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DESCRIPTION

The Paul Vest is worked top-down in stockinette stitch. First, the left and right shoulders are worked separately, then joined into one piece. Stitches are picked up for the back, then again for the right and left fronts. German Short Rows shape the shoulders for a better fit. Once all sections are complete, they are joined and worked straight. Stitches are then picked up along the armholes to work the folded edge in 1x1 rib in the round, which is then attached. Next, stitches are picked up for the folded neckline in 2x2 rib, worked back and forth, and attached. Finally, the right and left front edges are worked in double knitting with buttonholes.

SIZES

XS / S / M / L / XL / 2XL / 3XL

SIZE GUIDE

The Paul Vest has a regular fit and is designed to have approx. 10 cm [4 in] of positive ease with slightly reduced ease in larger sizes, to ensure a more comfortable fit. This means the garment's measurements will be approx. 10 cm [4 in] larger than your actual bust circumference.

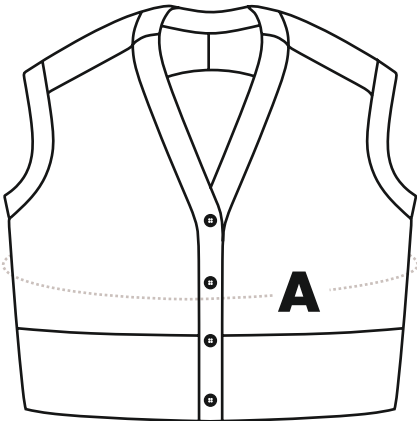
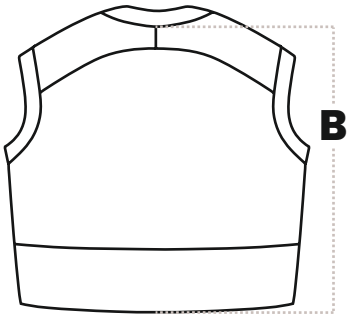
The sizes XS / S / M / L / XL / 2XL / 3XL are designed to fit a bust circumference of 80-85 / 85-90 / 90-95 / 95-100 / 100-110 / 110-120 / 120-130 cm [31½-33½ / 33½-35½ / 35½-37½ / 37½-39½ / 39½-43¼ / 43¼-47¼ / 47¼-51¼ in].

Before you begin, measure yourself to determine the right size. For example, if your bust circumference is 92 cm [36½ in], you should knit a size M. If you are between sizes, choose the size based on how loose you prefer the garment to fit. Using the diagram with the finished garment measurements can be a helpful reference when deciding which size to select.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

A: 93 / 97 / 102 / 107 / 114 / 124 / 134 cm
[36½ / 38 / 40½ / 42 / 45 / 48¾ / 52¾ in]

B: 56 / 57 / 58 / 59 / 61 / 63 / 65 cm
[22 / 22½ / 22¾ / 23¼ / 24 / 24¾ / 25½ in]



GAUGE

After washing and blocking:

23 sts x 32 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 in] in stockinette stitch on 4 mm [US 6] needles.

30 sts x 35 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 in] in 2 x 2 rib on 3 mm [US 2½] needles.

32 sts x 35 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 in] in 1 x 1 rib on 3 mm [US 2½] needles.

46 sts x 64 rows = 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 in] in double knitting on 3 mm [US 2½] needles. The stated gauge accounts for both layers of double knitting. The visible stitch and row count for each layer is half of the stated amount = 23 sts x 32 rows.

Please make sure to knit a swatch. Ensure that your swatch gauge matches the given one. If you cannot achieve the required gauge using the suggested needles, adjust your needle size to reach the correct gauge.

NEEDLES

Circular needles:

3 mm [US 2½] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]

3.5 mm [US 4] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]

4 mm [US 6] 40, and 80 or 100 cm [16, and 32 or 40 in]

5 mm [US 8] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]

Double-pointed needles:

3 mm [US 2½]

SUGGESTED YARN

Filcolana (worked with two strands throughout the process):

150 / 150 / 150 / 200 / 200 / 250 / 250 g Saga by Filcolana 50 g = 300 m [328 yds] & 100 / 100 / 125 / 125 / 150 / 150 / 175 g Tilia by Filcolana 25 g = 210 m [230 yds].

Cardiff Cashmere (worked with one strand throughout the process):

175-200 / 200 / 225 / 250 / 275 / 300 / 325 g Classic by Cardiff Cashmere 25 g = 110 m [120 yds].

NOTIONS

4 or 5 x buttons (ø = 18 mm), stitch markers, extra yarn or stitch holders, tapestry needle.

DIFFICULTY GUIDE



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In the sections of this pattern, you will find links to videos demonstrating the techniques needed to execute the required elements. Additionally, for easier navigation through the videos, I provide a QR code for the YouTube playlist. You will find all the videos related to this pattern in this playlist.

Please note that the videos included in the pattern are a supplement to the text instructions. Please follow the text first, as the videos may show the knitting principle rather than a step-by-step guide.

ABBREVIATIONS

General:

st/sts – Stitch(es)

K – Knit

P – Purl

r – Row/Round

RS/WS – Right Side/Wrong Side

BOR – Beginning Of Round

Slips:

SL1 – Slip One Stitch

Yarn Position:

wyib – with yarn in back

wyif – with yarn in front

Increases:

MIL – Make 1 Left (left-leaning increase): Insert the left needle from front to back under the bar between stitches. Knit this stitch through the back loop.

MIR – Make 1 Right (right-leaning increase): Insert the left needle from back to front under the bar between stitches. Knit this stitch through the front loop.

Decreases:

SSK – Slip, Slip, Knit (left-leaning decrease): Slip 1 stitch knitwise, slip the next stitch knitwise, insert the left needle into the fronts of these two stitches from left to right, and knit them together through the back loops.

SKP – Slip, Knit, Pass (left-leaning decrease): Slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit the next stitch, then pass the slipped stitch over the knit stitch and off the needle.

P2TOG – Purl Two Together (right-leaning decrease): Insert the right needle into the next two stitches purlwise and purl them together as one stitch.

About the German Short Rows technique:

When the instructions say '**Turn**', this indicates that you should turn your work around, slip the first stitch purlwise, and create a double stitch at the turning point. The term '**Work number of sts after the last turn**' means that you should work up to the double stitch created during the previous row's turn, work this stitch, and then proceed to work the specified number of stitches after it.

LEFT SHOULDER

The left shoulder is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

Cast on 35 sts on **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles using a Long-Tail Cast-On technique.

Work straight in stockinette stitch:

Row 1 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 2 (RS): Knit all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 17/18/19/20/22/22 times. Finish with a RS row.

Now you have 35 sts on the needles and worked 34/36/38/40/40/44/44 rows.

Start neck shaping:

Row 1 (WS): Bind off 14 sts (not too tight), and purl to the end of the row.

Row 2 (RS): Knit all sts.

Now you have 21 sts on the needles and worked 36/38/40/42/42/46/46 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Continue neck shaping, decreasing in every other row:

Row 1 (WS): P3, **P2TOG**, purl to the end of the row (1 st decreased).

Row 2 (RS): Knit all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 6 times. Finish with a RS row.

Now you have 15 sts on the needles and worked 48/50/52/54/54/58/58 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Now work straight:

Row 1 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 2 (RS): Knit all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 7/7/8/9/9/9/9 times. Finish with a RS row.

Now you have 15 sts on the needles and have worked 62/64/68/72/72/76/76 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Break the yarn and place the sts on hold to continue working with them later.

RIGHT SHOULDER

The right shoulder is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

Cast on 35 sts on **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles using a **Reverse Long-Tail Cast-On technique**.

Work straight in stockinette stitch:

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 17/18/19/20/22/22 times. Finish with a WS row.

Now you have 35 sts on the needles and worked 34/36/38/40/40/44/44 rows.

Start neck shaping:

Row 1 (RS): Bind off 14 sts (not too tight), and knit to the end of the row.

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Now you have 21 sts on the needles and worked 36/38/40/42/42/46/46 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Continue neck shaping, decreasing in every other row:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **SSK**, knit to the end of the row (1 st decreased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 6 times. Finish with a WS row.

Now you have 15 sts on the needles and worked 48/50/52/54/54/58/58 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Now work straight:

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 7/7/8/9/9/9/9 times. Finish with a WS row.

Now you have 15 sts on the needles and have worked 62/64/68/72/72/76/76 rows (if counting along the longer side).

Do not break the yarn.

Transfer your left shoulder sts on hold to the needles. Align the two shoulders with the RS facing each other. The WS should face outwards. Join them together using the **3-needle Bind-Off method**. Break the yarn.

