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KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: EASY

ABBREVIATIONS

Alt = Alternate(ing)
Approx = Approximately
Beg = Begin(ning)
Cont = Continue(ity)
Dec = Decrease(ing)
K = Knit
K5-Wrap = Slip 5 sts from left hand needle to cable needle and hold to front (RS of work). Pull working yarn across back of 5 stitches and proceed to wrap the working yarn around stitches on the cable needle from back to front 3 times. Slip 5 stitches to right hand needle.
K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together
P = Purl
Pat = Pattern

PM = Place marker
Rem = Remain(ing)(s)
Rep = Repeat
RS = Right side
SM = Slip marker
Ssk = Slip next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together.
St(s) = Stitch(es)
Tog = Together
W&T = Bring yarn to front of work. Slip next stitch purlwise. Bring yarn to back of work. Slip stitch back onto left-hand needle. Turn.
WS = Wrong side

MATERIALS

Sizes	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
Red Heart® It's A Wrap Rainbow™ (5.29 oz/150 g; 623 yds/570 m)							
Contrast A Nautical (9938)	3	3	3	3	3	4	4 balls
Red Heart® It's A Wrap Sprinkles™ (5.29 oz/150 g; 623 yds/570 m)							
Contrast B Cupcake (9812)	3	3	3	3	3	4	4 balls

Size U.S. 8 (5 mm) circular knitting needle 29" [73.5 cm] long. Spare needle for 3-needle bind off size U.S. 8 (5 mm) **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Tapestry needle. Scrap yarn or stitch holders. 2 stitch markers. Cable needle.

SIZES

To fit bust measurement

XS	28-30" [71-76 cm]
S	32-34" [81-86 cm]
M	36-38" [91.5-96.5 cm]
L	40-42" [101.5-106.5 cm]
XL	44-46" [111.5-117 cm]
2XL	48"-50" [122-127 cm]
3XL	52-54" [132-137 cm]

Finished bust measurement (excluding front bands)

XS	29" [73.5 cm]
S	33" [84 cm]
M	36" [91.5 cm]
L	41" [104 cm]
XL	45" [115 cm]
2XL	50" [127 cm]
3XL	53" [134.5 cm]

GAUGE

20 sts and 26 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking st.

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger size(s) the instructions will be written thus (.). Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.

Note: To maintain consistent color changes, join new ball of yarn to match last color change of previous ball. This will help to ensure stripe repeat will match as closely as possible.

Holding A and B tog, and using circular needle, cast on **185** (**209-221-245-269-293-305**) sts using long tail cast on. Note that a tutorial for the long tail cast on may be found [here](#), with the relevant portion starting at 1m 25s.

Do not join. Working back and forth across needle in rows, proceed as follows:

BODY

1st row: (WS). (P2. K2) 5 times. PM. **K145** (**169-181-205-229-253-265**). PM. *K2. P2 Rep from * to end of row.

2nd row: (RS). *K2. P2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Knit to next marker. SM. **P2. K2. Rep from ** to end of row.

3rd row: *P2. K2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Knit to next marker. SM. **K2. P2. Rep from ** to end of row.

Rep 2nd and 3rd rows twice more.

Beg working in pat as follows:

1st, 3rd, 5th, and 7th rows: (RS). *K2. P2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Knit to next marker. **P2. K2. Rep from ** to end of row.

2nd, 4th, 6th, and 8th rows: (WS). *P2. K2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Purl to next marker. SM. **K2. P2. Rep from ** to end of row.

9th row: (RS). *K2. P2 Rep from * to marker. SM. K1. (K3. 5-wrap. K4) **12** (**14-15-17-19-21-22**) times. SM. **P2. K2. Rep from ** to end of row.

10th, 12th, 14th, and 16th rows: *P2. K2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Purl to next marker. SM. **K2. P2. Rep from ** to end of row.

11th, 13th, 15th, and 17th rows: (RS). *K2. P2 Rep from * to marker. SM. Knit to next marker. SM. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row.

