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MOON VEST

What you need to knit this vest:

- 4 skeins of chunky wool 3.52oz (100 g)/ 120yds (110 m)
- US 10/ 6 mm needle.
- Stitch marker.
- Tapestry needle.

Size: S-M [L-XL]

ENGLISH

MEASUREMENTS:

width: S-M 40,5 cm (16 in) [L-XL 50,5 cm (20 in)]) Length: S-M 63,5 cm (25 in) [L-XL 68,5 (27 in)] Armhole Circumference: S-M 66 cm (26 in) [L-XL 71 cm (28 in)] Side strings: 46 cm (18 in)

Gauge:

4" x 4" (10 x 10 cm) = 15 sts x 21 rows.

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STITCHES AND TECHNIQUES USED IN THIS PATTERN:

- 1. Cast on
- 2. Cast off

3. Cast off in pattern (rib stitch):

- Step 1: Work the first 2 stitches as they appear, this means knit the knits, and purl the purls. You will have 2 stitches on your right-hand needle.
- Step 2: Insert the left-hand needle through the first stitch worked on your right-hand needle and pass that first stitch over the second one. You will have 1 stitch on your right-hand needle.
- Step 3: Work 1 more stitch (knit the knits, and purl the purls) and repeat step 2.
- Repeat steps 2 and 3 until there are no more stitches on your left-hand needle.
- 4. Knit (k)
- 5. **Purl (p)**
- 6. **Stockinette stitch (St st) -** knit a row and purl another and repeat this process, that means, knit all even rows and purl all odd rows.
- 7. **K2Tog -** knit 2 stitches together
- 8. **Sew**
- 9. Decrease
- 10. Rib stitch
- 11. Pick up stitches around the neck.
- 12. Pick up stitches for side strings
- 13. Front of work the side you are seeing right now.
- 14. Back of work the side you don't see right now.
- 15. **RS -** right side.
- 16. **WS -** wrong side.

17. ***to* -** do/repeat as indicated between the asterisks.

START KNITTING!

FRONT AND BACK

- 1. **Row 0**: cast on 60 [76] stitches on the needles.
- 2. **Row 1**: slip the first stitch purlwise, *purl 1, knit 1*. Repeat from * to * until there is 1 stitch left on the left-hand needle. Purl that stitch.
- 3. Row 2 to 24: repeat row 1.
- 4. **Row 25 to 56 [25 to 61]:** work in stockinette stitch, that means: purl all stitches on odd rows and knit all stitches on even rows. Always slip the first stitch purlwise and purl the last stitch of the row.
- 5. Row 57 [62]: put a marker in the first and last stitch of the row.
- 6. Row 58 to 113 [63 to 121]: continue to work in stockinette stitch.

NECK AND SHOULDERS

7. **Row 114 [122]:** knit 20 [26] stitches, cast off 20 [24] stitches, knit the last 20 [26] stitches. Slip the first stitch purlwise and purl the last stitch of the row. For now on you will only work with one shoulder at a time.

LEFT SHOULDER

- 8. **Row 115 [123]:** slip the first stitch purlwise, purl 17 [23] stitches. P2Tog. You'll have 19 [25] stitches.
- 9. Row 116 and 118 [124, 126 and 128]: k2Tog, knit the next stitches until there are 1 stitch left. Purl the last one.
- 10. Row 117 [125 and 127]: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl the next stitches until there are 2 stitches left. Purl 2 stitches together.

- Row 119 [129]: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl the next stitches until there are 2 stitches left. Purl 2 stitches together. This is the last decrease. You will have 15 [19] stitches.
- 12. **Row 120 [130]:** slip the first stitch knitwise; knit the next stitches until there are 1 stitch left. Purl 1 stitch.
- 13. Row 121 and 123 [131, 133 and 135]: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl the remaining stitches.
- 14. Row 122 and 124 [132, 134 and 136]: repeat row 120 [130].
- 15. Row 125 [137]: cast off 15 [19] stitches.