BACK

The back is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

Leave a yarn tail on the left approximately 160–170 cm [63–67 in]. Ensure the yarn ball remains on your right side. With the RS facing and using the yarn tail, pick up and knit a total of 83/87/91/95/95/101/101 sts along the long straight side as follows: pick up and knit 41/43/45/47/47/50/50 sts before the seam, 1 st into the seam, and 41/43/45/47/47/50/50 sts after the seam. This is equivalent to picking up and knitting 2 sts for every 3 rows.

Return to the yarn ball, and with the RS facing, work in the **German Short Rows technique** to shape the back:

Row 1 (RS): K60/63/66/68/68/72/72, turn.

Row 2 (WS): P36/38/40/40/40/42/42, turn.

Row 3 (RS): K4 after the last turn, turn.

Row 4 (WS): P4 after the last turn, turn.

Work rows 3–4 a total of 5/5/5/6/6/6/6 times. Finish with the WS row (your last turn is 3/4/5/3/3/5/5 sts before the end of the WS row). The short rows are now complete.

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Now work straight as follows:

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 14/16/18/20/18/18/14 times. Finish with the WS row.

Now you have 83/87/91/95/95/101/101 sts on the needles and worked 28/32/36/40/36/36/28 rows (if counting along the armhole sides).

Now work with **increases** in every other row to shape the armholes:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **MIL**, knit until the last 3 sts, **MIR**, K3. (2 sts increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 6/6/6/6/8/10/14 times. Finish with the WS row.

Now you have 95/99/103/107/111/121/129 sts on the needles and worked 40/44/48/52/52/56/56 rows (if counting along the armhole sides).

Break the yarn and place the sts on hold to continue working with them later.

RIGHT FRONT

The right front is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

With the RS facing, pick up and knit a total of 23/24/25/27/27/29/29 sts along the right short side. This is equivalent to picking up and knitting 2 sts for every 3 rows.

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Now, work in the **German Short Rows technique** to shape the shoulder:

Row 1 (WS): P4/4/5/4/4/5/5, turn.

Row 2 (RS): Knit to the end of the row.

Row 3 (WS): P4 after the last turn, turn.

Row 4 (RS): Knit to the end of the row.

Work rows 3–4 a total of 4/4/4/5/5/5/5 times (your last turn is 3/4/4/3/3/4/4 sts before the end of the WS row). Finish with the RS row. The short rows are now complete. Break the yarn.

Now, re-join the yarn with the RS facing and work with **increases** in every 4th row to shape the V-neck:

Row 1 (RS): Knit until the last 3 sts, **MIR**, K3. (1 st increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 3 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 4 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–4 a total of 12/13/14/15/14/14/12 times. Finish with the WS row.

Now you have 35/37/39/42/41/43/41 sts on the needles and worked 48/52/56/60/56/56/48 rows (if counting along the armhole side).

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Now work with **increases** in every other row for the armhole and in every 4th row for the V-neck:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **MIL**, knit until the last 3 sts, **MIR**, K3. (2 sts increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 3 (RS): K3, **MIL**, knit until the end of the row. (1 st increased).

Row 4 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–4 a total of 3/3/3/3/4/5/7 times. Finish with the WS row.

Now you have 44/46/48/51/53/58/62 sts on the needles and worked 60/64/68/72/72/76/76 rows (if counting along the armhole side).

Break the yarn and place the sts on hold to continue working with them later.

LEFT FRONT

The left front is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

With the RS facing, leave a yarn tail on the left is approximately 3.5 times the length of the left short edge. Ensure the working yarn (skein) remains on your right side of the edge so you can start knitting from here later. Using that yarn tail, pick up and knit a total of 23/24/25/27/27/29/29 sts along the left short side. This is equivalent to picking up and knitting 2 sts for every 3 rows.

Now, work in the **German Short Rows technique** to shape the shoulder:

Row 1 (RS): K4/4/5/4/4/5/5, turn.

Row 2 (WS): Purl to the end of the row.

Row 3 (RS): K4 after the last turn, turn.

Row 4 (WS): Purl to the end of the row.

Work rows 3–4 a total of 4/4/4/5/5/5/5 times (your last turn is 3/4/4/3/3/4/4 sts before the end of the RS row). Finish with the WS row. The short rows are now complete.

Now work with **increases** in every 4th row to shape the V-neck:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **MIL**, knit until the end of the row. (1 st increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 3 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 4 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–4 a total of 12/13/14/15/14/14/12 times. Finish with the WS row.

