

Techniques

Provisional cast-on (page 137), chart reading (139), three-needle bind-off (page 138).

Note

» Each half of the body is worked flat from the center outward. After joining the side seam using the three-needle bind-off method, each sleeve is worked in the round down to the cuff. The two completed halves are joined at center back with a three-needle bind-off.

LEFT HALF

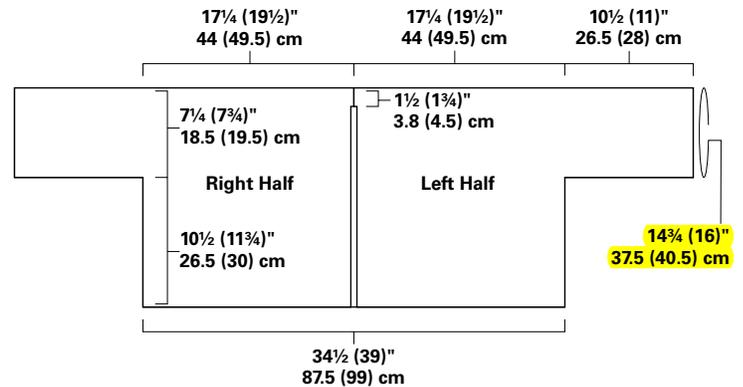
Using a provisional method and longer cir, CO 125 (137) sts. Beg and ending with a WS purl row, work in St st for 15 (19) rows. *Work Rows 1–26 of Lace chart at right, then work 14 (18) rows in St st; rep from * once more—95 (107) rows total from beg; piece measures about 17¼ (19½)" (49.5 [50] cm) from CO.

Join the Sides

Fold piece in half with WS tog and RS facing outward. Beg at the selvages (lower edge of garment), **join the first sts of each half together using the three-needle bind-off method until 51 (55) live armhole sts rem—52 (56) sts total: 1st on right needle after last bind-off and 51 (55) live sts around armhole.**

Sleeve

Place **52 (56)** sleeve sts on shorter cir. Pm between the last bind-off st and first live armhole st, and join for working in the rnd; single bind-off st will be the last st of the rnd. **Next rnd: *Yo, k2tog; rep from * to end.** Work in St st



(knit all sts every rnd) until sleeve measures 10½ (11)" (26.5 [28] cm) from side joining row. BO all sts and allow bound-off edge of cuff to roll up naturally to the RS.

RIGHT HALF

Work as for left half.

JOIN AT CENTER BACK

Carefully remove provisional cast-on from 68 (75) sts along center back edge of both pieces and place sts on longer cir. Bring the needle tips tog with WS of pieces tog and RS facing outward. Beg at lower back edge and working with shorter cir, join 68 (75) back sts of each half tog using the three-needle bind-off method.

FINISHING

Front Edge

Remove provisional cast-on from rem 57 (62) sts of each half and place all sts on longer cir for front edge—114 (124) sts. With RS facing, rejoin yarn to lower edge of right front. BO all sts and allow bound-off front edge to roll naturally to the RS.