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Ultra Pima  
Flower Bud Tank



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**Sizes:** S (M, L, XL)

**Finished Measurements** with minimal ease

Chest at Underarm: 34 (37, 40, 44)"

Armhole depth: 7.5 (8.5, 9, 9.5)

Above Hip: 36( 39, 42, 44.5)

Finished Length: 20.5( 22, 23, 24)

## **Materials**

Cascade Ultra Pima Cotton, Color 3731(220 yards, 100% pima cotton),

Skeins: 3( 3, 4, 5) - purchase extra skein for safety.

One pair each US Size 6 (4.5mm) circular 32", US 6 (4.5mm) Dbl point needles.

Stitch markers

Tapestry needle

Stitch Holders

## **Gauge**

5 sts/ inch with US size 6 (4.5mm)

6 rows/ inch with US size 6 (4.5mm)

Please take time to block swatch and check gauge, it is very important when working with lace.

## **Notes:**

- The Flower Bud Tank fits slight above the hip, add pattern repeat prior to starting decrease in the body if you'd like a longer version.
- Blocking lace you can gain an inch in one direction, so if you need the space in the bust plan on adding a little to the bottom to compensate.
- Make sure to match YF increases to the corresponding k3tog or p3tog decreases in pattern.
- When working shaping decreasing count your stitches to make sure you have not added back your decrease in the pattern.
- When you need to keep pattern even without enough stitches, k2tog or p2tog instead of k3tog or p3tog at first and last pattern repeat.
- When possible allow the natural lace pattern to decrease on rows otherwise k2tog worked into C4F and C4B in armhole and neck shaping.
- Check gauge, it is very difficult to measure lace until it's blocked so gauge is very important.

## **BACK AND FRONT**

Knitted in the Round up to Armhole

CO 202 ( 218, 234, 250) onto US 6 double circular needles.

R1: PM join to knit in the round, knit 101 (109, 117, 125) PM, knit to end. These two markers are identify sides.

R2: Knit R1 Rose Bud Lace pattern work 101 (109, 117, 125) sts, then first stitch after 2nd marker start repeat over with K3 and continue in pattern for entire row.

Knit in Rose Bud Lace pattern in the round. Work two pattern repeats ending at R11 of pattern repeat, then start side decreases. Decrease rows worked into each side of C4F or C4B by k2tog in cable stitch with a body stitch. Decrease 1 st at each side of markers on RS, row 12 of pattern.

Work two pattern repeats decrease 1 time, then every 12 rows 3 times. -182 (198, 214, 230)sts.

work until piece measures 13(13.5, 14, 14.5)" stop after a C4F row, place front sts on st holders - 91 (99,107,115)sts.

## **BACK ARMHOLE AND NECK SHAPING**

At each side of armhole put 4 stitches on holder. These stitches will be used for C4F and C4B. They will be worked separately and trim the armhole. After the initial armhole bind off they will be joined back and worked up the side of each armhole.

### **Back Armhole Shaping**

Initial Bind Off: BO 3(3,3,3), 2(2,2,2) at armhole edge at the beginning of the next four rows. Leave sts on needle.

With US 6 Double Pointed needles put 4 sts on holder and work 4 stitch on left side of armhole. Work in stockinette stitch picking up stitches on body to join, then every 4th row, C4F, When you have worked up to the stiches on the body place all stitches on circular needles. As with left side work 4 sts on right side, every 4th row C4B. When you have worked up to body place stitches on circular needles. Work side to side continue working C4F every 4th row on the 1st 4 sts, left side of the armhole shaping, and C4B the last 4 sts on right side of armhole shaping. (This is the finishing cable trim on the armhole see note in pattern section for summary). At the same time continue with armhole decrease by decreasing 1 sts each armhole edge as follows k4, ssk, work in lace bud pattern until last 6 sts ,k2tog, k 4 every other RS row 1 (3,3,3) times, then every RS row 9,(9,11,11). - 61 (65,69,77)sts.

### **Back Neck Shaping**

Work necks shaping while continuing to decrease 1 armhole st each RS row while working neck.

Right side of back neck shaping: Starting on a RS row work in pattern to Center two stitches k2tog, knit in pattern to end of the row. Place left half on stitch holder plus 4 additional from center, these will be used to work your cable trim later. - 34( 36, 38, 42) sts on holder.

Next row (WS) Purl to center back. Then at beginning of each RS row BO 4 sts 1 time ,3sts 2(2,2,3) time, 2 sts 1(2,2,2) times.