Now you have 35/37/39/42/41/43/41 sts on the needles and worked 48/52/56/60/56/56/48 rows (if counting along the armhole side).

Now work with **increases** in every other row for the armhole and in every 4th row for the V-neck:

Row 1 (RS): K3, **MIL**, knit until the last 3 sts, **MIR**, K3. (2 sts increased).

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Row 3 (RS): Knit until the last 3 sts, **MIR**, K3. (1 st increased).

Row 4 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1–4 a total of 3/3/3/3/4/5/7 times. Finish with the WS row.

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Now you have 44/46/48/51/53/58/62 sts on the needles and worked 60/64/68/72/72/76/76 rows (if counting along the armhole side).

Do not break the yarn.

BODY

The body is worked back and forth in stockinette stitch using **4 mm [US 6] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

Join the body with the RS facing:

XS/S/M: K3, **M1L**, knit across the left front, cast on 12/12/14/-/-/-/- sts in an extension of the left front stitches using the **backward loop method**, knit across the back (95/99/103/-/-/-/- sts), cast on 12/12/14/-/-/-/- sts in an extension of the back stitches the same way, knit until the last 3 sts of the right front, **M1R**, K3.

L/XL/2XL/3XL: Knit across the left front (-/-/-/51/53/58/62 sts), cast on -/-/-/16/20/22/26 sts in an extension of the left front stitches using the **backward loop method**, knit across the back (-/-/-/107/111/121/129 sts), cast on -/-/-/16/20/22/26 sts in an extension of the back stitches the same way, knit across the right front (-/-/-/51/53/58/62 sts).

Purl 1 row.

Now you have 209/217/229/241/257/281/305 sts on the needles.

Work straight in stockinette stitch:

Row 1 (RS): Knit all sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl all sts.

Work rows 1-2 until the vest measures 49/50/51/52/54/56/58 cm [19¼/19¾/20/20½/21¼/22/22¾ in] from the center back.

Switch to **3.5 mm [US 4] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles and work one row with increases: K10/14/10/16/14/16/18, **M1L**, * K10, **M1L** *; repeat from * to * a total of 19/19/21/21/23/25/27 times, end with K9/13/9/15/13/15/17. (20/20/22/22/24/26/28 sts increased).

Now you have 229/237/251/263/281/307/333 sts on the needles.

Set up for the 1x1 rib (WS): P1, * K1, P1 *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Work 7 cm [2¾ in] of 1x1 rib:

Row 1 (RS): K1, * P1, K1 *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Row 2 (WS): P1, * K1, P1 *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Work rows 1-2 until you have worked 7 cm [2¾ in] of 1x1 rib. Finish with the WS row.

Work double knitting before binding off using the Italian bind-off technique as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, * SL1 purlwise wyif, K1 *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Row 2 (WS): SL1 purlwise wyif, * K1, SL1 purlwise wyif *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Bind off using the **Italian bind-off technique**. Not too tightly.

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ARMHOLE EDGES

The armhole edges are worked in the round in 1x1 rib using **3 mm [US 2½] 40 cm [16 in]** circular needles, then folded inward and attached.

Note: Ensure that your 1x1 rib gauge matches the specified gauge for 3 mm [US 2½] needles. If necessary, adjust your needle size accordingly. **When picking up** stitches along the armhole, **use 5 mm [US 8] circular needles** (40 cm [16 in]), or needles **1 mm larger** than those used for stockinette stitch (for example, if you used 4 mm [US 6], switch to 5 mm [US 8]). **Hold both the working yarn and a thin, smooth contrasting color yarn together**, picking up stitches with both strands simultaneously. Using larger needles and contrasting yarn creates a loose, well-defined first round with clearly visible stitches, which is crucial for precise armhole attachment. Once the stitches are picked up, switch to 3 mm [US 2½] needles and continue working the armhole using only the working yarn.

With RS facing, join the yarn (working and contrasting color held together). Using **5 mm [US 8] 40 cm [16 in]** circular needles, pick up and knit 146/154/164/174/178/188/192 stitches along the armhole. This is equivalent to picking up and knitting one stitch for each stitch/row. Begin picking up from the shoulder edge.

Stitch distribution:

Shoulder edge: 34 sts

Back armhole edge: 40/44/48/52/52/56/56 sts

Front armhole edge: 60/64/68/72/72/76/76 sts

Underarm: 12/12/14/16/20/22/26 sts

In total: 146/154/164/174/178/188/192 sts

Break the contrasting color yarn. Place a stitch marker to indicate a BOR.

