



*The original booklet printed in 1939 said of this sweater, “Soft but sophisticated, this slim ribbed cardigan adapts itself to many occasions.” This is just as true for our updated version of this classic style!*

**Directions are for size Small; changes for sizes Medium, Large, XLarge and XXLarge are in parentheses.**

**Finished Bust:** 28 (32, 36, 40, 44)”.  
**Finished Length:** 20½ (21, 2½, 24, 25½,)”.

**RED HEART® “LusterSheen®”:** 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) skeins  
0824 Medium Blue.

**Circular Knitting Needles:** 3.25mm [US 3] and 3.75mm [US 5] 29” long.

Stitch markers, stitch holders, five 7/8”-diameter buttons (bohemian glass retro buttons), yarn needle.

**GAUGE:** 24 sts = 4”; 28 rows = 4” in K1, p2 rib slightly stretched. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge given.**

**NOTE:** Sweater is worked back and forth in rows. Circular needles are used to accommodate large number of stitches.

**K2, p2 Rib (Multiple of 4 + 2 sts)**

**Row 1 (Right Side):** K2, \* p2, k2; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 2:** P2, \* k2, p2; repeat form \* to end.

Repeat Rows 1 – 2 for K2, p2 rib.



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### Body

With smaller needles, cast on 254 (282, 310, 338, 366) sts.

**Row 1 (Right Side):** Work in K1, p1 rib over first 14 sts for right front band, place marker, work in K2, p2 rib across row to last 14 sts, place marker, k1, p1 rib to end for left front band.

Keeping first and last 14 sts in K1, p1 rib, and sts between markers in K2, p2 rib throughout, work even until piece measures 1", end by working a wrong side row.

**Next Row (Buttonhole Row):** Rib 5 sts, bind off 4 sts, work in pattern as established across.

**Next Row:** Cast on 4 sts over bound off sts from previous row.

Work in pattern as established and repeat Buttonhole Row every 2½" for 5 buttonholes **AND AT THE SAME TIME** when piece measures 4" from beginning, change to larger needles. Continue even until piece measures 12 (12, 13, 14, 15)," end by working a wrong side row.

### Divide for Front and Back

**Next Row:** Work across first 70 (78, 84, 92, 98) sts for Right Front, bind off next 4 (6, 8, 10, 10) sts, work across 110 (120, 134, 144, 160) sts for Back, place remaining 70 (78, 84, 92, 98) sts for Left Front on holder. **Next Row:** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 10) sts, work across remaining 106 (114, 126, 134, 150) Back sts; place remaining 70 (78, 84, 92, 98) sts for Right Front on holder.

### Back

Working on sts for Back only, bind off 2 sts at beginning of next 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) rows, then dec 1 st at beginning and end of every right side row 5 (5, 6, 5, 8) times—88 (92, 98, 104, 110) sts. Work even until armhole measures 8 (8½, 9, 9½, 10)", end by working a wrong side row.

### Shape Back Neck and Shoulders

**Next Row:** Work across first 34 (36, 38, 40, 42) sts, bind off next 20 (20, 22, 24, 26) sts for back neck, work to end of row. Working on these \* 34 (36, 38, 40, 42) sts, bind off 5 sts at neck edge twice—24 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts. Place sts on a holder. Join yarn to remaining sts and repeat from \*.

### Right Front

#### Shape Armhole and Neck

Slip 70 (78, 84, 92, 98) sts from holder for Right Front to larger needles. Join yarn to wrong side and bind off first 4

(6, 8, 10, 10) sts, work in pattern to end of row—66 (72, 76, 82, 88) sts.

**Next Row (Dec):** Work across 14 band sts, dec 1 st after marker, work in pattern to end of row. Repeat Dec Row every other row 9 (11, 14, 16, 22) times more, then every 4th row 8 (8, 7, 7, 5) times more **AND AT THE SAME TIME** shape armhole as follows: dec 1 st at armhole edge every right side row 10 (12, 12, 14, 14) times—38 (40, 42, 44, 46) sts. Work even until armhole measures 8½ (9, 9½, 10, 10½)" end by working a wrong side row

**Next Row (Right Side):** Work across 14 band sts, slip remaining 24 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts to holder. Work band sts for 2¾ (2¾, 3, 3¼, 3¼)". Slip sts to holder.

### Left Front

#### Shape Armhole and Neck

Slip 70 (78, 84, 92, 98) sts from holder for Left Front to larger needles. Join yarn to right side at armhole edge and bind off first 4 (6, 8, 10, 10) sts, work in pattern as established to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, work to end of row—66 (72, 76, 82, 88) sts. Continue to dec 1 st before marker every other row other row 9 (11, 14, 16, 22) times more, then every 4th row 8 (8, 7, 7, 5) times more **AND AT THE SAME TIME** shape armhole as follows: dec 1 st every right side row at armhole edge 10 (12, 12, 14, 14) times—38 (40, 42, 44, 46) sts. Work even until armhole measures 8½ (9, 9½, 10, 10½)" end by working a wrong side row.

**Next Row (Right Side):** Work across 14 band sts, slip remaining 24 (26, 28, 30, 32) sts to holder. Work band sts for 2¾ (2¾, 3, 3¼, 3¼)". Slip sts to holder.

### Sleeves (make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 74 (78, 82, 86, 94) sts. Work in K2, p2 rib 1½ (1½, 1½, 2, 2)", end by working a wrong side row.

**Next Row (Right Side):** Inc 1 st in each purl rib across row—92 (97, 102, 107, 117) sts.

### Shape Sleeve

Change to larger needles, and work K2, p3 rib shaping sleeve by inc 1 st at the beginning and end of every right side row 5 (5, 6, 6, 7) times—102 (107, 114, 119, 131) sts. Work even until piece measures 4½ (4½, 5, 5, 5½)", end by working a wrong side row.



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**Shape Cap**

**Next Row:** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 10) sts at the beginning of next 2 rows—94 (95, 98, 99, 111) sts. Dec 1 st at beginning and end of every right side row twice— 90 (91, 94, 95, 107) sts. Work even until piece measures 10 (10½, 11½, 12, 13)", end by working a wrong side row. Bind off 4 sts at beginning of every row 12 times. Bind off remaining 42 (43, 46, 47, 59) sts.

**Make Pleats**

With right side facing, find center 3 knit rib sts on right side of sleeve. Beginning at bind off edge, sew rib sts together for 2", sewing down rib along adjoining purl sts. Make 6 pleats on either side of center pleat. (13 pleats total).

**Shoulder Pads (Make 2)**

With smaller needles, cast on 26 sts. Work in St st until piece measures 2" end by working a wrong side row. Bind off. Fold piece in half and sew cast on edge to bind off edge gathering slightly. Sew in top of sleeve seam.

**FINISHING**

Join shoulders with 3-Needle Bind off as follows: Slip sts from first half onto knitting needle. With wrong sides facing, and points of both needles pointing to the right, use spare needle to \* knit the first st from the front needle together with the first st from the back needle. Knit the next st from each needle in the same manner, then bind off 1 st. Repeat from \* until all sts have been bound off. Fasten off last st. Repeat for back neck band. Sew in place.

Set in sleeves. Sew sleeve seams. Sew on buttons to correspond to buttonholes. Weave in yarn ends.



**RED HEART® "LusterSheen®",**  
Art. E721 available in 4 oz (113 g), 335 yd (306 m) skeins.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** Dec = decrease; inc = increase; k = knit; mm = millimeters; p = purl; st(s) = stitch(es); St st = Stockinette stitch; tog = together; \* or \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.

