

The Macknit Garment Challenge 2017

Garment is a V neck sleeveless cardigan/vest for an adult.

PATTERN FOR STANDARD GAUGE MACHINE

Add your choice of bands and trims.

Shaped armhole version see notes on depth of armhole

BACK

Start with 152 stitches

Knit to RC 124

Cast off 7 stitches at the beginning of next 2 rows

Decrease 1 stitch each end of next and every following 2 rows 15 times (108 stitches remain RC 154).

Knit to RC 224

Shape shoulder and back neck AT THE SAME TIME.

Use your preferred shaping method, cast off or hold.

Working on one side

Neck edge

Cast off center 22 stitches

Then cast off 10 Stitches K2 rows

Cast off 3 stitches K2 rows

Cast off 2 stitches K2 rows

Shoulder

Cast off 4 stitches K2 rows twice

Cast off 5 stitches K2 rows 3 times

Cast off remaining 5 stitches.

RC 235. Shoulder is 28 stitches and back neck 52 stitches.

Work the other side of the neck to match.

FRONT

Start with 76 S

Knit to RC 124

Shape neck and armhole at the same time.

Neck edge decrease 1 stitch in next and every following 4 rows 26 times. RC 224, 28 stitches remain.

Armhole edge Cast off 7 stitches at the beginning of next row.

Decrease 1 stitch, knit 2 rows 15 times. (RC 154 46 stitches)

Continue decreasing on neck edge

At RC 224, start shaping shoulder

Shoulder shaping

Cast off 4 stitches K2 rows twice

Cast off 5 stitches K2 rows 3 times

Cast off remaining 5 stitches. RC 235 (shoulder has 28 stitches)

Knit another FRONT reversing shaping.

Straight armhole version

BACK

Start with 152 stitches

Knit to RC 124 hang marker on side seams.

Knit to RC 214

Shoulder shaping, use your preferred shaping method, cast off or hold.

Cast off 5 stitches K1 Row to RC 224, 109 stitches.

Continue shaping shoulder and start shaping neck, working on one side

Neck edge

Cast off center 22 stitches

Then cast off 10 Stitches K2 rows

Cast off 3 stitches K2 rows

Cast off 2 stitches K2 rows

To RC 233. Shoulder is 50 stitches and back neck has total of 52 stitches.

Work the other side of the neck to match.

FRONT

Start with 76 S

Knit to RC 124 hang marker on side seam.

Neck edge decrease 1 stitch in next and each 4 rows 26 times.

At RC 214 53 stitches, start shaping shoulder, continue neck shaping to RC 224

Shoulder shaping

Cast off 5 stitches K2 rows 10 times (shoulder has 50 stitches) RC 232.

Knit another FRONT reversing shaping.

Join side seam to marker, or where preferred.

Notes

RC – Row Count.

The purple test garment was knitted in Bendigo Luxury 4ply using Tension 8 on a Brother machine.

Weights 415 grams, length not including bands is 62cm, width 53cm.

Fits size 16. 3ply would give a smaller garment.

Depth of armhole.

The test purple garment has armhole shaping starting at RC 134 but feedback was the armhole needed to be lower, so was lowered by 10 rows. The green garment has armhole shaping starting at RC 124, as in the written pattern. I prefer the higher armhole.