Switch to **3 mm [US 2½] 40 cm [16 in]** circular needles and work 12 rounds of 1x1 rib (K1, P1).

Next, tightly work 3 rounds of double knitting for a neatly folded edge as follows:

Rounds 1–3: * K1, SL1 purlwise wyif *, repeat from * to * to the end of the round.

Work the following 10 rounds of 1x1 rib (K1, P1).

Finally, break the yarn, leaving a 10–15 cm tail—it will be used to finish the bind-off invisibly.

Now fold the armhole in half towards the WS and **join the live stitches to the purl bumps** from the first round.

Work as follows:

Slip the first live stitch knitwise to the right-hand needle, then pick up the first purl bump (inserting the needle from front to back) and pass the live stitch over the bump. Slip the next stitch knitwise to the right-hand needle, pick up the next purl bump, and pass the live stitch over the bump.

Repeat these steps until all live stitches have been joined with their corresponding purl bumps.

Note: Remove the contrasting color yarn before binding off.

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Bind off the stitches as follows:

Slip two stitches from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle and pass the first stitch over the second. Then, slip the next stitch from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle and pass the previous stitch over it. Continue this process until all stitches are bound off, except for the last one.

To invisibly finish, use a tapestry needle and the remaining tail. First, remove the knitting needles. Then, insert the tapestry needle from bottom to top into the last stitch and pull the yarn through. Next, insert the needle under both legs of the first bound-off stitch from bottom to top and pull the yarn through. Finally, insert the needle back into the center of the last stitch and pull the yarn through.

Work the second armhole in the same way.

NECKLINE

The neckline is worked back and forth in 2x2 rib using **3 mm [US 2½] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles.

Note: Pick up stitches along the neckline using **5 mm [US 8] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** needles, or needles **1 mm larger** than those used for stockinette stitch (for example, if you used 4 mm [US 6], switch to 5 mm [US 8]) and a thin, smooth contrasting color yarn, holding it together with the working yarn (as for the armhole).

With RS facing, join the yarn (working and contrasting color held together). Using **5 mm [US 8] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles, pick up and knit 88/88/92/96/96/96/96 stitches along the neckline edge. This is equivalent to picking up and knitting approx. one stitch for each stitch/row (44/44/46/48/48/48/48 sts before the seam, and 44/44/46/48/48/48/48 sts after the seam). Begin picking up the first stitch before the right shoulder section (into the first row of the right front) and finish with the last stitch after the left shoulder section (into the first row of the left front).

Break the contrasting color yarn.

Switch to **3 mm [US 2½] 80 or 100 cm [32 or 40 in]** circular needles and work 14 rows of 2x2 rib as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P3, * K2, P2 *, repeat from * to * to last 3 sts, P3

Row 2 (RS): K3, * P2, K2 *, repeat from * to * to last 3 sts, K3.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 7 times. Finish with the RS row.

Next, tightly work 3 rows of double knitting for a neatly folded edge as follows:

Row 1 (WS): P3, * SL2 purlwise wyib, P2 *, repeat from * to * until the last 3 sts, P3.

Row 2 (RS): K3, * SL2 purlwise wyif, K2 *, repeat from * to * until the last 3 sts, K3.

Row 3 (WS): As row 1.

Note: While knitting, make sure the 'stripes' are visible only on the RS of the neck and are positioned in front of the purl stitches.

Work the following 12 rows of 2x2 rib:

Row 1 (RS): K3, * P2, K2 *, repeat from * to * to last 3 sts, K3.

Row 2 (WS): P3, * K2, P2 *, repeat from * to * to last 3 sts, P3

Work rows 1–2 a total of 6 times. Finish with the WS row.

Break the yarn, leaving a 10–15 cm tail.

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Now fold the neckline in half towards the WS and **join the live stitches to the purl bumps** from the first round (as you do it on the armholes).

Note: Remove the contrasting color yarn before binding off.

Bind off the stitches (as you do it on the armholes).

RIGHT FRONT EDGE

The right front edge is worked back and forth in double knitting using **3 mm [US 2½] 100 cm [40 in]** circular needles. It can be helpful to use one double-pointed needle of the same size to simplify the process.

Note: Be sure to match the given gauge to avoid tight or overly loose edges.

With RS facing, pick up and knit one stitch for each row along the right front edge. Do not break the yarn.

