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Cascade Luna Paints Beachcomber



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This is the perfect summer sweater for casual dressing or office wear... lacy knitting on the slightly extended shoulders elevates it from a tank top while keeping it cool and breezy. The construction is unusual. Lacy saddles are knit for the shoulders, then the front and back are picked up and knit top down. At the underarm, stitches are cast on to join front to back and the rest of the sweater is knit in the round. There is no seaming and only the neckband and armbands need picking up to complete the sweater. Have fun with this easy to knit and easy to wear sweater!

YARN: Cascade Luna Paints (100% Peruvian cotton) 100g/ 164 yds 4 (4, 5, 6) skeins color #9835

NEEDLES: Straight needles size US7/4.5mm or needles required to obtain gauge below; circular needles 29" size 7/4.5mm; and 16" size 5/3.5mm. Optional: circular needle 29" size 5 (see notes).

EXTRAS:

Yarn needle

Markers

Waste yarn or st holders

GAUGE: 17 sts/ 24 rows to 10cm (4 in) over st st using larger needles

SIZES: Small (Medium, Large, XLarge).

Finished bust: 36 (40, 44, 48) ins

Finished length: 22 (23, 24, 25) ins

STITCHES Used:

Shell Lace:

Pattern graph follows knitting directions

NOTES:

1. All inc for neck and armhole shaping are worked on the wrong side using a lifted increase (inc1). To inc, insert right needle into the st below the next st on the left needle from back to front. Lift the "purl bump" onto the left needle. Purl the st just lifted then the next st on the left needle. One st increased.
2. The bottom rib is knit on the same needle as the body to provide a smooth finish without pulling the bottom of the sweater in. If you prefer the bottom band tighter, change to size 5 circular needle when Shell pattern is completed and bottom rib begins.
3. When knitting the bottom band of Shell lace, the even numbered rows will be knit since st st in the round is knit every row. On odd numbered rows, the marker will be removed at the end of each round and replaced after the last P3tog.

SHOULDERS (make 2 alike):

With larger straight needles, use a provisional cast on to cast on 27 sts . Purl one row. Beg graph with Row 1 (RS) and work 12 rows of graph twice. Place all sts on a holder or waste yarn.

BACK

Right shoulder: Holding shoulder piece with RS facing and cast on sts to your left, with larger straight needles pick up 16 (17, 18, 19) sts evenly spaced along side edge of shoulder. Purl one row. Knit one row. Inc as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P2, inc1, P to end of row.

Row 2 (RS): Knit.

Rep inc rows once more. Place 18 (19, 20, 21) sts on waste yarn or spare needle. Cut yarn.

Left shoulder: Hold rem shoulder piece with RS facing and cast on sts to your right, with larger straight needles pick up 16 (17, 18, 19) sts evenly spaced along side edge of shoulder. Purl one row. Knit one row. Inc as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P to last 3 sts, M1, P2.

Row 2 (RS): Knit.

Rep inc rows once more. Turn work and purl across 18 (19, 20, 21) sts of left shoulder, cast on 24 sts using a backwards loop cast on, slip 18 (19, 20, 21) sts of right shoulder to a spare needle and purl to end. 60 (62, 64, 68) sts

Continue even in st st until back measures 3 (2½, 2½, 2½) in from edge of shoulder panel.

Inc on next WS row as follows: P2, inc1, P across until 3 sts rem, inc1, P2.

Inc 1 st each side of every WS row 4 (5, 9, 9) times more until there are 70 (74, 84, 88) sts total on back. Knit one row and purl one row even. Place all sts on waste yarn. Cut yarn.

FRONT

Left shoulder: With RS facing and using larger straight needles, begin at armhole edge pick up 16 (17, 18, 19) sts evenly spaced along side edge of shoulder piece for left front shoulder. Purl one row. Knit one row. Inc as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P2, inc1, P to end of row.

Row 2 (RS): Knit.

Rep inc rows 4 (4, 4, 5) times more. Place 21 (22, 23, 25) sts on waste yarn or spare needle. Cut yarn.

Right shoulder: With RS facing using larger straight needles, begin at neck edge pick up 16 (17, 18, 19) sts evenly spaced along side edge of shoulder piece for left front shoulder. Purl one row. Knit one row. Inc as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P to last 3 sts, inc1, P2.

Row 2 (RS): Knit.

Rep inc rows 4 (4, 4, 5) times more. Turn work and purl across 21 (22, 23, 25) sts of right shoulder, cast on 18 sts using a backwards loop cast on, slip 21 (22, 23, 25) sts of left shoulder to a spare needle and purl to end. 60 (62, 64, 68) sts

Continue as on back until there are 70 (74, 84, 88) sts total on front. Knit one row and purl one row even. DO NOT CUT YARN.

Join front to back at underarm:

