

Patons
Astra

SWEET RED TUNIC

SIZES

Chest measurement

6 mos	16	ins	[41	cm]
12 mos	18	ins	[45	cm]
18 mos	20	ins	[51	cm]
2 yrs	22	ins	[56	cm]

Finished chest

6 mos	20	ins	[51	cm]
12 mos	22	ins	[56	cm]
18 mos	25	ins	[63.5	cm]
24 mos	27½	ins	[70	cm]

TENSION

24 sts and 32 rows = 4 ins [10 cm]
with larger needles in stocking st.

MATERIALS

Patons Astra (50 g/1.75 oz)

Size 6 12 18 24 mos

Main color (Red)

1	1	2	2	balls
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Contrast A (Ombre)

2	2	3	3	balls
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Sizes 3.25 mm (U.S. 3) and 3.75 mm (U.S. 5) knitting needles **or size needed to obtain tension.** 2 st holders. 2 buttons for size 6 mos only.

ABBREVIATIONS

P3W = purl next st wrapping yarn 3 times

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus ().

BACK

With MC and smaller needles cast on 59 (67-75-83**) sts.

***Work 5 (**5-7-7**) rows garter st (knit every row), noting that first row is WS.

Next row: (RS). K1. *With yarn at back of work, take right-hand needle to back around cast on edge. Pick up yarn and bring loop to front of work. Place loop onto left-hand needle. Knit loop and next st on left-hand needle tog. K3. Rep from * across, ending last rep with K1.

Next row: Knit.***

Change to larger needles and proceed in pat as follows:

1st row: (RS) With A, knit.

2nd row: With A, P1. *P3W. P3. Rep from * to last 2 sts. P3W. P1.

3rd row: With MC, K1. *Sl1P, dropping extra loops. K3. Rep from * to last 2 sts. Sl1P, dropping extra loops. K1.

4th row: With MC, P1. *Sl1P. P3. Rep from * to last 2 sts. Sl1P. P1.

5th row: With MC, K1. *Sl1P. K3. Rep from * to last 2 sts. Sl1P. K1.

6th row: As 4th row.

7th row: With A, knit.

8th row: With A, P3. *P3W. P3. Rep from * to end of row.

9th row: With MC, K3. *Sl1P, dropping extra loops. K3. Rep from * to end of row.

10th row: With MC, P3. *Sl1P. P3. Rep from * to end of row.

11th row: With MC, K3. *Sl1P. K3. Rep from * to end of row.

12th row: As 10th row.

These 12 rows form slip st pat.

Cont in pat until work from beg measures approx $5\frac{1}{2}$ (**6-7½-8**) ins [14 (**15.5-19-20.5**) cm], ending with a 6th or 12th row of pat.**

With A, proceed in stocking st until Back from beg measures 10 (**11-13-14**) ins [25.5 (**28-33-35.5**) cm] ending with RS facing for next row.

Shoulder shaping: Next row: Cast off 14 (**17-20-24**) sts. Pat across next 31 (**33-35-35**) sts (inc st on needle after cast off) and place on a st holder. Cast off rem 14 (**17-20-24**) sts.



ABBREVIATIONS: www.patonsyarns.com/glossary

FRONT

Work from ** to ** as given for Back. With A, proceed in stocking st until Front from beg measures $8\frac{1}{2}$ (**9 $\frac{1}{4}$ -11-12**) ins [21.5 (**23.5-28-30.5**) cm] ending with RS facing for next row.

Neck shaping: Next row: K20 (**23-26-30**) (neck edge). **Turn.**

Leave rem sts on a spare needle. Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 6 rows. 14 (**17-20-24**) sts.

Cont even until Front from beg measures same length as Back to shoulder, ending with RS facing for next row. Cast off.

With RS of work facing, slip next 19 (**21-23-23**) sts onto a st holder. Join yarn to rem 20 (**23-26-30**) sts and knit to end of row.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 6 rows. 14 (**17-20-24**) sts.

Cont even until Front from beg measures same length as Back to shoulder, ending with RS facing for next row. Cast off.

SLEEVES

With MC and smaller needles cast on 39 (**43-47-47**) sts.

Work from *** to *** as given for Back. Change to A and larger needles and proceed in stocking st inc 1 st at each end of needle on next and following 4th rows until there are 55 (**61-67-71**) sts.

Cont even until Sleeve from beg measures $6\frac{1}{2}$ (**7-7 $\frac{1}{2}$ -8 $\frac{1}{2}$**) ins [16.5 (**18-19-21.5**) cm] ending with RS facing for next row. Cast off.

FINISHING

Pin garment pieces to measurements. Cover with a damp cloth leaving to dry.

With MC, embroider lazy daisy st onto upper Front as illustrated.

Neckband: Sew right shoulder seam. With right side of work facing, MC and smaller needles, pick up and knit 10 (**11-12-12**) sts down left front neck edge. Knit across 19 (**21-23-23**) sts from front holder. Pick up and knit 10 (**11-12-12**) sts up right front neck edge.

Knit across 31 (**33-35-35**) sts from back neck holder dec 1 st at centre. 69 (**75-81-81**) sts. Beg with a purl row, work 5 (**5-7-7**) rows stocking st. Cast off.

Size 6 mos only: Sew left shoulder seam leaving 2 ins [5 cm] open from neck edge.

With right side of work facing, smaller needles and MC, pick up and knit 26 sts around shoulder opening.

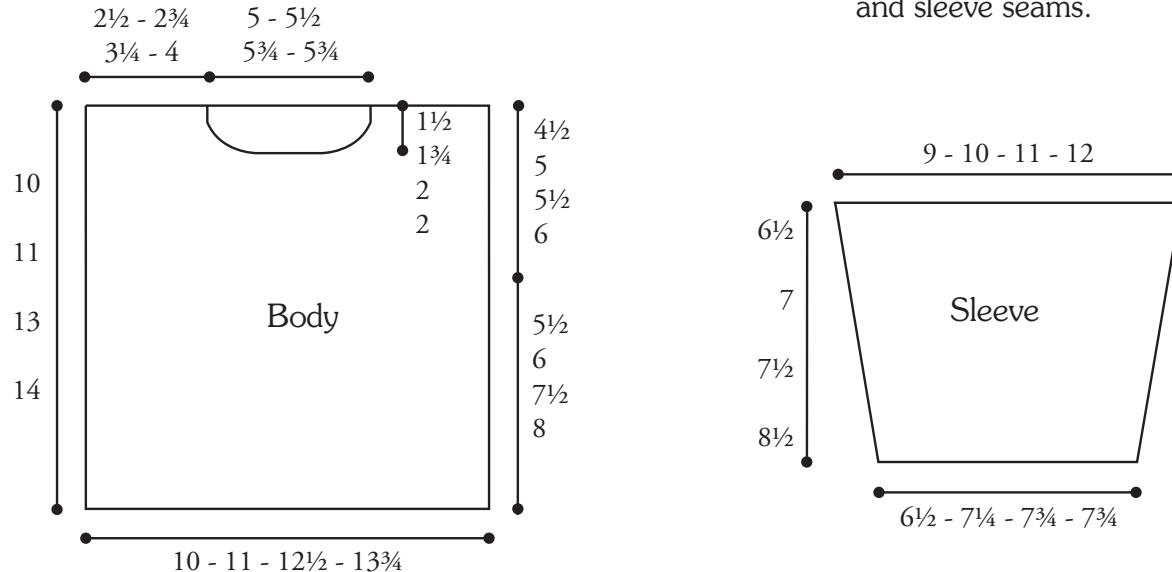
Next row: Knit.

Cast off purlways.

Make 2 button loops, evenly spaced along front of shoulder opening. Sew buttons onto back of shoulder opening to correspond with button loops.

Sizes 12 mos, 18 mos and 2 yrs only: Sew left shoulder and neckband seam.

All sizes: Place markers on Front and Back side edges $4\frac{1}{2}$ (**5-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6**) ins [11.5 (**12.5-14-15.5**) cm] down from shoulder seams. Sew in Sleeves between markers. Sew side and sleeve seams.



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