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Skill level: Intermediate

Finished measurements

Sizes	XS	S	M	L
Bust	30.75 in 78 cm	34.25 87	37.75 96	42.25 107.5
Length	22 in 56 cm	22.75 58	24 61	25 63.5
Sleeve Length to underarm	18.5 in 47 cm	19 48	19.25 49	19.75 50

Yarn

Misti Alpaca Ayllu Overdye Aran (98% Baby Alpaca, 2% Polyamide, 100 g = 120 yds, shown in OW11 Bluette [C1] and OW11 Admiral [C2])

Color 1: 6 (7, 8, 8) hanks

Color 2: 1 hank

Needles

US 10 or 10½ = 6 or 6.5 mm

Notions

Removable markers

Gauge/Tension: 14 sts x 17 rows = 10 cm or 4 in in Drop St Pattern

Pattern Stitches

Crossed Stitches (multiple of 6 sts)

Row 1 = RS: *K1 wrapping yarn around needle 3 times; rep from * across.

Row 2: Dropping extra loops, *place 6 sts on right needle, lift 1st–3rd sts one at a time just moved over the

4th–6th sts and place back on left needle, slip the 4th–6th sts back to left needle, p6; rep from * across.

Drop St Pattern (any number of sts)

Row 1 = RS: Knit.

Row 2: K1 (edge st), purl to last st, k1 (edge st).

Row 3: K1 (edge st), *yo, k1; rep from * across to last st, k1 (edge st).

Row 4: K1 (edge st), purl to last st, dropping all yo's to last st, k1 (edge st).

Rep Rows 1–4 for pattern.

K2, P2 Rib (multiple of 4 sts)

Row 1 = RS: *K2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 2: *K2, p2; rep from * to end. Rep Rows 1 and 2 for pattern.

Note: if the number of sts is not a multiple of 4, work an extra k2 at end of RS rows and beg WS rows with p2.

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To knit

Back

With C2, CO 56 (62, 68, 76) sts. Knit 4 rows.

Change to C1. Work in Drop St Pattern, working first 2 and last 2 sts in garter st (knit every row) until work meas 4 in/ 10 cm.

Pm at each end of last row. Cont in Drop St Pattern, working only first st and last st in garter st until work meas 14.5 (14.5, 15, 15.25) in/ 37 (37, 38, 38.5) cm, end with a WS row.

Shape armholes

BO 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows = 48 (54, 60, 68) sts. Cont in pattern until work meas 21.25 (22, 23.25, 24.25) in/ 54 (56, 59, 61.5) cm, end with a WS row.

Shape neck

Next row: Work 11 (13, 15, 18), join a second ball of yarn and BO next 26 (28, 30, 32) sts for neck, work to end. Work each side separately, cont in pattern until work meas 22 (22.75, 24, 25) in/ 56 (58, 61, 63.5) cm. BO.

Front

Work same as back until piece meas 15.75 (15.75, 16.25, 16.5) in/ 40 (40, 41, 42) cm, end with a WS row. Work Crossed Sts. Cont in Drop St Pattern until work meas 18.5 (19.25, 20.5, 21.5) in/ 47 (49, 52, 54.5) cm, ending with a WS row.

Shape neck

Next row: Work 18 (21, 23, 26) sts, join a second ball of yarn and BO next 12 (12, 14, 16) sts for neck, then work to end. Work each side separately. Cont in pat-

tern and BO at each neck edge 3 sts once, 2 sts 1 (2, 2, 2) time(s), then 1 st 2 (1, 1, 1) time(s) = 11 (13, 15, 18) sts rem. Cont even until work meas 22 (22.75, 24, 25) in/ 56 (58, 61, 63.5) cm. BO.

Sleeves make 2

With C1, CO 32 (34, 36, 38) sts. Work 4.75 in/ 12 cm in k2, p2 rib, end with a WS row. Change to C2. Knit 1 row and inc 4 sts evenly across row = 36 (38, 40, 42) sts. Knit 3 more rows.

