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Skill Level:



INTERMEDIATE

# Sarasota Cat and Mouse Sweater

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Size:

2, (4, 6)

Finished Measurements:

Chest: 26 (28, 30)"

Body length: 14 1/2

(15 1/2, 16 1/2)"

Sleeve length: 11 1/2 ( 13,

13 1/2)"

Armhole depth: 5 3/4 (6 1/4,

6 3/4)"

Materials:

- Cascade Yarns® Sarasota  
60% Cotton / 40% Acrylic
- 100 g (3.5 oz) / 314 yds  
(287.5 m)
- A-1 skein of color #216  
(Azalea Pink)
- B-1 skein of color #222 (Silver)
- C-1 skein of color  
#217 (Baby Pink)
- US 4 (3.5 mm) knitting  
needles or size to obtain  
gauge
- US 5 (3.75 mm) knitting  
needles or size to obtain  
gauge
- Crochet hook size G (4.0 mm)
- Embroidery needle
- Fiberfil
- 1/2" silver bell with shank
- 2 white 4 - holed buttons 3/8"
- 1 white 4 - holed button 1/4"
- Charcoal thread



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22 sts x 28 rows = 4" (10 cm) in stockinette stitch

**Abbreviations:**

K	= Knit
P	= Purl
RS	= Right side
St(s)	= Stitch(es)
WS	= Wrong side

**Stripe Pattern #1**

Work\* 4 rows B, 4 rows C. Repeat from \* (8 rows)

**Begin Pattern:****Back:**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 72 (76, 80) sts. Work in K1 P1 rib for 10 rows. Change to larger needles, join B and continue in St st until piece measures 14 1/2 (15 1/2, 16 1/2)" from bottom edge.

On WS, bind off 22 (24, 25) sts for shoulder, work across 28 (28, 30) sts and place on holder. Bind off remaining 22 (24, 25) sts for shoulder.

**Front:**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 72(76, 80) sts. Work in K1 P1 rib for 10 rows. Change to larger needles and work 4 rows in St st.

On RS, work across 72 (76, 80) sts Cat Chart #1.

**Note:** On RS, work all sts indicated by "X" on Chart in P st.

Follow Chart for size 2 (4, 6) Starting Row.

Follow rug shaping at sides as indicated on Chart.

**At same time:** Work until piece measures 2 (3, 4)" from bottom edge. On RS, work 34 (36,38) sts across, join B and work 12 sts of Mouse Chart, join separate ball of A and work to end. When 9 rows of Chart are complete, work 3 rows in A.

On RS, Work 25(27, 29) sts across, join C and work 23 sts of Cat Chart, join separate ball of A and work to end.



When 57 rows of Chart are complete, continue in B until piece measures 12 (13,14)" from bottom edge.

#### Neck shaping:

On RS, K 31 (33, 34) sts, join second ball of yarn and bind off center 10 (10, 12) sts. Work to end. Work both sides at once, bind off 3 sts once, 2 sts twice, then decrease 1 st every other row 2x. Work even until piece measures 14 1/2 (15 1/2, 16 1/2)" from bottom edge. On WS, bind off 22 (24, 25) sts for each shoulder.

#### Sleeves (2):

With smaller needles and A, cast on 34 (34, 38) sts. Work in K1 P1 rib for 10 rows. Join B, continue in St st and follow Stripe Pattern; increase 4 sts evenly across Row #1. AT SAME TIME: Increase 1 st each end every 6th row until 62 (66,68) sts are reached. Work even until piece measures 11 1/2 (13, 13 1/2)" from bottom edge. Bind off on WS.

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**Finishing:**

Block pieces lightly to measurements. Sew left shoulder seam.

**Neckband:**

With smaller needles and B, pick up 74 (76, 76) sts evenly around neck edge. Work in k1 P1 rib for 7 rows. Bind off on WS.

Sew right shoulder and neckband seam. Mark  $5 \frac{3}{4}$  ( $6 \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $6 \frac{3}{4}$ )" down from shoulder at each armhole edge. Sew top of sleeve at at armhole edge between markers. Sew remaining side and sleeve seams.

**For cat eyes (2):**

With embroidery needle and charcoal thread, attach buttons in an X - formation as indicated on Chart.

**For cat bow and band:**

With embroidery needle and thinner strand of A , chain stitch around bottom of cat face as indicated on Chart.

With A and larger needles, cast on 6 sts. Work in St st for  $1 \frac{3}{4}$ ". Bind off on wrong side. With strand of A, wrap tightly around center to form bow and attach through center as indicated on Chart. Sew bell on top through center of bow.

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**For cat nose:**

With crochet hook and A, form 16 st chain. Fasten off and coil chain in circle and tack down as indicated on Chart. With thinner strand of A, embroider chain st 1/4" at bottom of nose for definition, as indicated on Chart.

