



V-Neck Chokki

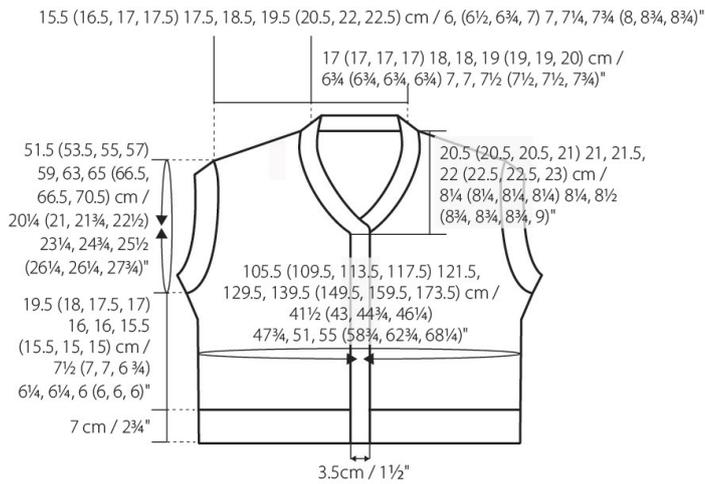
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The 'V-neck Chokki' is a relaxed-fit drop shoulder vest worked from the top down. I incorporated a compact, shallow V-neck and a relaxed silhouette. The term 'Chokki' means 'vest' in Japanese and has a retro vibe.

To start, the back shoulder is worked, with short-row shoulder shaping, to the underarm. Stitches for the front are picked up from the back shoulders, and both of the fronts are worked flat while shaping the neck, and joined to the back at the underarm, to be worked seamlessly to the hem. The armhole borders are worked from stitches picked up around the armholes and worked in the round in ribbing. Finally, stitches are picked up along the fronts and neck and the 1x1 rib button band is worked as you go.

You can choose from three types of buttonholes, and the body length can be adjusted to your preference (note that this may affect the required yarn amount and number of buttons needed). Designed for versatility, you can wear it unbuttoned over a T-shirt or buttoned up under a coat like a suit vest. It's a practical addition to any wardrobe.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS



TECHNIQUES USED IN THIS PATTERN - List of YouTube videos:

Backward Loop Cast-On: <https://youtu.be/oEH2tFmTuls>

Cable Cast-On: <https://youtu.be/KyBrjAtF868>

German short rows: <https://youtu.be/hsiM8RjFByQ>

K2tog: <https://youtu.be/iB77TyGXHLY>

M1L: https://youtu.be/_Gv3K5woON0

M1LP: <https://youtu.be/OzK7iVEkUyo>

M1R: <https://youtu.be/nkN8Fs1wH-4>

M1RP: <https://youtu.be/664vs6JXUUG>

P2tog: <https://youtu.be/MIRoWZmBFi8>

P3tog: <https://youtu.be/-FfOxA5FsW4>

1/1 LPC: <https://youtu.be/L0IG6d6zuCU>

SI: <https://youtu.be/70F9MFHZ9fU>

SI knitwise: <https://youtu.be/CGcHREg5Ccs>

ssk: <https://youtu.be/igq0tyKBWcc>

Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib (flat, k1 at both ends):

<https://youtu.be/4CxEUUrO9wM>

Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib (in the round):

https://youtu.be/2TruK_eArqw

Tubular Bind-Off for 1x1 Rib with the button band edge:

<https://youtu.be/py1qVku6nsU>

Tubular Cast-On for 1x1 Rib with waste yarn:

https://youtu.be/2KY_G-Rdw3s

How to pick up sts for a buttons band:

<https://youtu.be/4nwFTqng8Q>

How to work a button band: <https://youtu.be/2rrJo27b7J0>

How to close the gap between the button band and the body:

<https://youtu.be/jY0RiVbyoRk>

How to make buttonhole: <https://youtu.be/61sOIODwu2Y>

How to make vertical buttonhole: https://youtu.be/E_mpbWVOHYg

ABBREVIATIONS

1/1 LPC= One Over One Left Purl Cross

BO = Bind-Off

BOR = Beginning of round

CO = Cast-On

dec('d) = Decrease(d)

DS = Double sts made in relation to the German short rows technique.

inc('d) = Increase(d)

k = Knit

k2tog = Knit 2 sts together [1 st decreased]

m = Marker

M1L = Make 1 left. Insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st, k lifted strand through the back loop. [1 st increased]

M1LP = Make 1 purl left. Insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st, purl lifted strand through the back loop. [1 st increased]

M1R = Make 1 right. Insert left needle from back to front under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st, k lifted strand through the front loop. [1 st increased]

M1RP = Make 1 purl right. Insert left needle from back to front under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st, purl lifted strand through the front loop. [1 st increased]

p = Purl

p2tog = Purl 2 sts together [1 st decreased]

p3tog = Purl 3 sts together [2 st decreased]

pm = Place marker

rep = Repeat

rnd (s) = Round(s)

rm = Remove marker

RS = Right side of work

SI = Slip st as if to purl

SI knitwise = Slip st as if to knit

sm = Slip marker

ssk = Slip, slip, knit (slip 2 sts knitwise one at a time, then knit 2 sts together through back loop). [1 st decreased]

st (s) = Stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

WS = Wrong side of work

SIZES & FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

1 (2, 3, 4) 5, 6, 7 (8, 9, 10)

Bust circumference: 105.5 (109.5, 113.5, 117.5) 121.5, 129.5, 139.5 (149.5, 159.5, 173.5) cm / 41½ (43, 44¾, 46¼) 47¾, 51, 55 (58¾, 62¾, 68¼)"

Armhole circumference: 51.5 (53.5, 55, 57) 59, 63, 65 (66.5, 66.5, 70.5) cm / 20¼ (21, 21¾, 22½) 23¼, 24¾, 25½ (26¼, 26¼, 27¾)"

These measurements can be achieved only with the correct gauge. Suggested ease is approx. 15-25 cm / 6-9¾". Please select the size that gives you the desired ease based on the finished measurements.

