

Dress Up Vest

This vest was inspired by one of our customers, Jean Cannon, during Christmas. As luck would have it I drew my adult niece Sundee's name for gift exchange and this vest turned out perfect for her. In fact, I have to make one for myself now. Have fun wearing this. It is so cozy.

- Carolyn

Materials:

- (A) Cascade 220 from Cascade - 2 skeins;
 - (B) Ingenua from Katia - 2 balls;
 - (C) Shimmer from Southwest - 1 cone;
 - (D) Jaeger Fur from Jaeger – 1 ball
- Separating Rhinestone Zipper

Needles:

Size 11

Gauge:

3sts/inch

Size:

41 inches finished (bust)

As always, adjust the pattern to your desired finished size.

Example: 41 inches x 3 /2 = 62 stitches for the back.

Pattern:

Reverse Stockinette (SS)

INSTRUCTIONS

Use one strand each of A, B, & C held together throughout the body of the garment.

Back

Cast on 62 sts. Work 4 row of either 2x2 rib or garter (which ever edge that you prefer). Continue in pattern stitch (SS) until length measures 12" from start or until desired length to armhole.

Shape Armhole

Bind off 3 sts at beg of next two rows, then 2 sts at beg of next two rows, and dec 1 st each side every other row twice (48 sts). Work even until armhole measures 9" or desired length.

Shoulder

Leave stitches on needle or holder for three-needle bind off.



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Right Front

Cast on 32 sts. Work 4 rows of either 2x2 rib or garter (which ever edge that you prefer). Continue in pattern stitch (SS) until length measures 12" from start or until desired length to armhole.

Shape Armhole

Shape armhole at side edge (beg of WS rows) as for back .

Shape Neckline

At neck edge: bind off 4 sts and work to end; then 2sts once, and dec 1 st every row twice (17sts).

Shoulder

Leave stitches on needle or holder for three-needle bind off.

Left Front

Work to correspond to the right front, reversing all shaping.

Finishing

Shoulder Seams - Join front and back shoulders with three-needle bindoff. Consider doing the join with wrong sides together so that there is a ridge at the top of the shoulder seam that looks really good with reverse SS.

Side Seams - Sew the side seams using mattress stitch.

Front Bands – With one strand each of A & B fibers together pick up stitches (3 stitches for every 4 rows) along front edges for front bands. Tip: With reverse SS, it is easier to pick up purlwise from the wrong side. Purl 4 rows (purl garter). Bind off with P2tog method.

Armhole Edges - With one strand each of A & B fibers Pick up stitches (3 stitches for every 4 rows) around armhole purlwise from the wrong side. Purl 4 rows (purl garter). Bind off with P2tog method.

Collar - With fiber C pick up stitches around neckline. Tip: Along the curves of the neckline pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows; along the straight of the neck back pick up 1 stitch for every stitch. Work in garter or reverse stockingette for 3 inches.

Hand sew the zipper into place.

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