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This trim cardigan vest is a companion piece to Cascade's Boy's Sierra V-Neck Vest. The basic pattern is the same, just the stitch pattern, the yarn and the buttons are changed. Make one of each, get creative mixing and matching the patterns and yarns. Try using your own favorite knit and purl, rib or cable pattern. Soon the young men in your life will have all the "dress-up" clothes they need.

**Materials:** 5(6, 7) skeins of Cascade Cash Vero Yarn, Pictured vest is color #10. Size US 6 16" and 24" circular needles and size 7 24" circular needles **OR NEEDLES REQUIRED TO OBTAIN GAUGE.** Stitch holders.

**Gauge:** 5 stitches to 1 inch in stockinette st with larger needle. The gauge in pattern will be tighter as you knit, but opens out to this gauge.

**Sizes:** 6 (8-10, 12) years. Picture is size 6. Instructions are for smallest size with changes in parens. If only one instruction is given, it applies to all sizes.

## Measurements:

Chest: 29"(32", 35")

Length: 16"(19", 22")

Armhole depth: 7"(8", 8")

**(Note:** to accommodate the stitch multiple, your chest measurement may not be exact but the rib pattern has so much give that it won't matter.)

**Special Abbreviation: TR** (twist stitch leaning right) insert right-hand needle into 2<sup>nd</sup> st. on left-handle needle, K this st but do NOT slip off; insert needle into 1<sup>st</sup> st, K this st and slide both sts off left needle onto right. If it is easier, sl 1<sup>st</sup> st to a cable needle, hold in back, K next st, then K st from cable needle. Either technique will result in the 2 sts being twisted with a right leaning slant.

**Spiral Rib pattern** (multiple of 7 stitches plus 4)

Row 1: K1, P2, \*K3, TR, P2, rep from \* to last st, K1

Rows 2 all even numbered rows: P1, K2, \*P5, K2, rep from \* to last st, P1

Row 3: K1, P2, \*K2, TR, K1, P2, rep from \* to last st, K1

Row 5: K1, P2, \*K1, TR, K2, P2, rep from \* to last st, K1

Row 7: K1, P2, \*TR, K3, P2, rep from \* to last st, K1

Row 8: same as 2

Repeat Rows 1 through 8 for pattern.

### **Directions:**

**Lower Body:** With smaller size 24" needles, cast on 143(150, 164) sts. Work K1, P1 ribbing for 9(11,13,)rows. Work even in Spiral Rib pattern until piece measures 9(11,14) inches from cast on edge, ending on a WS row. Divide sts for front and back: Work in pattern for 30(32,36) sts for right front, bind off 10 sts for underarm, work in pattern across 63(66,72) sts, for back, bind off 10 sts for 2<sup>nd</sup> underarm; work remaining sts in pattern for left front. There will be 30(32, 36) sts for the fronts and 63 (66, 72) sts for the back. Place sts for fronts on holders. If you are an adventurous knitter, go ahead and attach separate balls of yarn for each section and work the 3 sections together.

**Back:** Being careful to maintain pattern, dec. 1 st at each side on right side rows 5(5, 6) times. Work decreases 1 st in from edge. Continuing in pattern as established, work even until back measures 16(19, 22) inches from cast on edge. Place all sts on holder.

**Right Front:** Work as back until completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> armhole dec. Continue armhole decs to match back and **AT THE SAME TIME** dec 1 st at each side of neck edge to form V-neck (again working decs 1 st in from edge) every other row 6(7, 8) times and every 4<sup>th</sup> row 7(7, 9) times. Work even until front is same length as back.

**Left Front:** Work as for right front reversing shaping.

Place the fronts and back together rights sides facing and join the shoulder sts from fronts and back using the 3-needle bind off method. Leave the center stitches at the back neck live for

later picking up for neck border. Alternatively, the shoulder sts can be bound off the usual way and sewed together.

**Armhole borders:** Using smaller needle, with right side facing, beginning at center of bottom of armhole, pick up and knit 1 st in each of the bound off sts and 1 st in 3 out of every 4 rows up one side and down the other ending with 1 st in each of the other set of bound off sts. The number of sts doesn't matter so long as it is an **even** number. Join in the round and work 8(8, 10) rows of K1, P1 ribbing. Bind off reasonably loosely.

**Neck Border:** Using smaller needle, with right side facing, beginning at bottom right, pick up and knit 1 st in 3 out of every 4 rows up the right side of vest, knit the sts from the back neck, then knit 1 st in 3 out of every 4 rows down the left side of vest. Again, the number of sts doesn't matter so long as it is an **odd** number. (WS row) work K1 P2 ribbing, starting and ending with P1. Work 4(4, 6) rows of ribbing. Then make 5 buttonholes (by K2tog, YO) on left side of border, with first buttonhole right at the bend of the V, last one 5 rows from bottom edge and other 3 evenly spaced between. Work 4,(4,6) more rows in K1, P1 rib. Bind off reasonably loosely.

**Finishing:** No sewing needed just attach buttons opposite the buttonholes and weave in ends.