The model is 162 cm / 5'4" tall and wearing a size 2, with approx. 24 cm / 9½" ease in the bust.

GAUGE

20 sts and 28 rows = 10 cm / 4" in stockinette stitch with US 6 / 4 mm needle, after blocking.

11 sts and 28 rows = 3.5 cm / 1¾" and 10 cm / 4" in 1x1 ribbing with US 4 / 3.5 mm needles, stretched vertically, after blocking.

YARN

DK weight yarn

670 (680, 710, 730) 750, 800, 860 (910, 950, 1020) m / 728 (742, 770, 798) 812, 868, 938 (994, 1036, 1106) yds

The size 2 sample required 6 skeins of Isager "Jensen Yarn" (125 m / 137 yds per 50 g skein), color: 96.

You need to pull yarn to finish button band neatly.

Please use a sturdy yarn that does not break easily when pulled.

NEEDLES

US 6 / 4 mm circular needles, 80 cm / 32" or longer.

US 4 / 3.5 mm circular needles or two sizes smaller than main needles, 80 cm / 32" or longer **AND** needles suitable for working small circumferences in the round for rib borders.

One US 4 / 3.5 mm double-pointed needle.

OTHER MATERIALS

4 buttons of any size (sample buttons are 23 mm / 1" diameter. If you make the body longer, you might need more buttons. FYI: The sample has approx. 9.6 cm / 3¾" intervals between buttons), sewing thread and needle for attaching buttons, a small amount of smooth yarn of the similar weight or slightly thicker than the project yarn for Tubular Cast-On for 1×1 rib, tapestry needle, stitch markers, removable markers, waste yarn.

INSTRUCTIONS

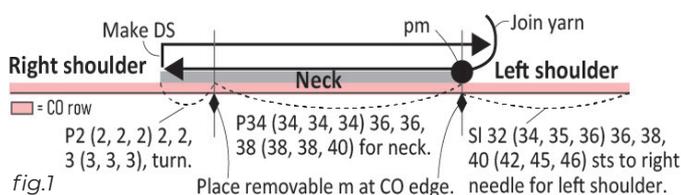
BACK SHOULDER SHORT ROWS

Using Cable Cast-On and US 6 / 4 mm needles, CO 98 (102, 104, 106) 108, 112, 118 (122, 128, 132) sts, break yarn leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long.

Note: Shape the back shoulder using German short rows. The removable markers placed in the next row should stay on the CO row until the start of the fronts.

Set-up row & Short row (WS): SI 32 (34, 35, 36) 36, 38, 40 (42, 45, 46) sts to right needle for left shoulder, place a stitch m on the right needle and place a removable m to the CO edge for picking up front sts later, join new yarn, p34 (34, 34, 34) 36, 36, 38 (38, 38, 40) for neck, place a removable m at CO edge, p2 (2, 2, 2) 2, 2, 3 (3, 3, 3), turn (see *fig.1*).

[back shoulder: 32 (34, 35, 36) 36, 38, 40 (42, 45, 46) sts each, neck: 34 (34, 34, 34) 36, 36, 38 (38, 38, 40) sts]



Next short row (RS): Make DS, k to the stitch m, rm, k2 (2, 2, 2) 2, 2, 3 (3, 3, 3), turn.

Sizes 8-10 ONLY

Next short row (WS): Make DS, p to DS, p DS as a single st, p3, turn.

Next short row (RS): Make DS, k to DS, k DS as a single st, k3, turn.

Rep last 2 rows - (-, -, -) -, -, - (1, 4, 5) more time(s).

All Sizes

Next short row (WS): Make DS, p to DS, p DS as a single st, p2, turn.

Next short row (RS): Make DS, k to DS, k DS as a single st, k2, turn.

Rep last 2 rows 10 (12, 13, 14) 14, 16, 16, (14, 11, 10) more times.

Sizes 1-5 ONLY

Next short row (WS): Make DS, p to DS, p DS as a single st, p1, turn.

Next short row (RS): Make DS, k to DS, k DS as a single st, k1, turn.

Rep last 2 rows 5 (3, 2, 1) 1, -, - (-, -, -) more time(s).

All sizes

Next short row (WS): Make DS, p to DS, p DS as a single st, p to end.

Next short row (RS): K to DS, k DS as a single st, k to end.

BACK

Work 45 (47, 47, 47) 47, 47, 49 (49, 49, 49) rows or until armhole side measures 17 (17.5, 17.5, 17.5) 17.5, 17.5, 18 (18, 18, 18) cm / 6½ (7, 7, 7) 7, 7, 7¼ (7¼, 7¼, 7¼)" even in St st, ending with a WS row.

BACK ARMHOLE SHAPING

Armhole Inc row 1 (RS): K1, M1L, k to last st, M1R, k1. (2 sts inc'd) [100 (104, 106, 108) 110, 114, 120 (124, 130, 134) sts]

Work 5 (5, 5, 5) 5, 7, 7 (7, 5, 5) rows in St st.

Sizes 5-7 ONLY

Rep **Armhole Inc row 1**. [-- (--, --, --) 112, 116, 122 (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

Sizes 1-6 & 8-10 ONLY

Rep **Armhole Inc row 1**.

[102 (106, 108, 110) 114, 118, -- (126, 132, 136) sts]

Next row (WS): P to end.

Rep last 2 rows 1 (1, 2, 3) 1, 0, -- (1, 1, 1) more time(s).

[104 (108, 112, 116) 116, 118, -- (128, 134, 138) sts]

--> Sizes 1-4 ONLY Go to All sizes.

Sizes 5-10 ONLY

Rep **Armhole Inc row 1**.

[-- (--, --, --) 118, 120, 124 (130, 136, 140) sts]

Armhole Inc row 2 (WS): P1, M1LP, p to last st, M1RP, p1. (2 sts inc'd) [-- (--, --, --) 120, 122, 126 (132, 138, 142) sts]

Rep last 2 rows -- (--, --, --) 0 1, 1, (0, 1, 0) more time.

[-- (--, --, --) 120, 126, 130 (132, 142, 142) sts]

--> Size 5 & 6 ONLY Go to All sizes.

Sizes 7-10 ONLY

Armhole Inc row 3 (RS): K1, [M1L, k2] twice, M1L, k to last 5 sts, [M1R, k2] twice, M1R, k1. (6 sts inc'd)

[-- (--, --, --) --, --, --, 126 (138, 148, 148) sts]

Next row (WS): P to end.

Rep last 2 rows -- (--, --, --) --, --, 0 (1, 1, 3) more time(s).

[-- (--, --, --) --, --, --, 126 (144, 154, 166) sts]

-->> Go to All sizes.

All sizes

Break yarn leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long. Place all sts on waste yarn.

RIGHT FRONT SHOULDER

With RS facing, using US 6 / 4 mm needles, join yarn to back right armhole edge and pick up and knit 32 (34, 35, 36) 36, 38, 40 (42, 45, 46) sts to removable marker at right back neck, remove removable marker (see fig.2).

Next row (WS): P to end.

Work 2 rows in St st.

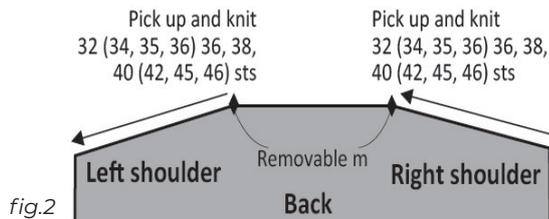


fig.2

NECK & ARMHOLE SHAPING
(same on both fronts)

Note: All Neck & Armhole Dec row in this section should be worked as follows:

Neck & Armhole Dec row (RS): Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. (2 sts dec'd)

The instruction "-->>Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING" means that if you are working the right front, go to "RIGHT NECK SHAPING", and if you are working the left front, go to "LEFT NECK SHAPING".

Sizes 1-3 ONLY

Work **Neck & Armhole Dec row.**

[30 (32, 33, --) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

Rep last 4 rows 2 more times.

[26 (28, 29, --) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later.

-->> Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING.

Sizes 4 & 5 ONLY

Work **Neck & Armhole Dec row.** [34 sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Rep **Neck & Armhole Dec row.** [32 sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

Rep last 4 rows 1 more time. [30 sts]

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later.

-->> Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING.

Sizes 6, 7 ONLY

Work **Neck & Armhole Dec row.**

[-- (--, --, --) --, 36, 38 (--, --, --) sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Rep last 6 rows 1 more time.

[-- (--, --, --) --, 34, 36 (--, --, --) sts]

Rep **Neck & Armhole Dec row.**

[-- (--, --, --) --, 32, 34 (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later.

-->> Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING.

Sizes 8, 9 ONLY

Work **Neck & Armhole Dec row.**

[-- (--, --, --) --, --, -- (40, 43, --) sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Rep last 6 rows 2 more times.

[-- (--, --, --) --, --, -- (36, 39, --) sts]

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later.

-->> Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING.

Size 10 ONLY

Work **Neck & Armhole Dec row.** [44 sts]

Work 7 rows in St st.

Rep **Neck & Armhole Dec row.** [42 sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Rep last 6 rows 1 more time. [40 sts]

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later.

-->> Go to RIGHT / LEFT NECK SHAPING.

RIGHT NECK SHAPING**Sizes 1-4 ONLY**

Neck Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)

[27 (29, 30, 31) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)

Rep last 4 rows 1 more time. (Rows 5-8)

[28 (30, 31, 32) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Rows 9) [29 (31, 32, 33) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 10)

Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 11) [30 (32, 33, 34) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 12-14)

Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 15) [31 (33, 34, 35) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 16)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 17-18)

[32 (34, 35, 36) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 19) [33 (35, 36, 37) --, --, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 20-22)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 23) [34 (36, 37, 38) --, --, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 24)
 Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 25-26)
 [35 (37, 38, 39) --, --, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 -->> Go to All Sizes

Sizes 5 & 6 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd / (Row 1)
 [-- (-, -, -) 31, 33, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 5) [-- (-, -, -) 32, 34, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)
 Rep last 6 rows 1 more time. (Rows 7-12)
 [-- (-, -, -) 34, 36, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 13) [-- (-, -, -) 35, 37, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 14-16)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Rows 17) [-- (-, -, -) 36, 38, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 18)
 Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 19-20)
 [-- (-, -, -) 37, 39, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 -->> Go to All Sizes

Sizes 7-9 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)
 [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 35 (37, 40, --) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 5) [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 36 (38, 41, --) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)
 Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 7-8)
 [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 37 (39, 42, --) sts]
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 9) [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 38 (40, 43, --) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 10-12)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 13) [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 39 (41, 44, --) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 14)
 Rep last 6 rows 1 more time. (Rows 15-20)
 [-- (-, -, -) --, --, 41 (43, 46, --) sts]
 -->> Go to All Sizes

Size 10 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)
 [41 sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 5) [42 sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)
 Rep last 2 rows 2 more times. (Rows 7-10) [44 sts]
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Rows 11) [45 sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 12-14)
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** (Row 15) [46 sts]
 Work 1 row in St st. (Row 16)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 17-18) [47 sts]
 -->> Go to All Sizes

All Sizes

Rep **Neck Inc row.** [36 (38, 39, 40) 38, 40, 42 (44, 47, 48) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st.
 Rep **Neck Inc row.** [37 (39, 40, 41) 39, 41, 43 (45, 48, 49) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st.
 Rep last 2 rows 9 (9, 9, 9) 12, 12, 13 (13, 13, 14) more times.
 [46 (48, 49, 50) 51, 53, 56 (58, 61, 63) sts]
 Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up
 button band sts later. V-neck shaping is complete.

