

The Lace Stitch Vest Wrap

Sizes

s (32-36")

m(36-40")

l (40-44")

Yarn

- 4 (5, 5) balls of Kid Classic by Rowan (70% lambswool, 26% kid mohair, and 4% nylon), 50g, 153yd/137m in color #866 (bittersweet)

Needles

- one US #10 (6.0mm) circular needle
or size needed to obtain gauge

Notions

- needle for weaving in ends
- locking stitch markers or safety pins (approximately 20)
- 2 yards of a worsted weight waste yarn

Finished Measurements

width at bust: 41 (49, 57)"

width at waist: 26 (30, 34)"

total length: 18 (21, 24)"

Note: The fit of this garment is relaxed and more like a wrap. The measurements are fairly generous to give the sweater the correct drape.

size shown: s

Gauge

3.5 sts = 1" and 5.5 rows = 1" in Stockinette Stitch

14 sts = 4" and 22 rows = 4" in Stockinette Stitch

4 sts = 1" and 5 rows = 4" in Lace Stitch Pattern

16 sts = 4" and 20" rows = 4" in Lace Stitch Pattern

Lace Stitch Pattern

Row 1 (RS): K1, *yo, k2, sl 1, k2tog, pssso, k2, yo, k1 rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): purl

Row 3 (RS): K2, *yo, k1, sl 1, k2tog, pssso, k1, yo, k3, rep from * to last 7 sts, yo, k1, sl 1, k2tog, pssso, k1, yo, k2.

Row 4 (WS): purl

Row 5 (RS): K3, *yo, sl 1, k2tog, pssso, yo, k5, rep from * to last 6 sts, yo, sl 1, k2tog, pssso, yo, k3.

Row 6 (WS): purl

The vest is knit in two separate lace panels that are joined and knit in St st to form the waistband. A provisional cast on is used for the vest, which uses a different worsted weight yarn (waste yarn). The yarn will be removed after the lace panels are completed.

Lace Panels (Left Panel)

Lower Front Edge

CO on 41 (49, 57) sts with waste yarn.

Row 1: Purl

Row 2: Knit

Row 3: Purl

Change to main yarn, and begin front of vest.

Row 1 (RS): Knit

Row 2 (WS): Purl

Next row begin lace patt and work for 6 (8, 10)" or desired length, end with WS row. The length of the vest can be altered at this point.

Sleeves

Row 1 (RS): CO 9 sts, k across 1st 8 sts, k2tog, work remaining sts in lace patt ending with 49 (57, 65) sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl

Cont in patt across all sts for 12 (14, 16)", but k 1st 8 sts of final RS row and work remaining sts in lace patt. End with a WS row.

Row 1 (RS): BO 8 sts to end sleeves.

Lower Back Edge

Cont in patt for 6 (8, 10)" or desired length. The measurement should be the same as the front.

Row 1 (RS): Knit

Row 2 (WS): Purl

Put all sts on a holder.

Lace Panels (Right Panel)

Lower Front Edge

CO on 41 (49, 57) sts with waste yarn.

Row 1: Purl

Row 2: Knit

Row 3: Purl

Change to main yarn, and begin front of vest.

Row 1 (RS): Knit

Row 2 (WS): Purl

Next row begin lace patt and work for 6 (8, 10)" or desired length, end with RS row. The length of the vest should match the left panel at this point.

Sleeves

Row 1 (WS): CO 9 sts, p across 1st 8 sts, p2tog, p remaining sts ending with 49 (57, 65) sts.

Row 2 (RS): Work sts in lace patt, but knit last 9 sts.

Cont in patt across all sts for 12 (14, 16)", but k last 8 sts of final RS row.

Row 1 (WS): BO 8 sts to end sleeves.

Lower Back Edge

Cont in patt for 6 (8, 10)" or desired length. The measurement should be the same as the front.

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: Purl

Put all sts on a holder.

Waist

The waist is worked from the right front across right and left back to left front.

Begin waist by lying 2 panels parallel to each other, fold in half to designate front and back. Front is the panel with the CO edge. Remove the provisional cast on by pulling back the 3 rows with the waste yarn and put sts on holders.

Next, put all sts on the needle (without knitting or purling them), start at the right front, work across the right and left back to the left front ending with 164 (196, 228)sts.

Row 1 (WS): Start at right front edge, p3 p2tog across sts to last 2 sts of right front. P1, p2tog the last st of the right front with the 1st st of the back right. P2tog across back right to last 2 sts. P1, p2tog to last st of right back and 1st st of left back. P2tog across back left to last 2 sts. P1, p2tog last st of left back and 1st of left front. P2tog across left front to last 4 sts, p last 4 sts and end with 88 (104, 120) sts.

Row 2 (RS): P1, k across all sts and p last st.

Row 3 (WS): K1, p across all sts and k last st.

Rep last 2 rows for 6".

BO all sts loosely in k1, p1 rib.

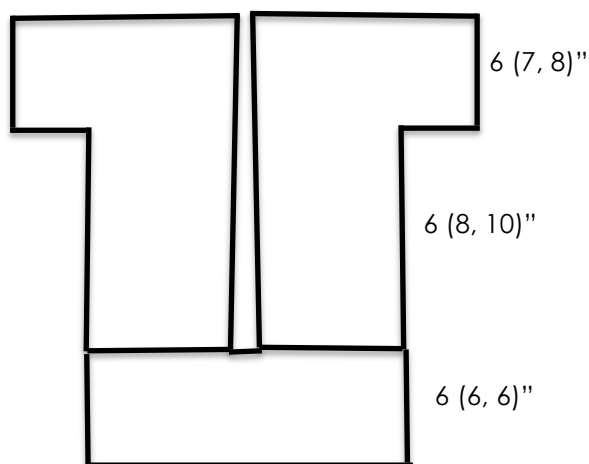
Finishing

Seam back panels together in middle back at least 6" or desired length (creating a V-shape at the neck). Sew side seams and 8 sts of underarms. It is important to note that the lace patt of the side seams will not match since the panels are folded in half. The "fishtail" of the lace will face down on the front and up on the back of the sweater. It may be easier to seam the sides together using an overcast stitch. To sew an overcast stitch, pin pieces together with right sides of the pieces facing each other. Insert darning needle from back to front through the strands and over the edges.

Weave in ends. Leave front edges open and use a pin to hold front edges together at end of lace panels and beginning of waist.

Flat Measurements

Bust: 20.5 (24.5, 28.8)"



Waist: 13 (15, 17)"

Standard Abbreviations

BO: bind off

CO: cast on

cont: continue

dec: decrease

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 sts together

m: marker

patt: pattern

pm: place marker

p: purl

pssso: pass slipped st over (sl 1, k1, pssso)

p2tog: purl 2 sts together

rem: remaining

rep: repeat

RS: right side

sl: slip designate st

st(s): stich(est)

St st: Stockinette Stitch (knit one row, purl one row)

WS: wrong side