

# lyssia

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## *finished measurements:*

Bust, buttoned: 30 (32 ½, 34, 36 ½, 38, 40 ½, 42, 44 ½, 48 ½, 52 ½)" / 76 (82.5, 86.5, 92.5, 96.5, 103, 106.5, 113, 123, 133.5) cm

Length: 21 ½ (21 ¾, 22, 22 ¼, 22 ½, 23 ¾, 24, 24 ¼, 24 ¾, 24 ¾)" / 54.5 (55, 56, 56.5, 57, 60.5, 61, 61.5, 63, 63) cm

Shown in size 34" / 86.5 cm

*Intended to be worn with ± 2" / 5 cm ease.*

## *suggested yarn:*

4 (4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7) skeins Tanis Fiber Arts *Yellow Label DK Weight* (260 yd / 238 m per 4 oz / 115 g skein; 100% Superwash Merino) in Gold

## *needles:*

Size 5 US / 3.75 mm circular needles, at least 24" / 60 cm long

Size 3 US / 3.25 mm needles, at least 16" / 40 cm long

*Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.*

## *notions:*

12 (12, 12, 12, 12, 12, 12, 12, 13, 13) buttons 5/8" / 15 mm diameter, stitch markers, cable needle, stitch holders, tapestry needle, sewing needle and thread

## *gauge:*

20 sts and 30 rows = 4" / 10 cm over reverse Stockinette stitch using larger needles

*To save time and to ensure accurate sizing, check gauge.*

## NOTES

This cardigan is worked in one piece from the hem to the armhole then each front and the back are worked independently. The garter stitch button band is worked simultaneously with the rest of the garment. Shoulder stitches are put on hold and joined with a three-needle bind-off. Then neckline stitches are picked up, worked for a row, and bound off to finish the neckline. The sleeves are worked flat, seamed, and set into the garment. For this particular pattern, row and stitch gauge both matter, as motifs are placed based on their size and distance from garment way-points. Length and row counts are both given. If your row gauge is substantially different than indicated, your motifs will be a different height and their placement may need to be adjusted.

Decrease at armholes, neckline and sleeve caps as follows. Note that decreases may appear at beginning and end of same row. All rows are worked in reverse Stockinette stitch.

At the beginning of RS rows: P2tog, work as indicated to end.

At the end of RS rows: Work to last 2 sts, ssp.

At the beginning of WS rows: Ssk, work as indicated to end.

At the end of WS rows: Work to last 2 sts, k2tog.

## STITCH GUIDE

Reverse Stockinette Stitch (rev St st)

RS rows: Purl.

WS rows: Knit.

Garter Stitch

All rows: Knit.

## BODY

Border

With larger needle, CO 155 (167, 175, 187, 195, 207, 215, 227, 247, 267) sts.

Place markers 40 (43, 45, 48, 50, 53, 55, 58, 63, 68) sts in from each end to mark side "seams".

Work in garter st for 2 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3) / 5 (5, 5, 5, 5, 7.5, 7.5, 7.5, 7.5, 7.5) cm, ending with a WS row.

These rows will not be included in subsequent row counts.

Work remainder of body to armholes as follows:

RS (odd numbered rows): K5, purl to last 5 sts, working butterfly motifs as indicated, k5.

WS (even numbered rows): K5, knit the knits and purl the purls, k5.

See sidebar on page 3 for placement of butterfly motifs.

AT THE SAME TIME, work buttonholes:

Starting on the 6th (6th, 6th, 6th, 6th, 6th, 6th, 6th, 2nd, 2nd) row after border, and then every following 8th row, work buttonholes at beginning of RS rows as follows:

K2, k2tog, yo, k1, work in patt to end.

Work 92 rows total, not including border, in patt or until garment measures about 14 ¼ (14 ¼, 14 ¼, 14 ¼, 15 ¼, 15 ¼, 15 ¼, 15 ¼,

15 ¼" / 36 (36, 36, 36, 36, 38.5, 38.5, 38.5, 38.5, 38.5) cm from CO edge.

### Divide Back and Fronts

Row 93 (RS): \* Work in patt to 1 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4) st(s) before marker, BO 2 (4, 4, 4, 4, 6, 6, 6, 8, 8) sts; rep from \* one more time, work in patt to end of row.

