



Dolce Tunic (Optional Slit Back)  
Using Cascade Dolce` Yarn



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## Slit Back Tunic

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Knitted Measurement 36-38 ( 40-42, 44-46 )

Length to shoulder 25 ( 26, 27 ) in.

Note when one size is indicated it applies to all sizes

Materials 7 ( 8.9 ) balls of Cascade Yarn Dolce, 55% Alpaca, 23% silk, 22% wool one pair # 8 knitting needles or size to obtain gauge, one size f crochet needle

Gauge 17 sts. & 22 rows = 4 in. in stock st. Take time to check gauge

**Back** With # 8 needle cast on 41 ( 44, 47 ) sts for one half of back, then with a 2<sup>nd</sup> ball of yarn cast on 41 ( 44, 47 ) sts for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of back. \*Working each side separately for back slit keep first & last st at each end in garter st.

Row 1 of rib patt K1 \* k3, p3 \* repeat \* to \* across row to K1, using 2<sup>nd</sup> ball of yarn repeat as for first half of back. Row 2 K the K sts & P the P sts till piece measures 5 in. from beg. Next row RS facing inc 1 st= 83 (89, 95 ) sts working in stock st & keeping 1 st each end in garter st, work across with one ball of yarn joining both sides together. Work even till piece measures 22 ( 23, 24 ) in from beg or 3 in. less than desired length to shoulder. Work in rib patt as for bottom for 3 in. Bind off.

**Front** Using one ball of yarn cast on 83 ( 89, 95 ) sts. Work as for back eliminating the slit.

**Sleeve** Cast on 59 ( 62, 65 ) sts. Work in rib patt as for back for 3 in. On WS row P across & dec 19 ( 17, 15 ) sts evenly spaced = 40 ( 45, 50 ) st. Next row inc 1 st each end keeping 1 st at each end in garter st throughout, then inc 1 st each end every 1 in. till 68 (73, 76 ) sts. Work even till sleeve measures 17 ½, ( 18, 18 ½) in from beg. or desired sleeve length. Bind off.

**Finishing** Block pieces for measurement including rib sleeve cuffs to flair out. Sew shoulder seams leaving a 10 in. opening for the neck. Work 1 row sc around back open slit. Place sleeves in place & sew sleeve & side seams.

**\*Another option without the back slit is to make the front as the back so this tunic can be made with or without a back slit**