**For cat tail:**

With larger needles and A, cast on 5 sts. Work 2 rows. On RS row, increase 1 st at each end (7 sts). Work even in A until 6 rows from bottom edge.\* Join C and work 4 rows, work 4 rows in A. Repeat from \* ( 8 rows). Continue in Stripe pattern until piece measures 5". On RS, decrease 1 st at each end ( 5 sts). Cut strand and thread through remaining sts, pull tight and tack. Pin tail as indicated on Chart, easing in a curve. With thinner strand of A, embroider chain st around the tail, leaving opening for fiberfil to extend along tail. Close opening with chain st.

**For mouse eye:**

With embroidery needle and charcoal thread, attach button in an X - formation as indicated on Chart.

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**For mouse ear:**

With larger needles and B, cast on 3 sts. Work in St st for 2 rows. On RS, increase 1 st at each end (5 sts). Work 2 rows even. On RS, decrease 1 st each end (3 sts). P 1 row. Cut strand and thread through remaining 3 sts, pull tight and tack. With embroidery needle and thinner strand of B, form chain st around outer area of ear, leaving bottom free. Attach as indicated on Chart in whipstitch.

**For mouse tail:**

With crochet hook and B, form 2" chain. Knot end and leave 1/2" fringe. Attach as indicated on Chart.

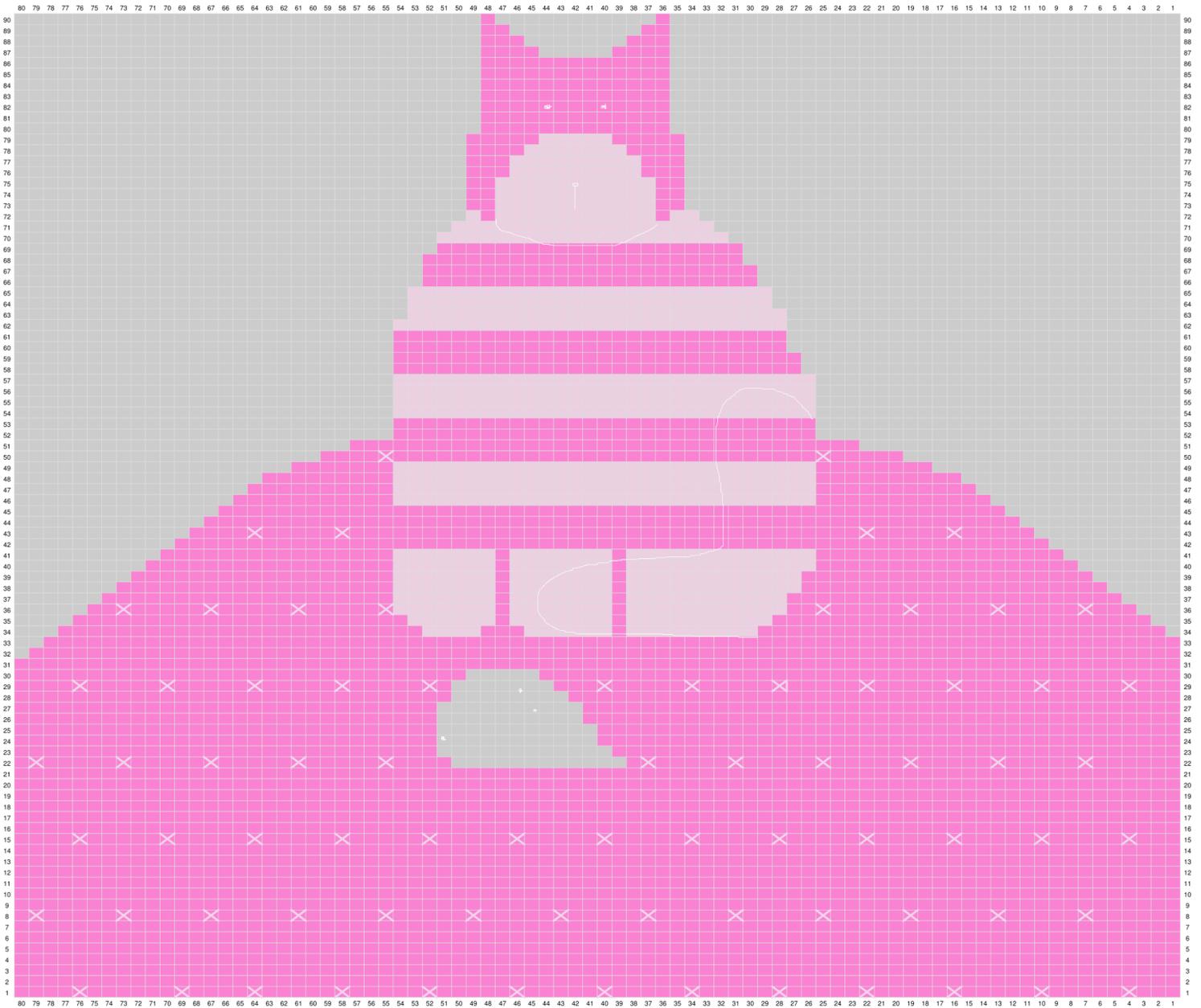


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Chart:



- A
- B
- C
- purl

Size 2 start from row 15  
 Size 4 start from row 8  
 Size 6 start from row 1