





KNIT SKILL LEVEL **EASY**

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Fashion Soft: 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5) balls 4200

Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needles: 4 mm [US 6] 24" [61 cm]

Spare 4 mm [US 6] needle for 3-Needle Bind Off

Stitch holders Stitch markers Yarn needle

GAUGE: 22 sts = 4" (10 cm); 30 rows = 4'' (10 cm) inStockinette St. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge given.



RED HEART® Fashion Soft™. Art E845 available in 5 oz (141 g) 381 yd (348 m) balls



Short Sleeve Summer Top

Add this polished looking sweater to your handmade collection! This top is perfect for chilly offices, as well as breezy spring and autumn nights.

Directions are for size X-Small. Changes for sizes Small, Medium, Large, X- Large, XX- Large and XXX-Large are in parentheses. When only 1 number is given, it applies to all sizes.

To Fit Bust/Chest: 28 (32, 36, 40, 44, 48, 52)" [71 (81, 91.5, 101.5, 112, 123, 132)

Finished Bust/Chest Measurement: 34 (38, 42, 46, 50, 54, 58)" [86.5 (96.5, 106.5, 117, 127, 137, 147.5) cm

Finished Length: 22.5 (22.5, 23.25, 24.25, 24.75, 25.25, 25.75)" [57 (57, 59, 61.5, 63, 64, 65.5) cm]

SPECIAL STITCHES

M1L (make 1 left) = Insert left needle from front to back under strand between needles, knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole - 1 st increased.

M1R (make 1 right) = Insert left needle from back to front under strand between needles, knit strand through the front loop, twisting it to prevent a hole - 1 st increased.

s2kp (slip 2, knit, pass 2 slipped stitches over) = Slip 2 stitches as if to k2tog, k1, pass the 2 slipped stitches over the knit stitch and off the needle -2 sts decreased.

3-needle Bind Off = Hold the needles parallel and using a third (working) needle, knit into the first stitch on each of the two needles. Knit the two stitches together (the newly formed stitch will be on the working needle). *Knit into the next stitch on each needle, as before (there will be 2 stitches on working needle). Using one of the parallel needles, pass the first stitch on the working needle over the second stitch and off the needle. Repeat from * across until 1 stitch remains. Break yarn and pull through last stitch to fasten.

BACK:

Repeat Row 1, once.

Row 1 (wrong side): P1, *p3, k2; repeat from * to last st, p1. Row 2 (right side): K1, *p2, k3; repeat from * to last st. k1. Repeat Rows 1-2, 6 times.

Cast on 97 (107, 117, 127, 142, 152, 162) sts.

Eyelet Row: K1, *p2, yo, s2kp, yo; repeat from * to last st. k1. Purl 1 row.

Work in St st until piece measures 20.5 (20.5, 21.25, 22.25, 22.75, 23.25, 23.75)" [52 (52, 54, 56.5, 58, 59, 60.5) cm] from evelet row, ending with a Wrong Side

Next row (right side): K32 (37, 42, 46, 51, 56, 60) sts, bind off 33 (33, 33, 35, 40, 40, 42) sts, knit 32 (37, 42, 46, 51, 56, 60) sts.

Break yarn and place each set of shoulder sts on a separate holder.

FRONT

Work same as Back until piece measures 15.25 (15.25, 15.75, 16.25, 16.25, 16.5, 16.75)" [38.5 (38.5, 40, 41, 41, 42, 42.5) cm] from eyelet row, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Shape Neck

Next row (right side): K47 (52, 57, 62, 70, 75, 80) sts and then place these stitches on a holder for Left Front. Bind off 3 (3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2) sts, k47 (52, 57, 62, 70, 75, 80) sts. Continue to work just the Right Front only.

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SHOP KIT



Right Front

Next row (wrong side): Purl.

Decrease row (right side): K2, ssk, knit to end of row.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 (14, 14, 15, 18, 18, 19) times - 32 (37, 42, 46, 51, 56, 60) sts. Continue without further shaping until Right Front measures same as Back to shoulder, ending with a Wrong Side row. Break yarn and place shoulder sts on a holder.

Left Front

With wrong side facing, place 47 (52, 57, 62, 70, 75, 80) held stitches back on needle and join yarn.
Purl 1 row.

Decrease row (right side): Knit until 4 stitches remain, K2tog, k2.

Next row (wrong side): Purl.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 (14, 14, 15, 18, 18, 19) times - 32 (37, 42, 46, 51, 56, 60) sts. Continue without further shaping until Left Front measures same as Back to shoulder, ending with a Wrong Side row. Break yarn and place shoulder sts on a holder.

SLEEVES

Cast on 57 (57, 62, 62, 67, 72, 77) sts. **Row 1 (wrong side):** P1, *p3, k2; repeat from * to last st, p1.

Row 2 (right side): K1, *p2, k3; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Repeat Rows 1-2, twice.

Repeat Row 1, once.

Eyelet Row: K1, *p2, yo, sk2p, yo; repeat from * to last st, k1. Purl 1 row and continue in St st. Increase Row (right side): K1, M1L, knit to the last st, M1R, k1.

Repeat Increase Row every 6th row 4 (4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5) times - 67 (67, 72, 72, 77, 84, 89) sts.

Continue in St st until sleeve measures 8 (8, 8, 9, 9, 9, 9)" [20.5 (20.5, 20.5, 23, 23, 23, 23) cm]. Bind off.

FINISHING

Place shoulder stitches back onto needles and then with Right Sides facing, join shoulders with 3-Needle Bind Off.

Place markers along side edges, 6 (6, 6.5, 6.5, 7, 7.5, 8)" [30.5 (30.5, 33, 33, 35.5, 38, 40.5) cm] down from shoulder seam. Center sleeves between markers and sew in place.

Sew underarm and side seams.

NECKBAND

With Right Side facing and beginning at center front, pick up and knit one stitch in each row along right Front neck edge, one stitch in each stitch across Back neck and one stitch in each row along left Front neck edge - 125 (125, 125, 135, 150, 150, 155) sts. Place marker to indicate beginning of round.

Round 1: *K3, p2; repeat from * around. Repeat Round 1, 3 times.

Bind off in rib.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

cm = centimeters; k = knit; k2tog = knit
2 stitches together (1 stitch decreased);
mm = millimeters; p = purl; ssk = slip,
slip, knit (1 stitch decreased); st(s) =
stitch(es); St st = Stockinette stitch; yo
= yarn over needle; * = repeat whatever
follows the * as indicated.

