

**ROUND NECK & V-NECK** 

**SIZES 24" TO 44"** 

To Fit Chest Size	in.	24 26½	26 28½	28 31	30 33	32 35½	34 37½	36 39½	38 42	40 44½	42 46½	44 49
Finished Measurement Length of Back	in.	161/2	18	21	23	24	25	26	27	28	28	281/2
Sleeve Seam	in.	11	121/2	131/2	151/2	17	171/2	18	181/2	19	19	19
Hip Size (Skirt)	in.				32	34	36	38	40	42		
Finished Length	in.				27	271/2	28	28½	29	29½		

# Raglan Sleeve Sweaters

## **Materials**

Approximately (2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) 100-gram skeins knitting worsted weight yarn. (Quantities may vary according to yarn selected.)

## Gauge 3



Use keyplate 3 with a worsted weight yarn that gives 161/2 sts and 23 rows to 4" when blocked. Read note on 'Tension Squares'.

## **Abbreviations**

st(s)=stitch(es), dec=decrease, inc=increase, beg=beginning.

#### Back

Cast on (54, 58, 64, 68, 72, 78, 82, 86, 92, 96, 100) sts Knit (49, 55, 69, 73, 73, 75, 81, 85, 87, 87, 87) rows. The carriage should finish on the right.

#### RAGLAN SHAPING

At the beg of the next two rows dec (1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 2, 2,

Then, using the 3 x 0 transfer tool, dec 1 st fully fashioned at both ends of the next row and every alternate row until (18,18, 20, 20, 20, 22, 22, 24, 24, 24, 24) sts remain. See Bk 3 Step 8. End with carriage on the right.

Thread the remaining sts onto a length of waste yarn.

#### RIBBING

Add rib to cast on edge.

Knit 12 rows for smaller sizes and 20 rows for larger sizes. See Bk 2 Step 9 & 10.

## **Round Neck Front**

Cast on and knit exactly as for BACK. Continue with raglan shaping until (34, 36, 36, 38, 40, 42, 42, 44, 44, 44, 44) sts remain. End with carriage on right.

#### DIVIDE FOR NECK

Thread onto spare yarn the middle (12, 14, 14, 12, 14, 20, 20, 22, 22, 20, 20) sts and remove them from the needles. These will form the bottom of the neck. See Bk 3 Step 2B.

Next thread all sts on left side onto a separate length of spare yarn and remove them from the needles leaving the last two sts on the left hooked on to keep the hem hanging level. Push all empty needles back to non working position.

#### **NECK SHAPING**

(Right Hand Side)

Knit 1 row

Then, continuing to dec 1 st fully fashioned at the raglan edge on the next and every alternate row, (Book 3, Step 8) AT THE SAME TIME dec 1 st at the neck edge on the next row and every alternate row. Continue until no sts remain and fasten off the yarn.

#### **NECK SHAPING**

(Left Hand Side)

Push carriage to left.

First, hook a st at completed right side armhole edge onto a

Next, hook all left side sts onto needles and pull out spare yarn leaving middle sts forming bottom of neck unhooked with spare yarn place.

Readjust hem at right side armhole edge so it hangs level. Then complete left side shaping as given for right side but in reverse.

#### RIBRING

Add rib to cast on edge as given for BACK.

## **V Neck Front**

Cast on and knit exactly as for BACK until Raglan Shaping.

#### DIVIDE FOR NECK

Thread the (27, 29, 32, 34, 36, 39, 41, 43, 46, 48, 50) sts on the left onto a spare length of yarn. See Bk 3 Step 2. Then, remove these sts from the needles leaving the last two sts on the left hooked on to keep hem hanging level. Push all empty needles back to non-working position.

#### **RAGLAN & NECK SHAPING**

(Right Hand Side)

Sizes 30" to 44"

At the beg of the next row dec (1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 7) sts at the right edge (raglan edge).

Then, dec 1 st fully fashioned at the raglan edge on the next row and every alternate row and AT THE SAME TIME dec 1 st at the neck edge on the next row and every following fourth row (i.e. every other time you dec at raglan edge) until only (-, -, -, 5, 7, 7, 7, 6, 7, 8, 8) sts remain.

Continue the raglan shaping while knitting straight at the neck edge until no sts remain.

Sizes 24" to 28"

Carry out the raglan shaping at the right edge as for larger sizes but, AT THE SAME TIME dec 1 st at the neck edge on the next row and every alternate row (i.e. in step with the raglan dec) until only (2, 4, 6) sts remain.