Change to C1. Work in Drop St Pattern. **At the same time**, inc 1 st each end every 4th row 3 (8, 14, 9) times, then every 6th row 7 (4, 0, 4) times = 52 (58, 64, 68) sts. Cont even until work meas

18.5 (19, 19.25, 19.75) in/ 47 (48, 49, 50) cm. Pm in each end of last row. Work even for 1.25 in/ 3 cm. BO.

Finishing

Weave in ends. Block to finished measurements. Sew right shoulder seam.

Neckband

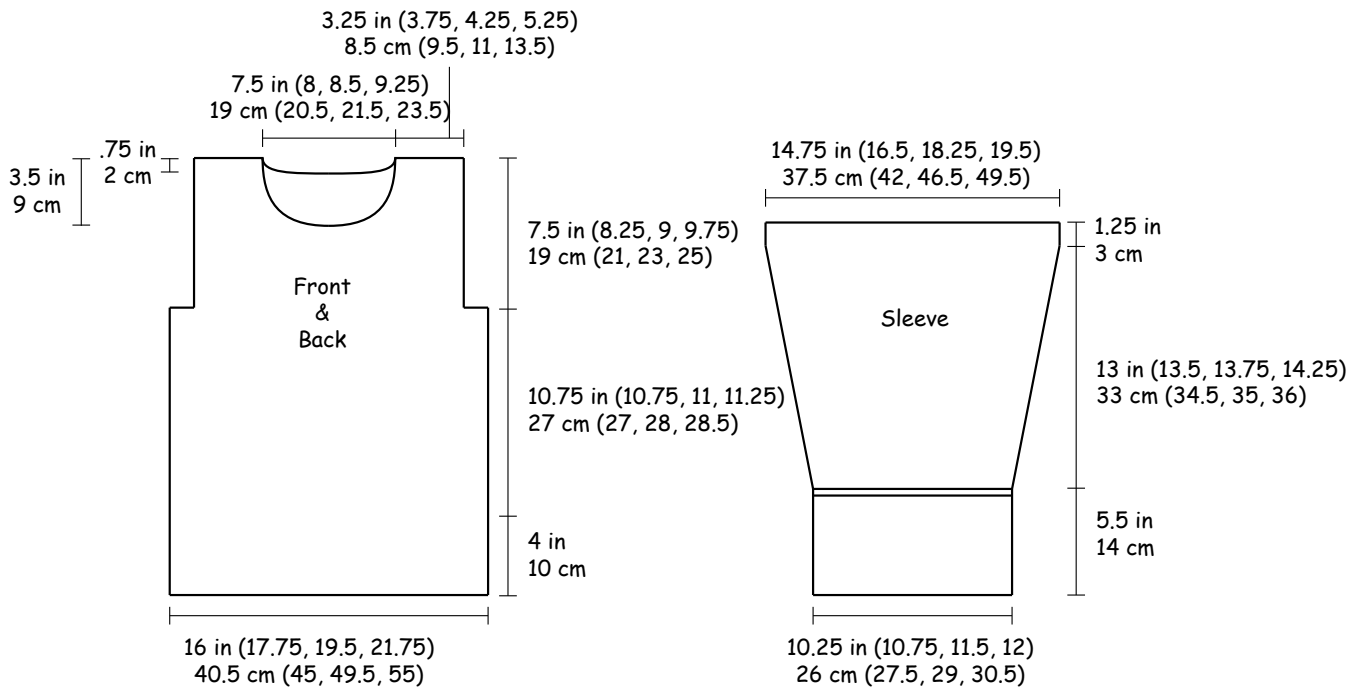
With C2 and RS facing, pick up and k78 (80, 82, 84) sts along neck edge. Knit 8 rows. BO.

Sew left shoulder seam and neckband. Sew in sleeves, fitting upper corners of sleeves into corners of armholes. Sew sleeve seams. Sew side seams from armhole to marker, leaving open below marker for slit.



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Abbreviations

BO	= bind off
CO	= cast on
cont	= continue
inc	= increase
k	= knit
meas	= measures
p	= purl
pm	= place marker
rep	= repeat
rem	= remain
RS	= right side
st/sts	= stitch/stitches
WS	= wrong side
yo	= yarn over