

Ginger

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YARN

	XS	S	M	L	XL
To fit bust	81	86	91	97	102
	32	34	36	38	40

Rowan Summer Tweed

	3	4	4	4	5 x 50gm
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NEEDLES

1 pair 4½mm (no 7) (US 7) needles
1 pair 5mm (no 6) (US 8) needles

TENSION

16 sts and 23 rows to 10 cm measured over stocking stitch using 5mm (US 8) needles.

Pattern note: As row end edges of neck and armhole form actual finished edges of garment, it is important these edges are kept neat. Therefore try to avoid joining in new balls of yarn at these edges.

FRONT

Cast on 62 (66: 70: 74: 78) sts using 4½mm (US 7) needles.

Beg with a K row, work in st st as follows:

Work 8 rows.

Change to 5mm (US 8) needles.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and every foll 6th row until 54 (58: 62: 66: 70) sts rem.

Work 9 (11: 11: 13: 13) rows, ending with a WS row.**

Inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 6th row until there are 66 (70: 74: 78: 82) sts.

Work a further 9 rows, ending with a WS row.

(Work should measure approx 33 (34: 34: 35: 35) cm.)

Shape armholes

Cast off 4 (5: 5: 6: 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows.

58 (60: 64: 66: 70) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, K2tog, K to last 4 sts, K2tog tbl, K1, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle (note: this loop does NOT count as a st), sl last st knitwise.

Row 2: P tog first st and the loop, P1, P2tog tbl, P to last 4 sts, P2tog, P1, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle (note: this loop does NOT count as a st), sl last st purlwise.

Row 3: K tog tbl first st and the loop, K1, K2tog, K to last 4 sts, K2tog tbl, K1, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle, sl last st knitwise.

Row 4: As row 2. 50 (52: 56: 58: 62) sts.

Last 2 rows form slip st edging and set armhole decreases.

Keeping sts correct as set, dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 (2: 3: 3: 4) alt rows. 44 (46: 48: 50: 52) sts.

Cont straight until armhole measures 18 (18: 19: 19: 20) cm, ending with a WS row.

Shape neck

Next row (RS): Patt 9 (9: 10: 10: 11) sts, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle (note: this loop does NOT count as a st), sl next st knitwise and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder.

Now working slip st edging and decreases at neck edge in same way as for armholes, cont as follows:

Dec 1 st at neck edge of next 4 rows. 6 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts.

Work 1 row.

Shape shoulder

Cast off rem 6 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts.

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, cast off centre 24 (26: 26: 28: 28) sts, K to last st, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle, sl last st knitwise.

Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

BACK

Work as given for front to **.

Inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 6th row until there are 64 (68: 72: 76: 80) sts.

Work 3 rows, ending with a WS row.

Divide for neck

Next row (RS): K28 (30: 32: 34: 36), K2tog tbl, K1, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle (note: this loop does NOT count as a st), sl next st knitwise and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder.

31 (33: 35: 37: 39) sts.

Work each side of neck separately.

Next row: P tog first st and the loop, P to end.

These 2 rows set decreases and slip st edging along neck edge.

Keeping sts correct as set, cont as follows:

Dec 1 st at neck edge of next and foll 4 alt rows and at same time inc 1 st at beg of next row.

27 (29: 31: 33: 35) sts.

Work 1 row, ending with a WS row.

Shape armhole

Cast off 4 (5: 5: 6: 6) sts at beg and dec 1 st at end of next row.

22 (23: 25: 26: 28) sts.

Work 1 row.

Working armhole decreases and slip st edging in same way as given for front, cont as folls:

Dec 1 st at armhole edge of next 5 rows, then on foll 2 (2: 3: 3: 4) alt rows and at same time dec 1 st at neck edge of next and foll 1 (3: 2: 4: 3) alt rows, then on foll 4th (-: 4th: -: 4th) row.

12 (12: 13: 13: 14) sts.

Dec 1 st at neck edge only on every foll 4th row from previous dec until 6 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts rem.

Cont straight until back matches front to shoulder cast-off, ending with a WS row.

Shape shoulder

Cast off rem 6 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts.

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts and cont as folls:

Next row (RS): K2, K2tog, K to end.

31 (33: 35: 37: 39) sts.

Next row: P to last st, pick up loop lying between needles and place loop on right needle (note: this loop does NOT count as a st), sl last st purlwise.

Next row: K tog tbl first st and the loop, K1, K2tog, K to last st, inc in last st.

Last 2 rows form slip st edging and set decreases along neck edge.

Keeping sts correct as set, complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

MAKING UP

PRESS

As there are no bands on this garment, ensure all ends are sewn in neatly.