Place stitch markers onto the needles to indicate buttonhole points as follows: Place the first marker after the 10th picked-up stitch. Place the second marker approximately opposite the last V-neck increase.

Count the stitches between these two markers:

For 4 buttonholes, divide the number by 3.

For 5 buttonholes, divide by 4.

Place 2 or 3 additional markers evenly, segmenting the stitches into sections.

Next, **pick up and knit** 9 sts along the RS-facing side of the folded neckline in an extension of the front edge stitches as follows: Pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 1. (9 sts picked up).

Switch to a double-pointed needle and continue by picking up and knitting 9 sts along the WS-facing side of the folded neckline edge: Skip 1, pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 1. (Another 9 sts picked up).

Now, join the picked-up stitches from both the RS and WS neckline sides (9 sts from each) as follows:

With WS facing, * slip 1 stitch purlwise from the nearest needle, then slip 1 stitch purlwise from the far needle *; repeat from * to * 9 times.

Now you have 18 sts on the right-hand needle.

Turn work to RS and work back and forth in **double knitting** across these 18 stitches, decreasing 1 stitch from the pick-up edge in every WS row as follows:

Row 1 (RS): SL1 knitwise wyib, SL1 purlwise wyif, *K1, SL1 purlwise wyif*; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Row 2 (WS): K1, * SL1 purlwise wyif, K1 *; repeat from * to * until the last st of 18, then P2TOG.

Work rows 1–2 until you reach the stitch marker. Finish with the WS row.

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[ITALIAN
BIND-OFF FLAT]

Row 1 (RS): SL1 knitwise wyib, * SL1 purlwise wyif, K1 *; repeat from * to * 4 times (9 sts worked). Turn work to WS.

Row 2 (WS): Work 8 sts in the established pattern, P2TOG.

Work rows 1–2 a total of 3 times.

Continue:

Row 1 (RS): Work 9 sts in the established pattern, then cast on 3 sts by wrapping the yarn clockwise around the right-hand needle, and continue work in pattern until the end of the row.

Row 2 (WS): Work the first 8 sts in the established pattern, SL1 knitwise, knit the first cast-on st tbl, and pass the slipped st over the just knitted one. Turn work to RS.

Row 3 (RS): Work 9 sts in the established pattern.

Work rows 2–3 a total of 3 times.

Finish:

Row 1 (WS): Work the first 8 sts in the established pattern, then SL1 knitwise, M1R, pass the slipped st over the just increased one, and work until the last st of 18, then P2TOG.

Work double knitting, while at the same time working the buttonholes until you have worked across the entire edge. Finish with the WS row.

In total, you have 18 sts on the needles.

Bind off using the **Italian bind-off technique**.

LEFT FRONT EDGE

The left front edge is worked back and forth in double knitting using **3 mm [US 2½] 100 cm [40 in]** circular needles.

Leave a yarn tail approximately 3.5 times the length of the front edge, ensuring the working yarn is on the right and the tail is on the left.

Using the yarn tail, **pick up and knit** 9 sts along the WS-facing side of the folded neckline as follows: Pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 1. (9 sts picked up).

Turn work to RS and continue by picking up and knitting 9 sts along the RS-facing side: Skip 1, pick up 1, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 2, skip 1, pick up 1, pick up 1. (Another 9 sts picked up).

Continue picking up and knitting 1 stitch per row along the left front edge.

Return to the starting point. With RS facing, join the picked-up stitches from both the RS and WS neckline parts (9 sts from each) as follows: * Slip 1 stitch purlwise from the far needle, then slip 1 stitch purlwise from the nearest needle *; repeat from * to * 9 times.

Now you have 18 sts on the right-hand needle.

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PICKING UP]

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**[LEFT FRONT
EDGE]**

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Work back and forth in **double knitting** across these 18 stitches, decreasing 1 stitch from the pick-up edge in every RS row as follows:

Row 1 (WS): * SL1 purlwise wyif, K1 *; repeat from * to * until the end of the row.

Row 2 (RS): SL1 purlwise wyif, * K1, SL1 purlwise wyif *; repeat from * to * until the last st of 18, SKP.

Continue working double knitting until you have worked across the entire edge. Finish with the WS row.

In total, you have 18 sts on the needles.

Bind off using the **Italian bind-off technique**.

FINISHING

Sew the buttons on the front edge, and weave in all ends. Wash and block your garment.

That's it, congratulations on finishing this garment!

I hope you enjoyed your knitting time.

I would be delighted if you could share your result and leave a review.

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