RIGHT FRONT

Work 8 (8, 8, 10) 12, 14, 14 (16, 16, 18) rows even in St st.

RIGHT FRONT ARMHOLE SHAPING

Size 1 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd) [47 sts]
 Work 5 rows in St st.

Sizes 2-6 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd)
 [-- (49, 50, 51) 52, 54, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 5 rows in St st.
 Rep **Armhole Inc row.** [-- (50, 51, 52) 53, 55, -- (-, -, -) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st.

Size 7 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd) [57 sts]
 Work 5 rows in St st.

Sizes 8-10 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd)
 [-- (-, -, -) --, --, -- (59, 62, 64) sts]
 Work 3 rows in St st.

All sizes

Rep **Armhole Inc row.** [48 (51, 52, 53) 54, 56, 58 (60, 63, 65) sts]
 Work 1 row in St st.
 Rep last 2 rows 2 (1, 2, 3) 2, 3, 4 (4, 4, 2) more time(s).
 [50 (52, 54, 56) 56, 59, 62 (64, 67, 67) sts]
 Rep **Armhole Inc row.**
 [51 (53, 55, 57) 57, 60, 63 (65, 68, 68) sts]
Armhole Inc row 2 (WS): P to last st, M1LP, p1. (1 st inc'd)
 [52 (54, 56, 58) 58, 61, 64 (66, 69, 69) sts]
 Rep last 2 rows 0 (0, 0, 0) 1, 1, 2 (3, 1, 4) more time(s).
 [52 (54, 56, 58) 60, 63, 68 (72, 71, 77) sts]
 -->> Sizes 1-8 ONLY Go to All Sizes

Sizes 9 & 10 ONLY

Armhole Inc row 3 (RS): K1, [M1L, k2] twice, M1L, k to

end. (3 st inc'd) [--(--, --, --) --, --, --(--, 74, 80) sts]

Work 1 row in St st.

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. [--(--, --, --) --, --, --(--, 77, 83) sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

All Sizes

Break yarn leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long. Place all sts on waste yarn.

LEFT FRONT SHOULDER

With RS facing, using US 6 / 4 mm needles, join yarn to neck edge of left back where removable m is attached and pick up and knit 32 (34, 35, 36) 36, 38, 40 (42, 45, 46) sts from left back shoulder, remove removable m (see fig.2 on page 4).

Next row (WS): P to end.

Work 2 rows in St st.

Work NECK & ARMHOLE SHAPING (same on both fronts) in the box on page 4.

LEFT NECK SHAPING

Sizes 1-4 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)

[27 (29, 30, 31) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)

Rep last 4 rows 1 more time. (Rows 5-8)

[28 (30, 31, 32) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 9) [29 (31, 32, 33) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 10)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 11) [30 (32, 33, 34) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 12-14)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 15) [31 (33, 34, 35) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 16)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 17-18)

[32 (34, 35, 36) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

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Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 20-22)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 23) [34 (36, 37, 38) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 24)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 25-26)

[35 (37, 38, 39) --, --, --(--, --, --) sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

Sizes 5 & 6 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)

[--(--, --, --) 31, 33, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 5) [--(--, --, --) 32, 34, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)

Rep last 6 rows 1 more time. (Rows 7-12)

[--(--, --, --) 34, 36, --(--, --, --) sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 13) [--(--, --, --) 35, 37, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 14-16)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 17) [--(--, --, --) 36, 38, --(--, --, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 18)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 19-20)

[--(--, --, --) 37, 39, --(--, --, --) sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

Sizes 7-9 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd / Row 1)

[--(--, --, --) --, --, 35 (37, 40, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 5) [--(--, --, --) --, --, 36 (38, 41, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 7-8)

[--(--, --, --) --, --, 37 (39, 42, --) sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 9) [--(--, --, --) --, --, 38 (40, 43, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 10-12)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 13) [--(--, --, --) --, --, 39 (41, 44, --) sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 14)

Rep last 6 rows 1 more time. (Rows 15-20)

[--(--, --, --) --, --, 41 (43, 46, --) sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

Size 10 ONLY

Neck Inc row (RS): K1, M1L, k to end. (1 st inc'd / Row 1) [41 sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 2-4)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 5) [42 sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 6)

Rep last 2 rows 2 more times. (Rows 7-10) [44 sts]

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 11) [45 sts]

Work 3 rows in St st. (Rows 12-14)

Rep **Neck Inc row**. (Row 15) [46 sts]

Work 1 row in St st. (Row 16)

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. (Rows 17-18) [47 sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

All Sizes

Rep **Neck Inc row**. [36 (38, 39, 40) 38, 40, 42 (44, 47, 48) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

Rep **Neck Inc row**. [37 (39, 40, 41) 39, 41, 43 (45, 48, 49) sts]

Work 1 row in St st.

Rep last 2 rows 9 (9, 9, 9) 12, 12, 13 (13, 13, 14) more times.

[46 (48, 49, 50) 51, 53, 56 (58, 61, 63) sts]

Place a removable m at neck side edge for picking up button band sts later. V-neck shaping is complete.

LEFT FRONT

Work 8 (8, 8, 10) 12, 14, 14 (16, 16, 18) rows even in St st.

LEFT FRONT ARMHOLE SHAPING

Size 1 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd) [47 sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Sizes 2-6 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd)
[-- (49, 50, 51) 52, 54, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Rep **Armhole Inc row**. [-- (50, 51, 52) 53, 55, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

Size 7 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd) [57 sts]

Work 5 rows in St st.

