



Size: UK 10 (14) - US 6 (10) - EU 36 (40)

Skill Level: intermediate

Note: figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where only one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

How much yarn: 9 (11) balls (each ball 50g and 100m) of Sestriere yarn (70% Organic Cotton, 18% Extrafine Merino Wool, 12% Baby Alpaca) shade no. 30503

Needles: A pair of 4.50mm needles

A 4.50mm circular needle

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Using needles: tubular stitch

Garter stitch (g st) - Stocking stitch (st st)

TENSION

16 sts and 26 rows measure 10cm square over stocking st with 4.50mm knitting needles. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

INSTRUCTIONS

Back: with 4.50mm needles cast on 68 (74) sts. For border, work 4 rows (= 1,5cm) in garter st. Cont to work 84 (88) rows in stocking st. Now shape hips: cont in st st, decreasing 1 st at each end, inside 2 sts, on next and every following 4th row 4 times. Cont to work in st st straight. Then, starting from 119th (123rd) row, inc 1 st at each end, inside 2 sts, every 10th row 3 times. When Back measures 57 (59)cm from beg, shape armholes: cast off

3 sts at beg of next 2 rows *, then dec 1 st at each end on next and every following alternate row 3 times. There are 54 (60) sts. When armhole measures 18 (20)cm, cast off rem sts.

Front: work as Back until *, then dec 1 st at each end on next and every following alternate row 4 times. There are 52 (58) sts. When Front measures 61 (64)cm from beg, shape neck: cast off centre 28 (30) sts, join another ball of yarn and continue separately on either side. When armhole measures 18 (20)cm, cast off rem 12 (14) sts for each shoulder.

Sleeves: with 4.50mm needles cast on 34 (36) sts. For cuff, work 4 rows (= 1,5cm) in garter st. Cont to work in stocking st, inc 1 st at each end, inside 2 sts, on 5th (1st) and every following 12th row 7 (9) times: there are 48 (54) sts. When sleeve measures 45 (47)cm, shape top: cast off 3 (4) sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end on next and every following alternate row 7 times, then every following 4th row 3 times, then every following alternate row 5 (7) times. When sleeve top measures 15 (16)cm, cast off rem 12 sts.

FINISHING

With yarn needle sew shoulder seams. With 4.50mm circular needles pick up sts around all neck-edge and work 6 rounds in tubular st for Border, then cast off grafting sts in darning st with yarn needle. Set in sleeves. Then sew sleeve and side seams.

Note: wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.