 (44, 48, 52, 56, 60)"

[101.5 (112, 122, 132, 142, 152.5) cm]

Length: 18 (20, 22, 22, 24, 24)" [45.5 (51, 56, 56, 61, 61) cm]

Yarn

Nashua Handknits Desert Flower

(50% cotton, 43% linen, 7% nylon; 50 g = 112 yards [102 m])

10 (12, 13, 15, 16, 17) balls

Shown (from left to right) in:

NDF.3571 (chocolate raspberry) in size XS

NDF.3574 (mauve slate) in size M

NDF.3568 (dove) in size XL

NDF.3577 (berry citron) in size S

NDF.3566 (bronzed almond) in size XL

Needles and Other Materials

Knitting needles in size US 5 [3.75 mm] or size needed to obtain gauge

Stitch holders

Gauge

23 sts and 30 rows to 4" [10 cm] in St st and Diagonal Openwork Stitch.

Take time to save time, check your gauge.

Note: Some knitters may find it necessary to change to a smaller sized needle to obtain gauge in Diagonal Openwork Stitch.

PATTERN STITCHES

Diagonal Openwork Stitch

Note: St count differs from row to row. Only count sts after row 2 or row 4.

Row 1 (RS): K1, *yo, k2; rep from *.

Row 2: P1, *p3, pass first p st over the other two sts; rep from *.

Row 3: *K2, yo; rep from * and end k1.

Row 4: *P3, pass first p st over the other two sts; rep from * and end p1.

BACK

Cast on 115 (127, 139, 151, 161, 173) sts.

Work Diagonal Openwork Stitch until piece meas 3" [7.5 cm], ending with a WS row.

Change to St st and work even until piece meas 8 (10, 12, 11, 13, 13)" [20.5 (25.5, 30.5, 28, 33, 33) cm], ending with a WS row.

Shape armholes: Bind off 0 (0, 6, 12, 17, 23) sts at beg of next 2 rows – 115 (127, 127, 127, 127, 127) sts.

Cont in St st until piece meas 18 (20, 22, 22, 24, 24)" [45.5 (51, 56, 56, 61, 61) cm], ending with a WS row.

Next row: K 39 (45, 43, 43, 42, 42) sts and place these sts on holder; bind off center 37 (37, 41, 41, 43, 43) sts for back neck; k to end and place these sts on holder.

LEFT FRONT

Cast on 57 (63, 69, 75, 81, 87) sts.

Work in Diagonal Openwork Stitch for 3" [7.5 cm], ending with a WS row.

Work even in St st until piece meas 8 (10,12, 11, 13, 13)" [20.5 (25.5, 30.5, 28, 33, 33) cm], ending with a WS row.

Shape armhole (RS): Bind off 0 (0, 6 12, 17, 23) sts at beg of row, k to end. Work 1 row even.

Shape neck:

Next row (RS - dec row): K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Cont in St st working dec row every other row 0 (0, 4, 0, 4, 4) times more, then every 4 rows 18 (18, 15, 20, 17, 17) times – 39 (45, 43, 43, 42, 42) sts rem.

Work even until same length as Back to shoulders and place rem sts on holder.

RIGHT FRONT

Cast on 57 (63, 69, 75, 81, 87) sts.

Work in Diagonal Openwork Stitch for 3" [7.5 cm], ending with a WS row.

Work even in St st until piece meas 8 (10,12, 11, 13, 13)" [20.5 (25.5, 30.5, 28, 33, 33) cm], ending with a RS row.

Shape armhole (WS): Bind off 0 (0, 6 12, 17, 23) sts at beg of row, p to end.

Shape neck: Next row (RS- dec row): K 1, ssk, k to end of row.

Cont in St st working dec row every other row 0 (0, 4, 0, 4, 4) times more, then every 4 rows 18 (18, 15, 20, 17, 17) times – 39 (45, 43, 43, 42, 42) sts rem.

Work even until same length as Back to shoulders and place rem sts on holder.

SLEEVES

Cast on 115 (115, 115, 127, 127, 127) sts.

Work in diagonal openwork patt until piece meas 8 (8, 8, 9, 9, 10)" [20.5 (20.5, 20.5, 23, 23, 25.5) cm], end WS row.

Bind off all sts.

FINISHING

Return sts from front left shoulder onto one needle, and sts from back left shoulder onto another needle.

Work 3 needle bind off as follows: With right sides facing each other, insert the tip of a third needle into the first stitch of one needle, then into the first stitch of the other needle.

Knit two stitches together.

* K the first stitch from each needle together. Pass the previous st over this st. Rep from * until all sts are bound off.

Rep for right shoulder.

Sew Sleeves to body, matching center of Sleeve to shoulder seam.

Sew side and Sleeve seams.

Neckband:

With RS facing, beg at lower corner, and pick up and k 90 (100, 110, 110, 120, 120) sts (approximately 2 sts for every 3 rows) up Right Front to shoulder, 37 (37, 41, 41, 43, 43) sts along bound off edge (1 st for every st) at back neck, and 90 (100, 110, 110, 120, 120) sts (approximately 2 sts for every 3 rows) down Left Front – 217 (237, 261, 261, 283, 283) sts.

Next row: P.

Work Diagonal Openwork Stitch until neckband meas 2" [5 cm].

Last row: P and bind off all sts. Weave in ends. Block lightly.



Kimonos Left: Desert Flower in Mauve Slate (NDF.3574)
Right: Desert Flower in Berry Citron (NDF.3577)

Glossary

dec - decrease

k - knit

k2tog - k 2 sts tog as 1 st

meas - measure(s)

p - purl

rem - remain(ing)

RS - right side

Ssk - Slip, slip, knit: Slip 2 stitches knitwise, 1 at a time, insert LH needle through both stitches, knit them together from this position.

st(s) - stitch(es)

St st - Stockinette Stitch: K on the RS, P on the WS

WS - wrong side

Yo - yarn over

Desert Flower Yarns 50% Cotton, 43% Linen, 7% Nylon

NDF.3574
Maive Slate

NDF.3571
Chocolate Raspberry

NDF.3570
Pink Linen

NDF.3566
Bronzed Almond

NDF.3568
Dove

NDF.3564
Corn silk

NDF.3579
Kaleidoscope

NDF.3577
Berry Citron



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