



Deep Back

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Materials

3 (4) 50g skeins of Tencel, Go Handmade

Circular needle size H/8, 31 inches

Size

S/M (M/L)

Tension

Measured on seed stitch and double yarn.

18 stitches to 4 inches

27 rows to 4 inches

Buy your yarn here

<http://shop.hobbii.com/deep-back>

Measurements

Length: 16.5 (18) inches

Chest: 28 (30) inches

Chest will give during use, but it is important for the blouse to be snug to prevent it falling off the shoulders.

Pattern notes

The blouse is knitted back and forth on circular needles using two threads of Tencel.

You'll knit the blouse from the bottom of the back, up to and over the shoulders and then finish at the bottom of the front.

Edging stitches in the side seams.

The first 3 stitches of each row are knitted on the right side and purled on the wrong side. When you've finished knitting, you'll sew the sides together and you'll get a stockinette post down each side.

Seed stitch

1st row: *Knit 1, purl 1*.

2nd row: *purl over knit, knit over purl*.

Repeat row 2.

Pattern

Back

Cast on 69 (73) stitches using double thread onto circular needle size H/8.

Knit back and forth on the circular needle. First row is a wrong side row.

Purl 3 edging stitches, seed stitch until you have 3 stitches left, then purl 3 edging stitches.

Knit until your work measures 7 (7.5) inches. Finish with a wrong side row.

Cast off the middle 3 (5) stitches and knit the left shoulder. Put the stitches for the right shoulder on a stitch holder for now.

Left Shoulder

1st row, wrong side: Pattern across all stitches.

2nd row, right side: Knit 2 together, pattern until end of row.

Continue to decrease for the neck of the back by repeating these 2 rows, **at the same time**, when your work measures 10 (10.5) inches, cast off for the arm hole like this: on the wrong side, slip 1 stitch loosely and knit 2 together. Repeat 3 times so you have decreased a total of 4 stitches for the arm hole. Place a stitch marker at the side of the arm hole.

Note: The first stitch is slipped loosely to make a neat edge.

Continue decreasing for the neck of the back until you have 12 (12) stitches left on your needle. Knit in pattern until your work measures 16.5 (18) inches. Place a marker to mark the shoulder.

Now keep knitting over the left front piece.

Left front piece

Knit 2 rows of pattern.

Increase for the neck on the front piece by knitting 1, then in the loop before the next stitch, knit/purl 1 as it fits into the pattern.

Increase on all right side rows until you have 24 (25) stitches left on your needle. Finish with a wrong side row.

Cut your yarn and put the remaining stitches onto a stitch holder for now.

Put your stitches from the right shoulder back on your needles.

Right Shoulder

1st row, wrong side: Knit 2 together, pattern until end of row.

2nd row, right side: Pattern across all stitches.

Continue to decrease for the neck of the back by repeating these 2 rows, **at the same time**, when your work measures 10 (10.5) inches, cast off for the arm hole like this: on the wrong side, slip 1 stitch loosely and knit 2 together. Repeat 3 times so you have decreased a total of 4 stitches for the arm hole. Place a stitch marker at the side of the arm hole.

Note: The first stitch is slipped loosely to make a neat edge.

Continue decreasing for the neck of the back until you have 12 (12) stitches left on your needle. Knit in pattern until your work measures 16.5 (18) inches. Place a marker to mark the shoulder.

Now keep knitting over the right front piece.

Right front piece

Knit 2 rows of pattern.

Increase for the neck on the front piece by knitting 1, then in the loop before the next stitch, knit/purl 1 as it fits into the pattern.

Increase on all right side rows until you have 24 (25) stitches left on your needle. Finish with a wrong side row.

Cast on 13 (15) stitches and put your stitches from the left front piece back on your needle so that you'll now be knitting back and forth over 61 (65) stitches. Watch that you're still in tune with the pattern.

Knit until your work measures the same as the back from the shoulder marker to the arm hole marker, approx. 6 (6.5) inches. Finish with a wrong side row.

Now increase for the arm hole, right side: Slip 1 stitch loosely purl wise, knit 1 into the loop before the next stitch. Repeat on the right side rows until you've increased by 4 stitches = 69 (73) stitches.

Now knit seed stitch with 3 edging stitches at each side seam.

Continue in pattern until your work measures 16.5 (16) inches from the shoulder.

Cast off.

Assembly

Sew the sides together using mattress stitches.

Enjoy!