Sizes 8-10 ONLY

Armhole Inc row (RS): K to last st, M1R, k1. (1 st inc'd)

[-- (--, --, --) --, --, -- (59, 62, 64) sts]

Work 3 rows in St st.

All sizes

Rep **Armhole Inc row**. [48 (51, 52, 53) 54, 56, 58 (60, 63, 65) sts]

Work 1 row in St st.

Rep last 2 rows 2 (1, 2, 3) 2, 3, 4 (4, 4, 2) more time(s).

[50 (52, 54, 56) 56, 59, 62 (64, 67, 67) sts]

Rep **Armhole Inc row**. [51 (53, 55, 57) 57, 60, 63 (65, 68, 68) sts]

Armhole Inc row 2 (WS): P1, M1RP, p to end. (1 st inc'd)

[52 (54, 56, 58) 58, 61, 64 (66, 69, 69) sts]

Rep last 2 rows 0 (0, 0, 0) 1, 1, 2 (3, 1, 4) more time(s).

[52 (54, 56, 58) 60, 63, 68 (72, 71, 77) sts]

-->> Sizes 1-8 ONLY Go to All Sizes

Sizes 9 & 10 ONLY

Armhole Inc row 3 (RS): K to last 5 sts, [M1R, k2] twice,
M1R, k1. (3 st inc'd) [-- (--, --, --) --, --, --, -- (--, 74, 80) sts]

Work 1 row in St st.

Rep last 2 rows 1 more time. [-- (--, --, --) --, --, -- (--, 77, 83) sts]

-->> Go to All Sizes

All Sizes

Do not Break yarn.

JOIN BACK AND FRONTS

Turn left front to RS, k to end of left front, *CO 4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts with Backward loop Cast-On, pm, CO 4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts*, place 104 (108, 112, 116) 120, 126, 136 (144, 154, 166) back sts onto left needle, with RS facing, k to end of back, rep from * to *, place 52 (54, 56, 58) 60, 63, 68 (72, 77, 83) sts of right front onto left needle, k to end of right front.

[224 (236, 244, 252) 264, 280, 300 (320, 340, 368) sts]

Next row (WS): P to end.

UNDERARM GUSSETS

Note: All the instructions of this section are for the RS rows only; all WS rows are purled.

Dec Row 1 (RS): [K to 6 (7, 7, 7) 8, 9, 9, (10, 10, 11) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[220 (232, 240, 248) 260, 276, 296 (316, 336, 364) sts]

Dec Row 2 (RS): [K to 5 (6, 6, 6) 7, 8, 8, (9, 9, 10) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k3 (4, 4, 4) 5, 6, 6 (7, 7, 8), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[216 (228, 236, 244) 256, 272, 292 (312, 332, 360) sts]

Dec Row 3 (RS): [K to 4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7, (8, 8, 9) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k2 (3, 3, 3) 4, 5, 5 (6, 6, 7), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[212 (224, 232, 240) 252, 268, 288 (308, 328, 356) sts]

Dec Row 4 (RS): [K to 3 (4, 4, 4) 5, 6, 6, (7, 7, 8) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k1 (2, 2, 2) 3, 4, 4 (5, 5, 6), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[208 (220, 228, 236) 248, 264, 284 (304, 324, 352) sts]

Size 1 ONLY

Dec Row 5 (RS): [K to 2 sts before m, ssk, rm, k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd) [204 sts]

Sizes 2-4 ONLY

Dec Row 5 (RS): [K to 3 sts before m, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[-- (216, 224, 232) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Dec Row 6 (RS): [K to 2 sts before m, ssk, rm, k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[-- (212, 220, 228) --, --, -- (--, --, --) sts]

Sizes 5-10 ONLY

Dec Row 5 (RS): [K to -- (--, --, --) 4, 5, 5, (6, 6, 7) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k-- (--, --, --) 2, 3, 3, (4, 4, 5), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[-- (--, --, --) 244, 260, 280 (300, 320, 348) sts]

Dec Row 6 (RS): [K to -- (--, --, --) 3, 4, 4, (5, 5, 6) sts before m, ssk, k to m, sm, k-- (--, --, --) 1, 2, 2, (3, 3, 4), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[-- (--, --, --) 240, 256, 276 (296, 316, 344) sts]

Dec Row 7 (RS): [K to -- (--, --, --) 2, 3, 3, (4, 4, 5) sts before m, ssk, k-- (--, --, --) 0, 1, 1, (2, 2, 3), rm, k-- (--, --, --) 0, 1, 1, (2, 2, 3), k2tog] twice, k to end. (4 sts dec'd)

[-- (--, --, --) 236, 252, 272 (292, 312, 340) sts]

BODY

Work even in St st until body measures 19.5 (18, 17.5, 17) 16, 16, 15.5 (15.5, 15, 15) cm / 7½ (7, 7, 6¾) 6¼, 6¼, 6 (6, 6, 6)" from underarm or 7 cm / 2¾" shorter than your desired length, ending with a WS row.

HEM

Change to US 4 / 3.5 mm needles.

Rib row 1 (RS): K1, [p2, k2] to last 3 sts, p2, k1.

Rib row 2 (WS): P1, [k2, p2] to last 3 sts, k2, p1.

Rep last 2 rows until rib measures 7 cm / 2¾" or your desired length, ending with a WS row.

Break yarn, leaving a tail about 3 times longer than rib edge for Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib. (See YouTube video: Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib flat, k1 both ends.)

BO rnd: Using tapestry needle, BO all sts with Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib.

ARMHOLE RIBS (mirrored)

Note: Pick up 1 st from each st along underarm and approx. 2 sts for every 3 rows along front/back.