39 (41, 43, 46, 48, 50, 52, 55, 59, 64) sts in each Front.

73 (77, 81, 87, 91, 95, 99, 105, 113, 123) sts in Back.

Place Right Front and Back on holders.  
Continue on Left Front only.

### LEFT FRONT

Maintain patt, continuing to place butterfly motifs in accordance with sidebar on page 3.

NOTE: Front neck shaping begins before armhole shaping is complete. Please read ahead.

### Shape armholes

Dec 1 st at armhole edge every row 0 (0, 0, 0, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5) times, then every RS row 5 (6, 7, 8, 6, 7, 8, 8, 10, 11) more times.

AT THE SAME TIME, beginning on Row 102 (102, 102, 102, 102, 102, 102, 104, 104, 104), or when front edge measures about 15 ½ (15 ½, 15 ½, 15 ½, 15 ½, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¾, 16 ¾)" / (39.5, 39.5, 39.5, 39.5, 41.5, 41.5, 41.5, 42.5, 42.5) cm from CO edge, shape front neck.

### Shape front neck

Next row (WS): BO 8 (8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10, 10, 10) sts, work to end.

Cease working the 5-st garter st button band.

Dec 1 st at neck edge every row 7 (7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 7, 7, 7, 7) times.

When armhole and neck shaping are complete, 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24, 26, 28, 31) sts remain.

Work even through Row 141 (143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 159, 159), or until armhole measures about 6 ½ (6 ¾, 7, 7 ¼, 7 ½, 7 ¾, 8, 8 ¼, 8 ¾, 8 ¾)" / 16.5 (17, 18, 18.5, 19, 19.5, 20.5, 21, 22, 22) cm.

### Shape shoulders

Row 1 (WS): Work to last 6 (6, 7, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 10) sts, w&ct.

Row 2 (RS): Work to end.

Row 3: Work to last 13 (14, 14, 15, 16, 16, 16, 18, 19, 21) sts, w&ct.

Row 4: Work to end.

Row 5: Knit to end, knitting wraps together with the wrapped sts as you come to them.

Place sts on holder.

### RIGHT FRONT

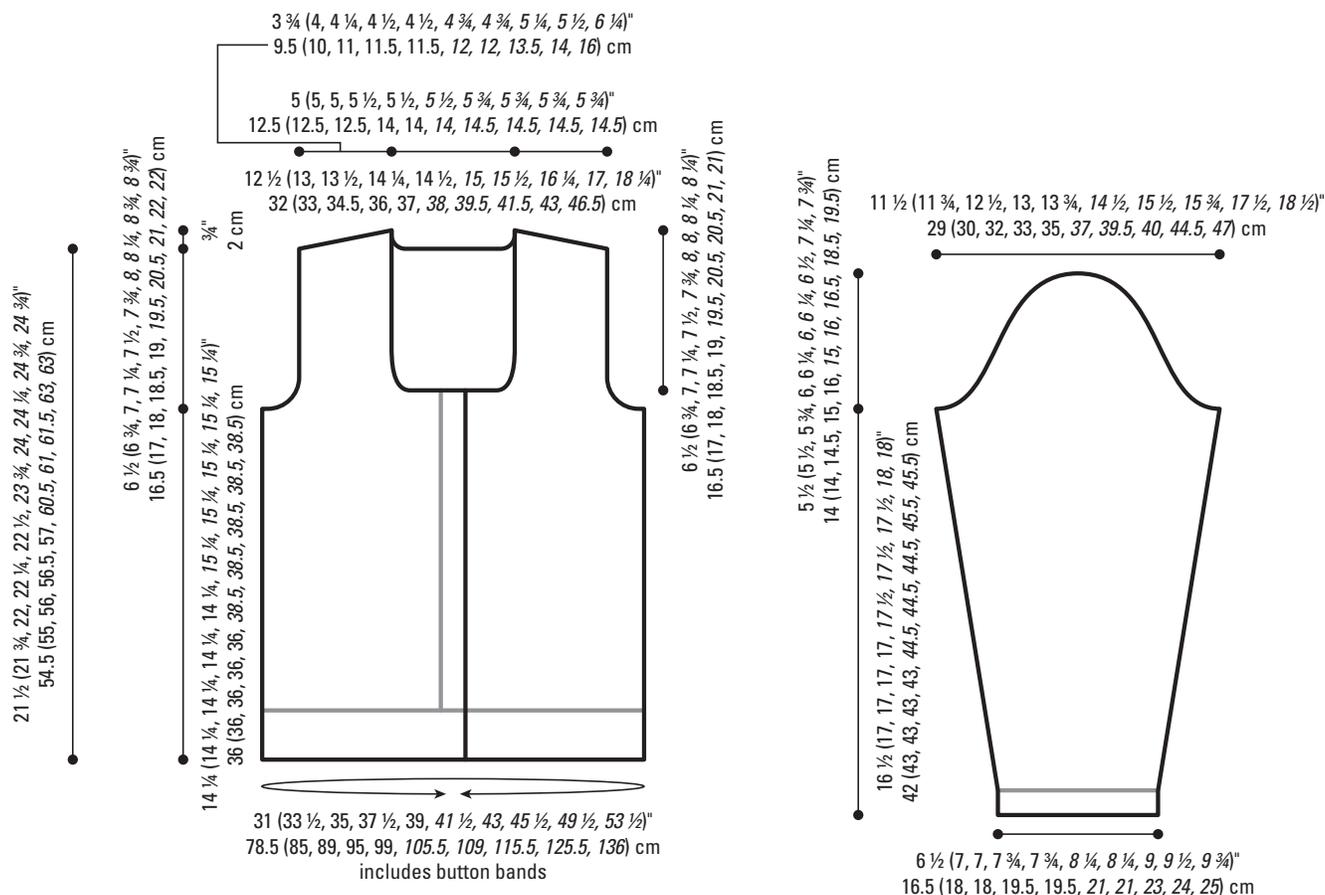
Rejoin yarn to Right Front sts at armhole edge. Continue in rev St st.