Right side of the Neck: Take 4 stitches from neck edge from holder, join new yarn and work C4F at neck edge picking up sts at BO edge, work up until your 4 sts can be returned to main needle. And continue to work armhole decrease until 11 (11,11,13) shoulder sts remain, work in pattern ending on RS row when armhole is 7.5(8.75,9.5,10)" - put on st holders.

Join new ball of yarn and repeat neck and armhole shaping as above for left side. Use a C4B to work neck trim.

### **Front V Neck and Armhole Shaping**

RS pick up stitch from st holders-91 (99,107,115)sts.

Put 4 sts at each armhole on holders for C4F, C4B as worked for back armhole. Work initial armhole shaping.

### **Front Armhole Shaping**

Initial Armhole Shaping: BO3 (3,3,3), 2(2,2,2) at armhole edge at the beginning of the next four rows. Leave sts on needle.

With US 6 Double Pointed needles pick up 4 sts from stitch holder, work 4 sts on each side separately, C4F forward on the right side every 4th row, C4B on left side of front armhole every 4th row. This creates cable trim on armhole opening. While picking up one stitch at the body and knit together with cable trim, this will join the cable to the armhole. (This is the finishing cable trim on the armhole see note in pattern section for summary).

When you have reached the working stitches at each armhole put the 4 sts back on the needles holding the body stitches.

### **Split for front V-Neck Shaping**

Next RS row work up to center 8 sts and C8F, work in pattern to the end.

WS row work to center stitches including 4 sts from C8F, Join new skein of yarn so you can work both sides of the front together (This is easier to keep both side of the lace repeat identical).

Decrease 1 stitch at neck edge for each side every RS row.

At the same time continue with armhole decrease by decreasing 1 sts each armhole edge as follows k4, ssk, work in lace bud pattern until last 6 sts ,2tog, k 4 every other RS row 1 (3,3,3) times, then every RS row 9, (9,11,11).

Work until 11 (11,11,13) sts remain, then work evenly without decrease until armhole measures 7.5 (8.75,9.5,10)" - put on st holders.

### **Finishing**

Block front and back body to finished measurements.

Join shoulder with a 3 needle bind off.

Sew in loose yarn ends.

**Patterns:**

**Flower Bud Lace Pattern Repeat Body Knitted in the Round.**

Multiples of 8 plus 5.

Row 1 (RS): K3, \*yf, K2, K3tog, k2, yf, k1; repeat from \* to last two stitches K2.

Row 2(WS): Knit.

Repeat the last two rows twice more, modify row 6 by C4F with two stitches on each side of side markers.

Row 7: K2, P2tog, \*k2, yf, k1, yf, k2, p3tog; repeat from \* until last 9 stitches, K2, yf, k1, yf, k2, p2tog, k2.

Row 8: Knit.

Repeat the last two rows twice more, modify row 12 by C4B with two stitches on each side of side markers. This creates a cable row up each side.

**Flower Bud Lace Pattern Repeat Knitted Side to Side**

Multiples of 8 plus 5.

Row 1 (RS): K3, \*yf, K2, K3tog, k2, yf, k1; repeat from \* to last two stitches K2

Row 2(WS): Purl.

Repeat the last two rows twice more.

Row 7: K2, P2tog, \*k2, yf, k1, yf, k2, p3tog; repeat from \* until last 9 stitches, K2, yf, k1, yf, k2, p2tog, k2.

Row 8: Purl.

Repeat the last two rows twice more.

**Chart Flower Bud Lace- Knitted in the round**

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**NOTE: Back and Front, Armhole and Neck Trim is worked as follows**

R1(RS): K4 sts, lace bud pattern, to last 4 stitch knit, k4, lace bud pattern, k4.

R2: purl

R3:C4f , lace bud pattern, c4b, c4f , lace bud pattern, c4b.

R4: Purl

**Abbreviations:**

PM - Place Marker

Yf – yarn to the front cross back over needle to the back. Creates a new stitch as with a yarn over.

P3 tog – purl 3 together

P2tog – purl 2 together

K3tog - knit 3 together

K2tog - knit 2 together

C4F - Cable 4 Forward, slip 2 stitch onto a cable needle and hold in the front, knit 2 stitches from left needle then knit the two stitches from the cable needle.

C4B - Cable 4 Back, slip 2 stitch onto a cable needle and hold in the back, knit 2 stitches from left needle then knit the two stitches from the cable needle.

Front Schematic in inches

