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Diagonal knit wrap tunic

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Size: 38/40 (42/44)



Materials: 400g Zartbitter col. 2181 **"XL Kleckse"** (100% merino wool, 400m/100g), US size 3 circular 32"/3 mm, 80 cm needle, stitch markers

Garter st: Knit every row

Gauge: 27 sts and 46 rows = 10 x 10 cm in garter st

Note: Use stitch markers to denote where incs and decs occur.

Back: CO 17 sts and knit in garter st, working row 1 as a WS row. Next, on the right side of every 2nd row, CO 17 new sts 7 times and incorporate into pattern - 136 sts. Work straight (even) for 6 rows. For armhole shaping, inc on every 2nd row 1 st 3 times, 2 sts twice, and 37 sts once (43 sts once), incorporate into pattern – 180 (186) sts. Knit even for 8 (10) cm (corresponds to shoulder width). Begin with the neck edge as folls: at the beg of the next row on the right side, BO 4 sts once. Cont to BO on every 4th row 1 st 4 times. Work 22 rows without decs. This is the middle of the neck cutout. Mirroring the other side, knit the next 22 rows. Then, on every 4th row inc 1 st 4 times and after 2 rows, inc 4 more sts once - 180 (186) sts. Knit even for 8 (10) cm (corresponds to shoulder width). On the right edge of every 2nd row BO 37 sts once (43 sts once), 2 sts twice and 1 st 3 times - 136 sts. Work straight (even) for 6 rows. Then, on every 2nd row BO 17 sts 8 times.

Left Front (knit diagonally): CO 158 (164) sts (this will be the front edge) and knit in garter st, working row 1 as a WS row. For the slant of the side seams on the RS, inc on every 2nd row 3 sts 19 times and incorporate into pattern. AT THE SAME TIME on the left side for the collar, inc on every 8th row 1 st 3 times - 218 (224) sts. On the left edge of the foll WS row, BO 27 sts for the collar - 191 (197) sts. For shoulder, inc on every 3rd row 1 st 6 times and on every 4th row 1 st once. AT THE SAME TIME on the right edge (seam) on every alt 3rd and 4th row, dec 1 st 27 times, then cont to dec on every 4th row (until there are no more sts), dec 1 st. After 8 (10) cm for the armhole, dec on the left edge of every 2nd row 2 sts 15 times and on every 4th row 1 st twice (on every 2nd row 2 sts 11 times and 3 sts 4 times, and on every 4th row 2 sts twice). Work even for 6 rows. For the side seam on the left edge, dec 2 sts on every 2nd row until there are no more sts.

Right Front: Work as for left front (shoulder shaping on the right, forming the side seam on the left).

Finishing: Block all pieces and let dry under damp towels. Sew the side and shoulder seams closed (see schematics below), allowing the right front to overlap 20 cm of the left front. It is helpful to pin before sewing. Sew both collar edges together and then sew the bound off edge of the collar to the back. For the armholes, pick up and knit 80 (92) sts, work 3 rnds of garter st, then BO all sts.

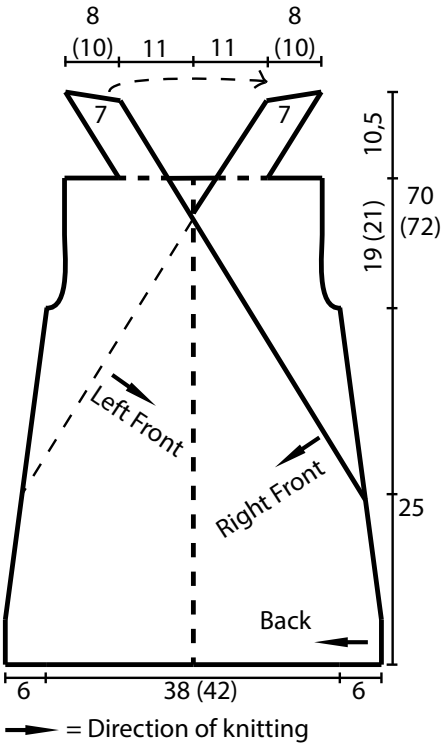
Abbreviations

alt = alternate
beg = beginning
BO = bind of
CO = cast on
cont = continue/continuously
dec = decrease(s)/decreasing
inc(s) = increase(s)/increasing
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
st(s) = stitch(es)
WS = wrong side

Difficulty

easy
intermediate
difficult

Schematic





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