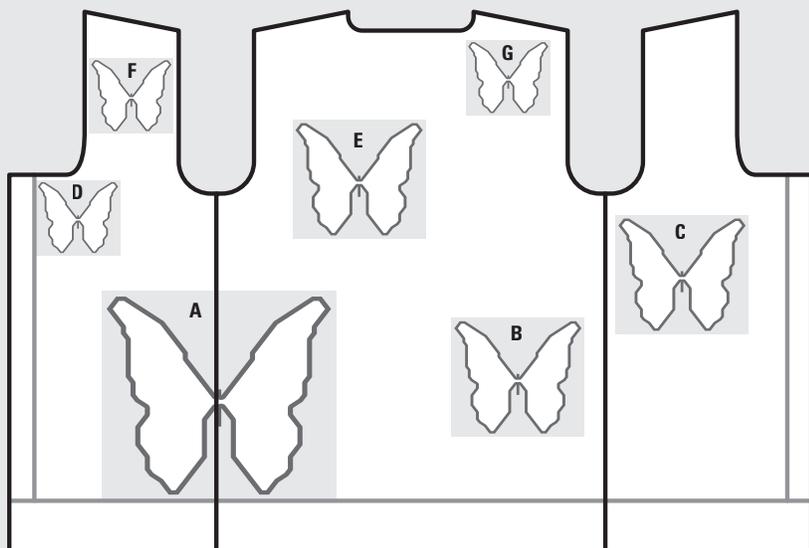
NOTE: Front neck shaping begins before armhole shaping is complete. Please read ahead.

### Shape armholes

Dec 1 st at armhole edge every row 0 (0, 0, 0, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5) times, then every RS row 5 (6, 7, 8, 6, 7, 8, 8, 10, 11) more times.

AT THE SAME TIME, beginning on Row 103 (103, 103, 103, 103, 103, 103, 105, 105, 105), or when front edge measures about 15 ½ (15 ½, 15 ½, 15 ½, 15 ½, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¼, 16 ¾, 16 ¾)" / (39.5, 39.5, 39.5, 39.5, 41.5, 41.5, 41.5, 42.5, 42.5) cm from CO edge, shape front neck.