Using US 4 / 3.5 mm needles for small circumference, with RS facing, pick up and knit 4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts from right half of underarm (①), pm (BOR m) (②), pick up and knit 4 (5, 5, 5) 6, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts from left half of underarm (③),

For the right armhole: pick up and knit 39 (40, 42, 43) 44, 46, 47 (47, 47, 49) sts to shoulder seam along back armhole edge (④), pick up and knit 61 (62, 64, 67) 68, 72, 75 (77, 77, 81) sts to underarm along front armhole edge (⑤),

For the left armhole: pick up and knit 61 (62, 64, 67) 68, 72, 75 (77, 77, 81) sts to shoulder seam along front armhole edge (④), pick up and knit 39 (40, 42, 43) 44, 46, 47 (47, 47, 49) sts to underarm along back armhole edge (⑤),

join to work in the rnd, k to BOR m. (see fig. 3)

[108 (112, 116, 120) 124, 132, 136 (140, 140, 148) sts]

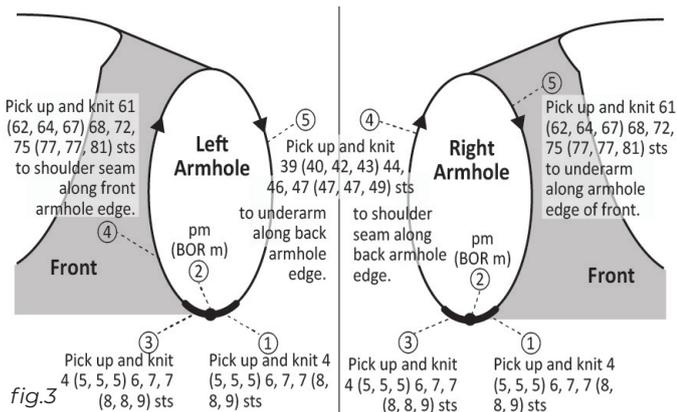


fig.3

Rib rnd: [K2, p2] to end.

Rep last rnd until rib measures 4.5 cm / 1¾" or your desired length.

Break yarn leaving a tail about 3 times longer than rib edge for Tubular Bind-Off for 2x2 Rib. (See YouTube video: Tubular Bind-off for 2x2 Rib in the round.)

BO rnd: Rm, using tapestry needle, BO all sts with Tubular Bind Off for 2x2 Rib.

PICK UP AND KNIT FOR BUTTON BAND

See YouTube video: How to pick up sts for a buttons band and fig. 4.

Note: The number of sts to pick up is calculated based on the gauge. If your button band looks loose (or tight), consider changing needle size or adjusting the number of sts to pick up. Increasing (or decreasing) the number of sts by one will result in an additional (or fewer) two rows in the button band.

After completing the button band, pull the yarn from the pick-up row to close the gap between the body and the button band. To prepare for this, break yarn leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long and attach new one at each ☆ while picking up sts.

Pick up sts along front and back as follows: Along each front, approx. pick up 1 st for every 2 rows. Along each neck between corner of front and m, approx. pick up 1 st every 2 rows. Along each neck between m and back seam, approx. pick up 1 st every 3 rows. Along back, pick up approx. 2 sts every 3 CO sts.

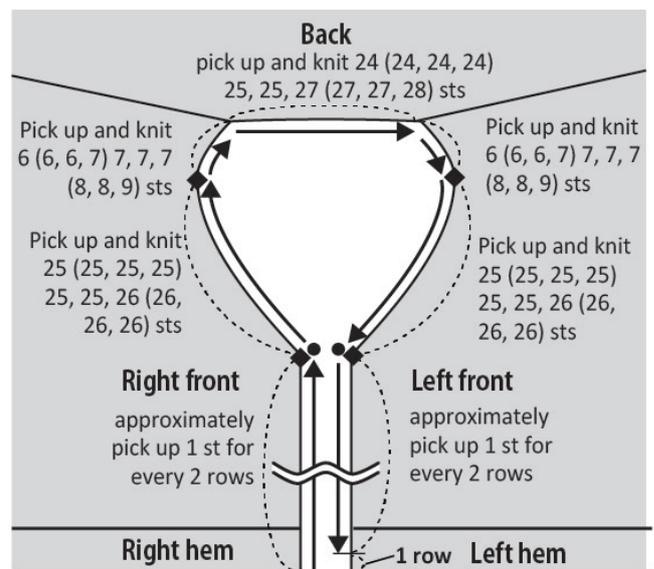


fig.4 ◆=Removable markers ●= Place stitch markers

Using US 4 / 3.5 mm needles 80 cm / 32" or longer, with RS facing, approx. pick up 1 st for every 2 rows along right front edge from bottom right hem to removable m on right front corner, remove removable m from edge and replace it a few sts inside (to mark button position), place a stitch m on right needle, ☆, pick up and knit 25 (25, 25, 25) 25, 25, 26 (26, 26, 26) sts along right neck edge to removable m on right neck edge, remove removable m, ☆, pick up and knit approx. 1 st for every 3 rows 6 (6, 6, 7) 7, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts along right neck edge to right back shoulder seem, ☆, pick up and knit approx. 2 sts for every 3 CO sts 24 (24, 24, 24) 25, 25, 27 (27, 27, 28) sts along back neck CO edge, ☆, pick up and knit approx. 1 st for every 3 rows 6 (6, 6, 7) 7, 7, 7 (8, 8, 9) sts along left neck edge to remov-

able m on left neck edge, ☆, pick up and knit approx. 1 st for every 2 rows 25 (25, 25, 25) 25, 25, 26 (26, 26, 26) sts along left front neck edge to removable m on left front corner, remove removable m, remove removable m from edge and replace it a few sts inside (to mark button position), place a stitch m on right needle, ☆, approx. pick up 1 st for every 2 rows along left front edge to left hem bottom, ensuring the last st is picked up from the 2nd row from edge of hem. (see fig.4).