Then continue the raglan shaping while knitting straight at the neck edge until no sts remain.

#### **RAGLAN & NECK SHAPING**

(Left Hand Side)

Push carriage to left side.

First, hook a st at completed right side armhole edge onto a needle.

Next, hook all left side sts onto needles and pull out the waste yarn.

Re-adjust hem at right armhole edge so it hangs level.

Then, complete left side shaping as given for right but in reverse.

#### RIBBING

Add ribbing on cast on edge as given for BACK.

## Sleeves

With carriage on right, cast on (28, 33, 35, 37, 37, 37, 45, 45, 49) sts. Work 2 x 1 ribbing as for back. (Same number of rows)

Step 1. Knit straight for (8, 10, 9, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4) rows. Step 2. Inc 1 st at beg of next 2 rows.

Continue by repeating these two steps until there are (38, 43, 45, 57, 65, 67, 67, 75, 75, 77, 81) sts.

Then knit straight for (6, 5, 3, 3, 3, 1, 2, 2, 5, 5, 8) rows.

#### RAGLAN SHAPING

Dec (0, 0, 0, 2, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 7) sts at the beg of the next two rows.

Then, dec 1 st fully fashioned at *both* ends of the next row and every other row until (8, 9, 9, 11, 13, 15, 9, 19, 13, 11, 11) sts remain.

Continuing the ragian dec at the left edge, AT THE SAME TIME dec (2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1) sts on the right edge at the beg of the next row.

Then, dec 1 st every row at the right edge until no sts remain.

For second sleeve reverse the shaping.

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Add rib to cast on edge as given for BACK.

#### **Block Pieces**

#### **Neck Band**

Join three ragian edges together leaving the fourth edge between the back and one sleeve open.

With the wrong side facing, hook the sts round the neck edge onto the needles leaving every third st un-hooked. Start with neck edge stretched with the middle and two end sts hooked on. See Bk 3, Step 4.

Total sts for neckband: 50 (56, 60, 64, 68, 72, 76, 80, 84, 88, 92) Back and front.

Knit rib over 6 rows for small sizes and 10 rows for larger sizes. Cast off loosely.

For V neck, knit neck band in two parts and join at chevron-

Total stitches for each side front (28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48). For back neckband: 20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40) sts.

#### Finishing

Sew up fourth ragian edge and then the side and sleeve seams. You can use a sewing machine and zip zag st if you prefer.

## four-Gore Skirt

## **Materials**

Approximately (4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) 100-gram skeins knitting worsted weight yarn, (Quantities may vary according to yarn selected.) 2½ yds elastic cord. Tapestry needle.

## Gauge

Use keyplate 2 with a worsted weight yarn that gives 20 sts & 28 rows to  $4^{\prime\prime}$  when blocked.

Each panel of skirt is identical, reversing shaping for opposite sides. Skirt is begun at lower edge and worked up.

Beginning at lower edge, cast on (Use closed edge method for  $2 \times 1$  ribbing: Book 3, Step 3 C & D) (52, 55, 58, 60, 63, 65) sts. Work 8 rows and latch up for ribbing. Using all needles, work even, Dec 1 st right side of bed every 12 rows 15 times: (37, 40, 43, 45, 48, 50) sts. Work even for (2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12) more rows. Place every third st on a spare piece of yarn. Work even for 8 rows. Latch up sts on spare yarn (Book 3, Step 4). Make elastic bind-off (Book 3, Step 5). Sew seams. Cut 3 lengths of cord to fit comfortably around waist (Plus 1''). With tapestry needle thread through inside of skirt through ribbing and knot.

#### **GAUGE SWATCH**

To check the tension knit a swatch at least 6'' square. Pull it into shape by pulling down from top and bottom to close up the stitches. Let it rest and then press it. Measure the sts and row over 4''.

If the tension of the yarn you are using is different to the one given in the pattern, then knit a size larger or smaller as appropriate. As a general rule, if the tension is 2 sts to 4" more than that given in the pattern then knit as for two sizes larger. But, remember to check the rows to the inch and

make the necessary adjustments to the body and arm lengths to fit you.

If you are not sure what measurement will fit your size, find the actual width of knitting you need for the back. For example, if you are 36" bust then the knitting must be 18" wide plus 2" to allow for ease and seam allowance. If you multiply this by the number of sts to the inch given by your tension swatch, it will give the number of stitches you need to cast on.

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