

NEEDLES: A pair 6.50mm (US 10½), (UK 3) Knitting Needles or size that gives correct tension/gauge. **MATERIALS:** 2 x 250g balls Sean Sheep Filo Grande yarn; 2 Stitch Holders; A Yarn Needle.

MEASUREMENTS:

Age (approx) Fits Underarm cm To Measure cm Length cm Sleeve Length cm

ABBREVIATIONS:

alt	alternate	beg	begin/ning
cont	continue	foll	following
inc	increasing	K	knit
Р	purl	rem	remaining
rep	repeat	RS	right side
st/s	stitch/es	WS	wrong side

TENSION: 13 sts and 18 rows to 10 cms/4 ins over stocking st, using 6.50mm (US 10½), (UK 3) Knitting Needles. Note - Correct tension/gauge is essential for a successful handknit.

BACK

Using 6.50mm (US 10½), (UK 3) Needles, cast on **50** (54-**58**-62) sts.

1st row: (RS) - K2, * P2, K2, rep from * to end.

2nd row: - P2, * K2, P2, rep from * to end.

Rep 1st and 2nd rows 4 times, dec 2 sts evenly across last row = 48 (52-56-60) sts, 10 rows rib in total.

Work in stocking st until work measures **29** (32-**34**- 37) cms /11 (12½-13-14½) ins from beg, ending with a purl row.

Shape armholes - Cast/bind off **3** (3-**4**-4) sts at beg of next 2 rows = **42** (46-**48**-52) sts.

Dec one st at each end of next row, then in every foll alt row until **36** (40-**42**-44) sts rem. **

Work **19** (19-**23**-23) rows without shaping.

Shape back neck - Next row - K11 (12-13-14), turn. Cont on these 11 (12-13-14) sts and dec one st at neck edge in next row.

Shape shoulder - Next row - Cast/bind off **4** (5-**5**-6) sts, knit to last 2 sts, K2toq. Work 1 row.

Cast/bind off rem 5 (5-6-6) sts.

Slip next **14** (16-**16**-16) sts onto a stitch holder and leave. With RS facing, join yarn to rem **11** (12-**13**-14) sts and knit to end.

Dec one st at neck edge in every row twice = 9 (10-11-12) sts. **Shape shoulder** - Cast/bind off 4 (5-5-6) sts at beg of next row. Work 1 row. Cast/bind off rem 5 (5-6-6) sts.

FRONT

Work as for Back to **.

Work 11 (11-15-15) rows without shaping.

Shape neck - Next row - K14 (15-16-17), turn.

Cont on these **14** (15-**16**-17) sts and dec one st at neck edge in every row until **12** (13-**14**-15) sts rem, then in every foll alt row until **9** (10-**11**-12) sts rem. Work 1 row.

Shape shoulder - Cast/bind off 4 (5-5-6) sts at beg of next row. Work 1 row. Cast/bind off rem 5 (5-6-6) sts.

Slip next 8 (10-10-10) sts onto a stitch holder and leave.

With RS facing, join yarn to rem **14** (15-**16**-17) sts and complete to correspond with other side of neck.

SLEEVE (make 2)

Using 6.50mm (US 10½), (UK 3) Needles, cast on **26** (26-**30**-30) sts.

Work 10 rows rib as for lower band of Back. Work 2 rows stocking st.

Cont in stocking st, inc one st at each end of next row, then in every foll **6th** (8th-**10th**-10th) row until there are **38** (38-**40**-42) sts.

Cont without shaping until work measures **28** (33-**38**-40) cms /**11** (13-**15**-16) ins from beg, ending with a purl row. **Shape top** - Cast/bind off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows

Dec one st at each end of next row, then in every foll alt row until 20 sts rem, then in every row until 14 sts rem. Cast/bind off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Cast/bind off rem 6 sts.

NECKBAND

= **34** (34-**36**-38) sts.

Using yarn needle and mattress st seam, join right shoulder seam. With RS facing and using 6.50mm (US 10½), (UK 3) Needles, knit up 12 sts evenly along left front neck, knit across sts from front stitch holder, knit up 12 sts evenly along right front neck, 4 sts evenly along right back neck, knit across sts from back stitch holder, then knit up 4 sts evenly along left back neck = **54** (58-**58**-58) sts. Work 9 rows rib as for lower band of Back, beg with a 2nd row. Cast/bind off in rib.

FINISHING

DO NOT PRESS. Using yarn needle, darn in ends. Using yarn needle and mattress st seam, join left shoulder and neckband seam. Join side and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves.