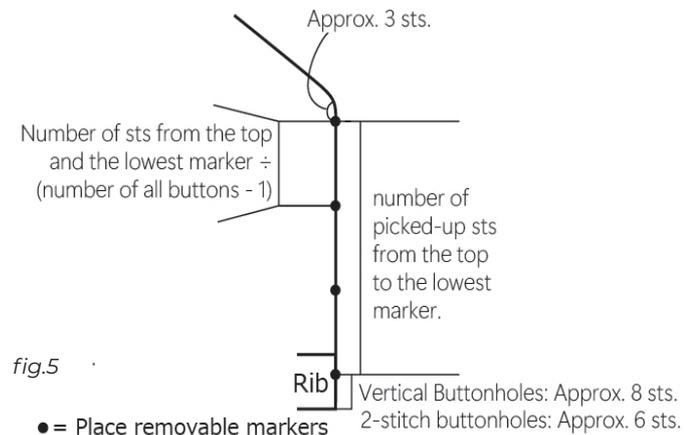
Break yarn, leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long.

BUTTONHOLES

Button Positioning for Vertical Buttonholes and 2-stitch Buttonholes

Note: You can choose from vertical buttonholes, 2-stitch buttonholes, and afterthought buttonholes mentioned at the end of this pattern. Vertical and 2-stitch buttonholes are made while knitting the button band. Afterthought buttonholes are made after the button band is completed. The sizes of the buttonholes are: vertical buttonholes > 2-stitch buttonholes > afterthought buttonholes. The buttonhole size may vary depending on the yarn and gauge, so we recommend making a sample to determine the best option for you.

In female garments, buttonholes are usually on the right front and buttons on the left front (and the opposite for male garments), but this is up to your preference.



If you have opted for vertical buttonholes or 2-stitch buttonholes, removable markers are placed for the buttonholes as follows (see fig.5):

At the top: Approx. 3 sts below the stitch m at the corner.

At the bottom: for the vertical buttonholes, approx. 8th above the bottom edge, and for 2-stitch buttonholes, approx. 6th above the bottom edge.

Then place 2 or desired number of markers at equal intervals between the top and the lowest markers. To

calculate the intervals between buttonholes = number of picked-up sts from the top and to the lowest m ÷ (number of all buttons - 1). For example, if you have chosen the 2-stitch buttonholes and the number of sts from the top to the lowest m is 69 sts and you want to put 4 buttons in total, the intervals are $69 \text{ sts} \div (4 \text{ buttons minus } 1) = 23 \text{ sts}$ (including the marked stitches). If it is not divisible, shift the position of the bottom markers.

CO for BUTTON BAND

See YouTube video: Tubular Cast-On for 1x1 rib with waste yarn

Using waste yarn and with US 6 / 4 mm needles, CO 6 sts with any method you like.

Next row (RS): With waste yarn, k to end.

Next row (WS): With waste yarn, p to end.

Change to the project yarn.

Next row (RS): K to end.

Next row (WS): Place a removable m on the project yarn, p to end.

Next row (RS): k to end.

Change to US 4 / 3.5 mm double-pointed needle.

Next row (WS): Purl the first st, place the loop marked with the removable m (2 in fig.5) onto left needle and purl it, [insert right needle into the purl bump of the project yarn (3) and knit this st, purl the next st on left needle (4)] until 1 st remains on the left needle, with yarn in back, slip purlwise the last st onto the right needle, then lift the last purl bump with the right needle. Remove waste yarn after working a few rows of button band.



fig.6 ● = P ● = K ● = Sl

BUTTON BAND

See YouTube video: "How to work a button band" and "How to close the gap between the button band and the body".

Note: The button band is worked in the following order: left front hem, left front, left neck, back neck, right neck, right front and right front hem (opposite of picking up).

To tighten the gap between the body and the button

band, place removable markers frequently on the pick-up row's loops. After completing the pick-up row, pull the removable markers to close the gap.

Tip for working the edge stitches: With this method, the endmost st wraps around to the WS and the actual edge st visible from the RS will be the second one from the edge. If the last st (which rolls toward the WS) is twisted or too large, it may protrude, creating a bump. To prevent this, work the first WS st as tightly as possible using needle tips, adjust the yarn tension to untwist it, or pull the yarn while knitting the adjacent st for a neat finish.

If you have chosen the vertical buttonholes, cut about 2 m / 2 yds of the project yarn and make a separate ball for the buttonholes. For the vertical and 2-stitch buttonholes, follow the steps below every time you reach the removable marker for buttonhole:

Vertical Buttonholes

Note: The left side and the right side of buttonholes are worked separately. Using the separate balls of yarn for each side, work 4 rows, then join both sides on the 5th row. (see YouTube video: How to make vertical buttonhole).

Right side row 1 (RS): Remove removable m for buttonhole, sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, [k1, p1] twice, k1, turn work.

Right side row 2 (WS): [P1, k1] twice, p1, sl 1 knitwise, turn work.

Right side row 3 (RS): Sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, [k1, p1] twice, k1, turn work.

Right side row 4 (WS): Rep **Right side row 2**.

Right side row 5 & Left side row 1 (RS): Sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, [k1, p1] twice, k1, attach new yarn to bottom of buttonhole, [p1, k1] twice, k1.

Left side row 2 (WS): P2, k1, p1, k1, turn work.

Left side row 3 (RS): [P1, k1] twice, k1.

Left side row 4 (WS): P2, k1, p1, k1, break yarn, leaving a tail about 15 cm / 6" long, turn work.

Left side row 5 (RS): Join left and right sides using yarn from right side of the buttonhole, [p1, k1] twice, k1.

The yarn ends will be split and used to reinforce the top and bottom of the buttonhole.

2-stitch Buttonholes

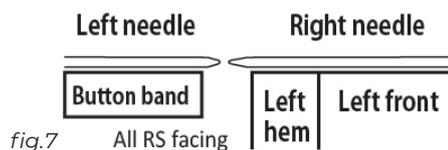
Buttonhole row 1 (RS): Remove removable m for buttonhole, sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, k1, p1, k1, k2tog, loosely CO 2 sts with Backward loop Cast-On, k2tog, p1, k2.