RIGHT SHOULDER

You have to resume the right shoulder on the WS.

- 16. **Row 115 [123]:** purl the first 2 stitches together, this way: insert the needle through the first 2 stitches, take yarn and purl them together (tighten the yarn with your fingers so that it doesn't come loose). Purl 1 more stitch and tie a knot with both ends; purl the remaining stitches.
- 17. Row 116 and 118 [124, 126 and 128]: slip the first stitch purlwise; knit the next stitches until there are 2 stitches left; knit 2 stitches together.
- 18. Row 117 [125 and 127]: purl 2 stitches together, purl the remaining stitches.
- 19. Row 119 [129]: purl 2 stitches together, purl the remaining stitches. This is the last decrease. You will have 15 [19] stitches.
- 20. **Row 120 [130]:** slip the first stitch purlwise, knit the remaining stitches, including the last stitch.
- 21. Row 121 and 123 [131, 133 and 135]: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl the remaining stitches.
- 22. Row 122 and 124 [132, 134 and 136]: repeat row 120 [130].
- 23. Row 125 [137]: cast off 15 [19] stitches.

NECK

- 1. Place the two pieces facing each other and sew the right shoulder.
- 2. **Row 0:** pick up 80 [92] stitches around the neck. Starting from the right front side, pick up 10 [11] stitches from the shoulder until you reach the beginning of the increases, 20 [24] stitches from the middle part of the neck and 10 [11] more stitches up to the shoulder seam. Continue with the back, 10 [11] stitches from the shoulder seam until you reach the beginning of the increases, 20 [24] from the middle part of the neck and 10 [11] more from the other shoulder. You will have 80 [92] stitches on your needle.
- 3. **Row 1:** work in 2x2 rib stitch: slip the first stitch purlwise; purl 1 stitch; knit 2; *purl 2, knit 2*, repeat from * to * until the end of the row.
- 4. **Row 2 to 4**: continue working in rib stitch. Always slip the first stitch purlwise and work all stitches as they appear.
- 5. **Row 5:** cast off all stitches in pattern.
- 6. Sew the left shoulder and neck.

SIDE STRINGS - RIGHT SIDE

- 1. **Row 0:** facing the RS of your work, pick up 6 stitches from the marker we put on row 57 [62] this way: insert the needle through the stitch with the marker, take yarn and pick up the first stitch (tighten the yarn with your fingers so that it doesn't come loose).
- 2. Pick up one more stitch and make a knot with both ends.
- 3. Pick up 4 more stitches.
- 4. **Row 1**: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl 4 stitches, knit 1.
- 5. **Row 2**: slip the first stitch purlwise, knit the remaining stitches.
- 6. Repeat rows **1** and **2** up to and including row **79**.
- 7. Row 80: cast off 6 stitches.

SIDE STRINGS – LEFT SIDE

- 1. **Row 0**: facing the RS of your work, count 6 spaces from the stitch marker up, that's where you should start.
- 2. pick up 6 stitches until the marker we put on row 57 [62] this way: insert the needle through the 6th space, take yarn and pick up the first stitch (tighten the yarn with your fingers so that it doesn't come loose).
- 3. Pick up one more stitch and make a knot with both ends.
- 4. Pick up 4 more stitches until the stitch marker.
- 5. **Row 1**: slip the first stitch purlwise, purl 4 stitches, knit 1.
- 6. **Row 2**: slip the first stitch purlwise, knit the remaining stitches.
- 7. Repeat rows **1** and **2** up to and including row **79**.
- 8. Row 80: cast off 6 stitches.

FINISH YOUR PROJECT

- 1. Weave in ends.
- 2. Tip: Block your vest, you'll see that it'll look sooo much better! !*

**Blocking is the process of wetting or steaming your final pieces of knitting to set the finished size and even out the stitches. You could use any flat surface to block your garments, just be sure that your knitted piece lies flat and fully dries so that its shape sets.

And that's it! Send me your pics through Instagram or email, I would love to see your finished project!

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