



## COTTON CLASSIC SIDE-TO-SIDE GARTER STITCH VEST

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EASY

### SIZES

Small (Medium, Large, X-Large)

### KNITTED MEASUREMENTS

**Waist** 30 (34, 37, 39)"/76 (86.5, 94, 99) cm

**Length** 17 (18½, 18¾, 19½)"/43 (47, 47.5, 49.5) cm

### MATERIALS

- 9 (10, 11, 12) skeins Tahki Yarns **COTTON CLASSIC** 100% mercerized cotton (1.75oz/50g;108yds/100m) in **color #3752 Dark Celery**
- One pair size 9 (5.5 mm) needles
- OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE**
- Stitch markers
- Stitch holders
- Yarn needle

### GAUGE

14 sts and 26 rows =4"/10cm in Garter Stitch holding 2 strands of yarn together

### TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE

### PATTERN STITCHES

**Garter Stitch:** knit every row

**Stockinette Stitch (St st):** knit all RS rows, purl all WS rows

### NOTES

*Vest is worked with two strands of yarn held together throughout.*

*It is worked in one piece from side to side.*

### VEST

#### Left Arm

Holding 2 strands of yarn together, cast on 48 (54, 58, 62) sts.

Work in Garter st for 2".

**Next Row (RS)** K23 (26, 28, 30), place marker, k2, place marker, k23 (26, 28, 30).

Purl 1 row.

**Inc Row (RS)** K1, M1, knit to first marker, M1, k2, M1, knit to last st, M1, k1 – 52 (58, 62, 66) sts.

Purl 1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows 6 times more – 76 (82, 86, 90) sts.

**Next Row (RS)** Cast on 7 sts at beginning of row, knit to first marker, M1, k2, M1, knit to end of row.

**Next Row** Cast on 7 sts at beginning of row, purl to end of row – 92 (98, 102, 106) sts. Change to Garter St.

### **Left Shoulder**

**Inc Row** Working in Garter st, knit to first marker, M1, k2, M1, knit to end of row – 94 (100, 104, 108) sts.

Knit 1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 more times – 122 (128, 132, 136) sts.

Work 0 (4, 8, 8) rows in Garter st.

### **Divide for Front and Back**

**Next Row (RS)** Work 61 (64, 66, 68) sts for Back, slip remaining 61 (64, 66, 68) sts to a stitch holder for Front.

### **Back Neck**

Working on 61 (64, 66, 68) sts, work in Garter st for 6 (6½, 7, 8)". Cut yarn and slip sts to a stitch holder, ending with a RS row.

### **Left Front Neck**

**Next Row (RS)** Working stitches from Front stitch holder, bind off 8 sts, work to end of row.

Dec 1 st at the beginning of every RS row 6 times – 47 (50, 52, 54) sts.

Work in Garter st for 6 (8, 10, 12) rows. Bind off.

### **Right Front Neck**

Cast on 47 (50, 52, 54) sts.

Work in Garter st for 6 (8, 10, 12) rows. Inc 1 st at beginning of RS row 6 times for Neck edge – 53 (56, 58, 60) sts.

Cast on 8 sts at Neck edge once – 61 (64, 66, 68) sts.

### **Join for Right Shoulder**

**Next Row (WS)** K60 (63, 65, 67) sts from Front, place marker, k2, place marker, k60 (63, 65, 67) sts from Back holder – 122 (128, 132, 136) sts.

Work in Garter st for 0 (4, 8, 8) rows.

**Dec Row (RS)** Working in Garter st, knit to 2 sts before first marker, ssk, k2, k2tog, knit to end of row – 120 (126, 130, 134) sts.

Knit 1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 more times – 92 (98, 102, 106) sts.

### **Right Arm**

Change to St st.

**Next Row (RS)** Bind off 7 sts at beginning of row, knit to 2 sts before first marker, ssk, k2, k2tog, knit to end of row.

**Next Row** Bind off 7 sts at beginning of row, purl to end of row – 76 (82, 86, 90) sts.

**Dec Row (RS)** K1, ssk, knit to 2 sts before first marker, k2tog, k2, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 72 (78, 82, 86) sts.

Purl 1 row.

Repeat last 2 rows 6 times more – 48 (54, 58, 62) sts.

Work in Garter st for 2". Bind off.

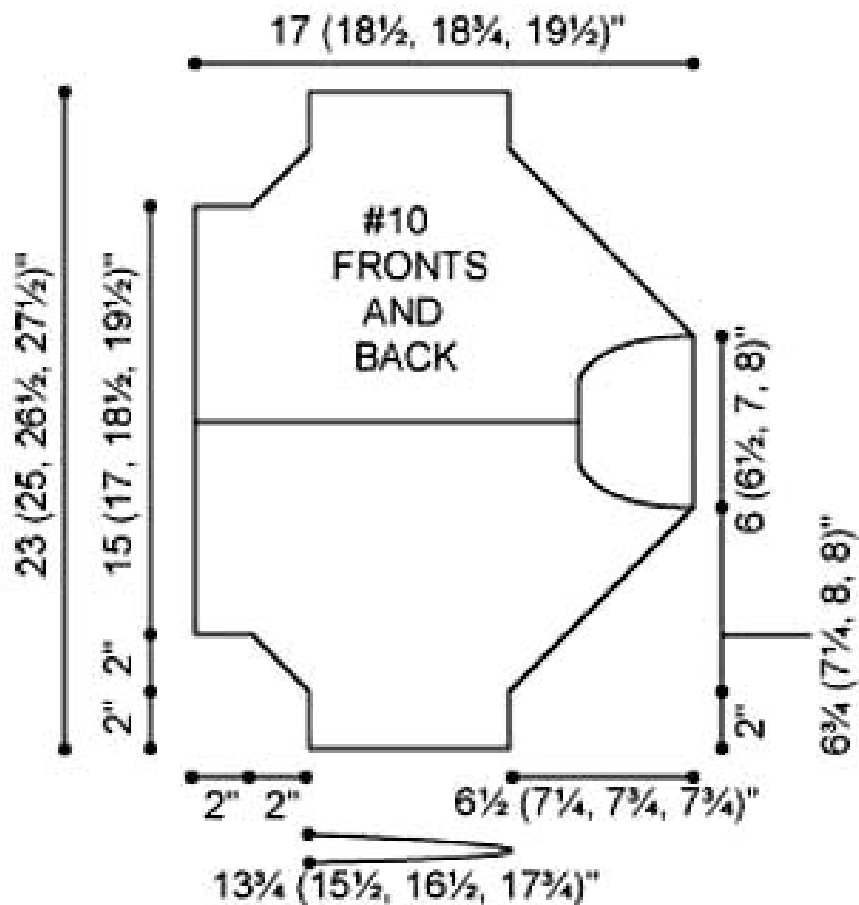
### **FINISHING**

Block pieces to measurements. Sew side seams.

### **Neck Edging**

With RS facing and holding 2 strands of yarn together, join yarn at Right Front neck and pick up and knit 70 (74, 78, 86) sts around neck.

Work in Garter st for 10 rows. Bind off. Weave in ends.



### ABBREVIATIONS

dec	decreas(e)(ing)
inc	increase(e)(ing)
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together
M1	Make 1 (inc) – <i>Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and work through back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole [knit or purl as indicated by pattern st].</i>
p	purl
RS	right side
ssk	slip, slip, knit (dec)
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side