## motif placement

### A: LARGE BUTTERFLY

Start on row 1 [0" / 0 cm from top of border]

Begin Chart 25 sts to the right of left side "seam"

### B: MEDIUM BUTTERFLY

Start on row 19 [2 1/2" / 6.5 cm from top of border]

Begin Chart 6 sts to the left of right side "seam"

### C: MEDIUM BUTTERFLY

Start on row 43 [5 3/4" / 14.5 cm from top of border]

Begin Chart 32 sts to the right of right side "seam"

### D: SMALL BUTTERFLY

Start on row 77 (77, 77, 77, 77, 77, 77, 79, 81, 79) [10 1/4 (10 1/4, 10 1/4, 10 1/4, 10 1/4, 10 1/4, 10 1/4, 10 1/2, 10 3/4, 10 1/2)" / 26 (26, 26, 26, 26, 26, 26, 26.5, 27.5, 26.5) cm from top of border]

Begin Chart 17 sts to the right of garter st button band

### E: MEDIUM BUTTERFLY

Start on row 85 (85, 85, 85, 85, 85, 85, 87, 89, 87) [11 1/4 (11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/4, 11 1/2, 11 3/4, 11 1/2)" / 28.5 (28.5, 28.5, 28.5, 28.5, 28.5, 28.5, 29, 30, 29) cm from top of border]

Begin Chart 39 (41, 42, 44, 45, 47, 49, 51, 54, 57) sts to the right of left side "seam"

### F: SMALL BUTTERFLY

Start on row 105 (107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 121) [13 3/4 (14, 14 1/4, 14 1/2, 14 3/4, 15, 15 1/4, 15 1/2, 16, 16)" / 35 (35.5, 36, 37, 37.5, 38, 38.5, 39.5, 40.5, 40.5) cm from the top of border]

Begin Chart 18 (19, 19, 20, 20, 21, 21, 22, 23, 24) sts to the right of left neck edge

### G: SMALL BUTTERFLY

Start on row 115 (117, 119, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 131, 131) [15 (15 1/4, 15 1/2, 15 3/4, 16, 16 1/4, 16 1/2, 16 3/4, 17 1/4, 17 1/4)" / (38.5, 39.5, 40, 40.5, 41.5, 42, 42.5, 44, 44) cm from the top of border]

Begin Chart 1 (2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6, 7)

st(s) to the left of back right armhole.

### Shape front neck

Next row (RS): BO 8 (8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10, 10, 10) sts, work to end.

Cease working the 5-st garter st button band

Dec 1 st at neck edge every row 7 (7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 7, 7, 7, 7) times.

When armhole and neck shaping are complete, 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24, 26, 28, 31) sts remain.

Work even through Row 142 (144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 160, 160), or until armhole measures about 6 1/2 (6 3/4, 7, 7 1/4, 7 1/2, 7 3/4, 8, 8 1/4, 8 3/4, 8 3/4)" / 16.5 (17, 18, 18.5, 19, 19.5, 20.5, 21, 22, 22) cm.

### Shape shoulders

Row 1 (RS): Work to last 6 (6, 7, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 10) sts, w&ct.

Row 2 (WS): Work to end.

Row 3: Work to last 13 (14, 14, 15, 16, 16, 16, 18, 19, 21) sts, w&ct.

Row 4: Work to end.

Row 5: Purl to end, purling wraps together with the wrapped sts as you come to them.

Place sts on holder.

### BACK

Join yarn to Back at left armhole edge.

Maintain patt, continuing to place butterfly motifs in accordance with sidebar to the left.

### Shape armholes

Dec 1 st at each armhole edge every row 0 (0, 0, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5) times, then every RS row 5 (6, 7, 8, 6, 7, 8, 8, 10, 11) more times. 63 (65, 67, 71, 73, 75, 77, 81, 85, 91) sts.

Work even in patt for 38 (38, 38, 38, 41, 41, 41, 41, 42, 38) rows, or until armhole measures about 6 1/2 (6 3/4, 7, 7 1/4, 7 1/2, 7 3/4, 8, 8 1/4, 8 3/4, 8 3/4)" / 16.5 (17, 18, 18.5, 19, 19.5, 20.5, 21, 22, 22) cm.

### Shape back neck and shoulders

Row 1 (RS): Work 23 (24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28, 30, 32, 35) sts in patt, join another ball of yarn and BO center 17 (17, 17, 19, 19, 19, 21, 21, 21, 21) sts, work in patt to end.

