

During the 1950s, while kids collected cereal box tops to mail away for prizes, women were embracing boxy, easy fitting jackets in highly textured wools. This version has not only the correct boxy shape but also uses an easy box stitch pattern.



*“A box without hinges, key, or lid, yet golden treasure inside is hid.”*

—J. R. R. Tolkien

#### **FINISHED SIZE**

47½ (51, 54½)" (120.5 [129.5, 138.5] cm) chest circumference. Jacket shown measures 51" (129.5 cm). Box Top is oversize (see fit guidelines on page 136).

#### **YARN**



*Shown here:* Schoolhouse Press Sheepsdown (100% wool; 85 yd [78 m]/4 oz [113 g]): Pale Gray, 9 (10, 11) skeins.

#### **NEEDLES**

Size 11 (8 mm): 24" (60-cm) and 16" (40-cm) circular needles (cir).

Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

#### **NOTIONS**

Markers (m); safety pin (optional); smooth cotton scrap yarn for holders; crochet hook size H/8 (5 mm); three 1½" (3.8 cm) buttons.

#### **GAUGE**

9 stitches and 16 rows/rounds = 4" (10 cm) in Box Stitch patterns.