Buttonhole row 2 (WS): P2, k1, p1, k1, p3, k1, p1, sl 1 knitwise, turn work.

Buttonhole row 3 (RS): Sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, k1, p1, k1, 1/1 LPC, p1, k1, p1, k2

Work button band

With RS facing, place the button band sts against the left hem. You have picked-up sts of left hem on the right needle and button band sts on the left needle. (See *fig.7* and YouTube video: How to work a button band).

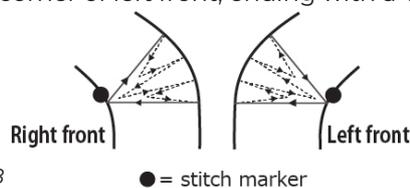


Set-up row (RS): Sl 1 st from right needle to left needle, p3tog the sl st and 2 sts of button band. [k1, p1] 4 times, k2.

Button band row 1 (WS): P1, [p1, k1] 4 times, p1, sl 1 knitwise, turn work.

Button band row 2 (RS): Sl st from right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, [k1, p1] 4 times, k2.

Rep **Button band rows 1-2** until 1 st remains before stitch m on corner of left front, ending with a WS row.



Note: See Fig. 8 for location of short rows.

Next row (RS): Rm, sl the last st before stitch m onto left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, [k1, p1] 4 times, k2.

Corner short row 1 (WS): P1, [p1, k1] twice, p1, turn.

Corner short row 2 (RS): Make DS, [p1, k1] twice, k1.

Corner short row 3 (WS): P1, [p1, k1] twice, p DS as a single st, [k1, p1] twice, turn.

Corner short row 4 (RS): Make DS, [p1, k1] 4 times, k1.

Corner short row 5 (WS): P1, [p1, k1] twice, p1, turn.

Corner short row 6 (RS): Make DS, [p1, k1] twice, k1.

Corner short row 7 (WS): P1, [p1, k1] twice, p DS as a single st, k1, p1, k1, p DS as a single st, sl 1 knitwise, turn work.

Next row (RS): Rep **Button band row 2**.

Rep **Button band rows 1-2** to stitch m on corner of right front, ending with a WS row.

Next row (RS): Rm, sl next st onto left needle, p2tog the st and next st, [k1, p1] 4 times, k2.

Rep **Corner short rows 1-7**.

Next row (RS): Rep Button band row 2.

Rep **Button band rows 1-2** until you have only the last picked up st, ending with a WS row.

Next row (RS): Sl last st on right needle to left needle, p2tog slipped st and next st, return st to left needle. Break yarn, leaving a tail about 3 times longer than rib edge for Tubular Bind-Off for 1x1 Rib (see *YouTube video: Tubular Bind-Off for 1x1 Rib with the button band edge*).

BO row: Using tapestry needle, BO all sts with Tubular Bind Off for 1x1 Rib.

Pull the yarn of the pick-up row to close the gap between the button band and the body, being careful not to tighten the fabric. If the yarn is too long and difficult to pull, attach a removable marker to the pick-up row before pulling. (see *YouTube video: How to close the gap between the button band and the body*).

FINISHING

Weave in ends and block, stretching the front band slightly as needed, referring to the FINISHED MEASUREMENTS.

If both vertical buttonholes and 2-stitch buttonholes are selected, sew the buttons on the opposite button band.

BUTTONHOLES for Afterthought Buttonholes

Button Positioning

Note: In female garments, buttonholes are usually on the right front and buttons on the left front (and the opposite for male garments), but this is up to your preference.

Place removable markers for buttonholes as follows (see *fig.9*).

Buttonholes should be on 6th st from edge of button band.

At the top: Approx. 4 rows below the removable m at the corner.

At the bottom: 4 cm / 1½ from the bottom edge.

Then place 2 or desired number of markers at equal intervals between the top and the lowest markers. To calculate the intervals between buttonholes = distance between the top and the lowest m ÷ (number of all buttons - 1) (e.g. if the distance between the lowest marker and the top buttonhole is 29 cm and you want to put 4 buttons in total, the intervals are $29 \text{ cm} \div (4 \text{ buttons minus } 1)$ nearly equal 9.6 cm.

Make the buttonholes as described below, and sew the buttons on the opposite button band.

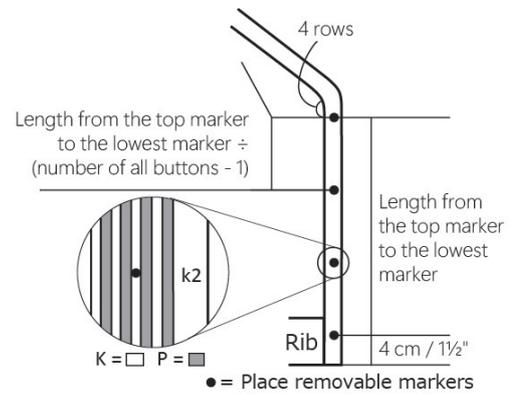
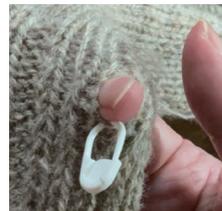


fig.9

Make Buttonholes

YouTube video: How to make buttonhole

Note: When making buttonholes as described below, regularly check that the buttons pass through.



1: Poke your finger into the stitch marked with a removable marker on the front button band, and make a hole large enough for the button to pass through.



2: Split your working yarn and thread a tapestry needle. Insert the needle about 3 rows below the hole, and overcast 2 or 3 times.



3: Overcast the top of the hole in the same way as in step 2.



4: Turn the work to WS and overcast both sides of the hole, making sure the stitches are not visible from RS.