Work both sides at the same time, with separate balls of yarn.

Row 2 (WS): Work to 2 sts before neck edge, k2tog; on other side, ssk, work to last 6 (6, 7, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 10) sts, w&ct.

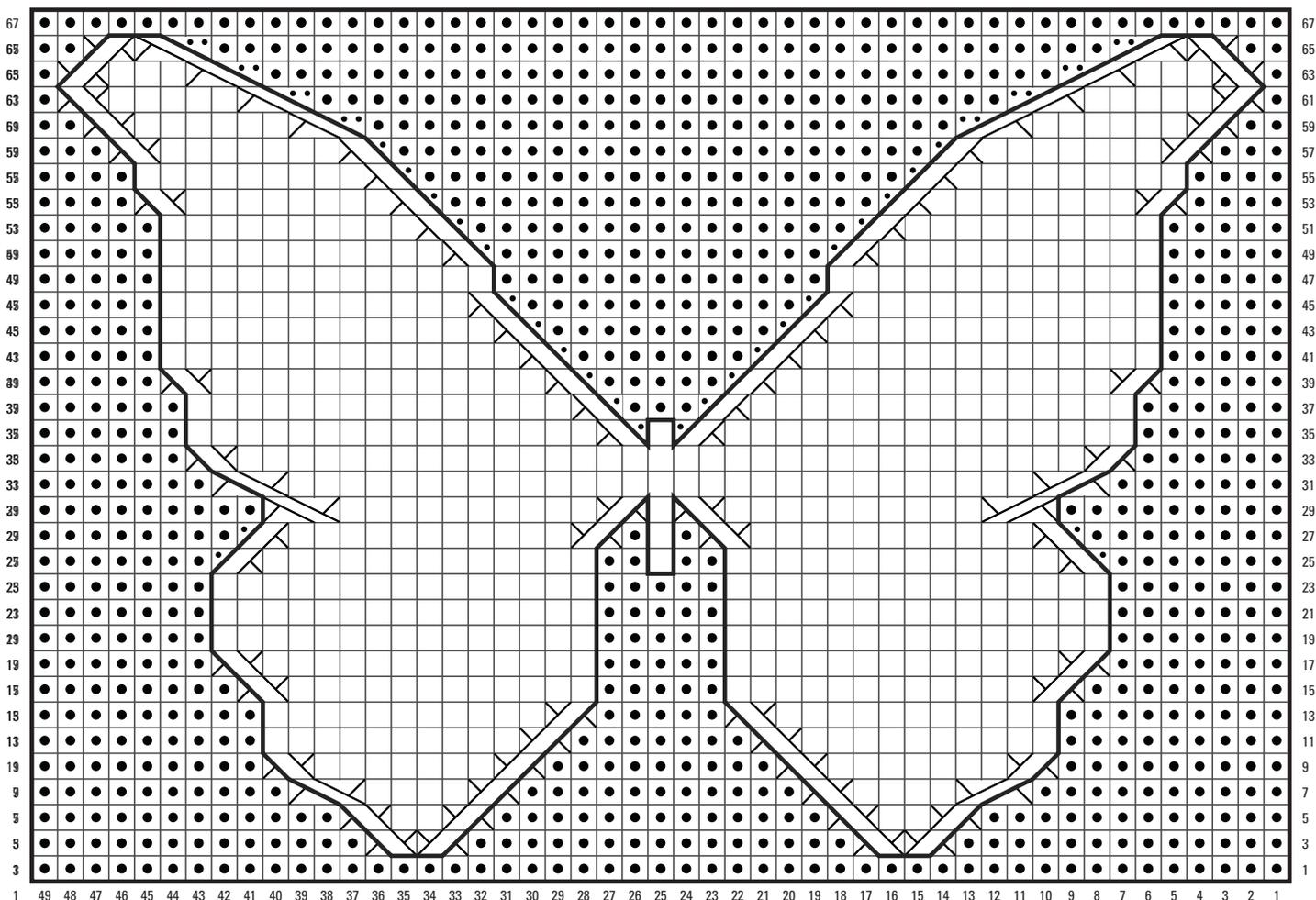
Row 3: Work to 2 sts before neck edge, ssp; on other side, p2tog, work to last 6 (6, 7, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, 9, 10) sts, w&ct.

## abbreviations

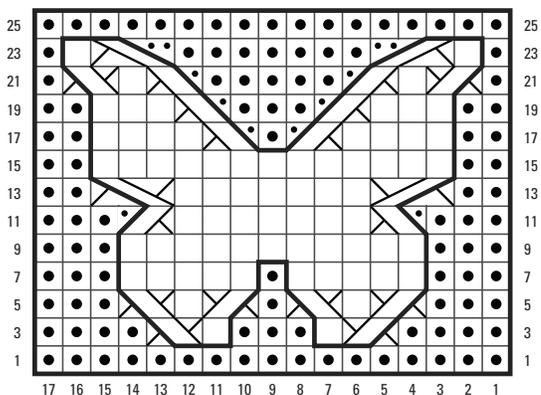
BO	Bind Off		
CO	Cast On		knit on RS, purl on WS
dec(s)(d)	decrease(s)(d)		
k	knit		purl on RS, knit on WS
k2tog	knit two together (right-slanting decrease)		
m1	make 1 stitch: Insert left needle, from front to back, under strand of yarn which runs between next stitch on left needle and last stitch on right needle; knit this stitch through back loop. 1 stitch increased.		c2r: cable 2 right. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to back of work, knit next st, knit st from cable needle.
m1p	make 1 stitch purlwise: Insert left needle, from front to back, under strand of yarn which runs between next stitch on left needle and last stitch on right needle; purl this stitch through back loop. 1 stitch increased.		c2l: cable 2 left. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to front of work, knit next st, knit st from cable needle.
p	purl		t2b: twist 2 back. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to back of work, knit next st, purl st from cable needle.
p2tog	purl two together (left-slanting decrease)		t2f: twist 2 front. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to front of work, purl next st, knit st from cable needle.
patt	pattern		
rev St st	reverse Stockinette stitch		
RS	Right Side		
ssk	slip, slip knit: slip 2 stitches individually as if to knit, then knit those 2 stitches together through the back loops (left-slanting decrease)		c3r: cable 3 right. Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold to back of work, knit next st, knit sts from cable needle.
ssp	slip slip purl: slip 2 stitches individually as if to knit, then purl those 2 stitches together through the back loops (right-slanting decrease)		c3l: cable 3 left. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to front of work, knit next 2 sts, knit st from cable needle.
st(s)	stitch(es)		t3b: twist 3 back. Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold to back of work, knit next st, purl sts from cable needle.
St st	Stockinette stitch		
w&t	wrap and turn. Bring yarn to front of work between needles, slip next stitch to right needle, bring yarn around this stitch to back of work, slip stitch back to left needle, turn work to begin working back in the other direction.		t3f: twist 3 front. Slip next st to cable needle and hold to front of work, purl next 2 sts, knit st from cable needle.
WS	Wrong Side		
yo	yarn over		

NOTE: Charts show RS rows only. Read charts from right to left.  
 For WS rows, work all sts as they appear, knitting the knit sts and purling the purl sts.

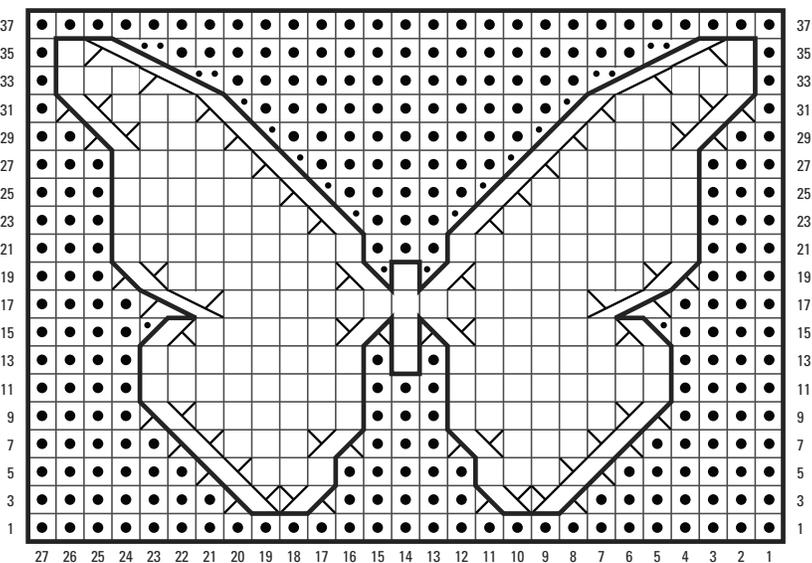
Large Butterfly



Small Butterfly



Medium Butterfly





Row 4: Work to 2 sts before neck edge, k2tog; on other side, ssk, work to last 13 (14, 14, 15, 16, 16, 16, 18, 19, 21) sts, w&t.

Row 5: Work to 2 sts before neck edge, ssp; on other side, p2tog, work to last 13 (14, 14, 15, 16, 16, 16, 18, 19, 21) sts, w&t.

Row 6: Work to neck edge; on other side, work to end, knitting wraps together with the wrapped sts as you come to them.

Row 7: Work to neck edge; on other side, work to end, purling wraps together with the wrapped sts as you come to them.

Place 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24, 26, 28, 31) sts remaining on each side on holders.

#### SLEEVES

With larger needle, CO 33 (35, 35, 39, 39, 41, 41, 45, 47, 49) sts.

Work in garter st for 1" / 2.5 cm, ending with a WS row.

These rows will not be included in subsequent row counts.

Continue sleeve in rev St st.

#### Right sleeve only

Butterfly motif is worked at the same time as sleeve shaping. Please read ahead.

Next row (RS): P8 (9, 9, 11, 11, 12, 12, 14, 15, 16), work Row 1 of Small Butterfly chart, p8 (9, 9, 11, 11, 12, 12, 14, 15, 16).

Continue working Small Butterfly chart until complete, working sleeve shaping at the same time.

#### Both sleeves

Increase rows are worked as follows: Work 2 sts in patt, m1 or m1p as needed to maintain pattern, work to last 2 sts, m1 or m1p as needed to maintain patt, work to end.

Work Increase row every 9th (9th, 8th, 8th, 7th, 7th, 6th, 6th, 5th, 5th) row 11 (7, 13, 4, 7, 16, 14, 7, 4, 16) times, then every 10th (10th, 9th, 9th, 8th, 0, 7th, 7th, 6th, 6th) row 1 (5, 1, 9, 8, 0, 4, 10, 16, 6) time(s). 57 (59, 63, 65, 69, 73, 77, 79, 87, 93) sts.

Work 8 rows even. 117 (121, 121, 121, 121, 120, 120, 120, 124, 124) rows excluding sleeve border or until sleeve measures 16 ½ (17 ¼, 17 ¼, 17 ¼, 17 ¼, 17, 17, 17, 17 ½, 17 ½)" / 42 (43.5, 43.5, 43.5, 43.5, 43, 43, 43, 44.5, 44.5) cm from CO edge.

#### Shape cap

BO 2 (3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of next 2 rows.



Dec 1 st at beginning and end of every 3rd row 1 (2, 0, 2, 0, 6, 4, 4, 2, 0) time(s), then every RS row 16 (15, 19, 16, 20, 10, 14, 15, 20, 25) times. 19 (19, 19, 23, 23, 33, 33, 33, 33, 33) sts; 37 (38, 40, 40, 42, 40, 42, 44, 48, 52) rows in cap.

BO 2 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3) sts at the beginning of next 4 (4, 4, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6) rows. BO remaining 11 (11, 11, 11, 11, 15, 15, 15, 15, 15) sts.

## FINISHING

Block pieces to finished measurements.

Join shoulder seams with three-needle BO.

### Neck edging

Using smaller needles, with RS facing and starting at top of Right Front buttonhole band, pick up and knit 1 st for each bound off st and 3 sts for every 4 rows around neck edge.

Next row (WS): Knit.

BO knitwise with firm enough tension to support the weight of the garment, but not so firm that it causes the neck to pucker. Sew sleeve seams. Set sleeves to armholes, placing the sleeve with the butterfly into the right (as worn) armhole.

Weave in ends.

Sew buttons to button band to correspond with buttonholes.



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