18th row: (WS). *P2. K2 Rep from * to marker. SM. P6. (P4. 5-wrap. P3) **11** (**13-14-16-18-20-21**) times. P7. SM. **K2. P2. Rep from ** to end of row.

Rep last 18 rows until work from beg measures approx 16½" [42 cm] ending after an 8th row.

Divide for Fronts and Back:

Next Row: Work across **52** (**59-59-65-71-76-77**) sts in pat (Right Front). Place **52** (**59-59-65-71-76-77**) sts just worked on scrap yarn. Cast off **6** (**6-8-10-12-16-16**) sts for armhole (1 st rem on right needle). Work across **68** (**78-86-94-102-108-118**) sts in pat (Back). Cast off **6** (**6-8-10-12-16-16**) sts for armhole (1 st rem on right needle). Work across **51** (**58-58-64-70-75-76**) sts in pat (Left Front). Place **52** (**59-59-65-71-76-77**) sts just worked on scrap yarn. Break yarn.

BACK

With WS facing, join A and B to Back of Vest.

Keeping cont of Stitch Pat, dec 1 st at each end of every RS row **2** (**3-4-4-4-5-4**) times. **65** (**73-79-87-95-99-111**) sts for back.

Work even until armhole measures **8** (**8½-9-9½-10-10½-11**)" [**20.5** (**21.5-23-24-25.5-26.5-28**) cm], ending on a WS row.

Shape shoulders:

1st row: (RS). Work in pat to last 7 (8-9-9-10-11-12) sts. W&T.

2nd row: (WS). Work in pat to last 7 (8-9-9-10-11-12) sts. W&T.

3rd and 4th rows: Work in pat to 5 (6-7-7-8-9-10) sts before last turn W&T.

5th and 6th rows: Work in pat to end of row, picking up all wraps.

7th row: K18 (21-24-24-27-30-33). Cast off next 29 (31-31-39-41-39-45) sts, knit to end. Place 18 (21-24-24-27-30-33) sts for each shoulder on waste yarn or stitch holder.

RIGHT FRONT

Note: When joining yarn for the fronts, try to match where the yarns from the previous balls ended as closely as possible by winding off excess yarn. Make sure to pay attention to the order in which the yarns are wound into the balls. You will need to use two separate sets of balls in order to make the fronts match as closely as possible.

With WS facing, join A and B to Right Front of Vest.

Next row: (WS). Purl to marker. SM. *K2. P2. Rep from * to end of row. Cont in pat as established, dec 1 st at the armhole edge every RS row 2 (3-4-4-4-5-4) times, ending on a WS row. 50 (56-55-61-67-71-73) sts.

Shape neck:

Next row (dec row): (RS). *K2. P2. Rep from * to marker. SM. K1. ssk. Work in pat to end of row. 1 st dec.

Rep dec row every 4th row 3 times more, and then every other row 7 (10-6-12-15-16-15) times. 39 (42-45-45-48-51-54) sts.

Work even until armhole measures same as Back, ending with a WS row.

Shape shoulder:

Note: When you encounter wrapped sts, pick up wrap, placing it onto left-hand needle and working next st tog with wrap for each wrapped st.

1st row: (RS). *K2. P2. rep from * to marker. SM. Work in pat to last 7 (8-9-9-10-11-12) sts. W&T.

2nd row: (WS). Purl to marker. SM. *K2. P2. Rep from * to end of row.

3rd row: *K2. P2. Rep from * to marker. SM. Work in pat to 5 (6-7-7-8-9-10) sts before last turn. W&T.

4th row: Purl to marker. SM. *K2. P2. Rep from * to end of row.

5th row: *K2. P2. Rep from * to marker. SM. Work in pat to end of row, picking up all wraps.

Next row: (WS). Place next 18 (21-24-24-27-30-33) sts on waste yarn or holder for shoulder. P1. *K2. P2. Rep from * to end of row. 21 sts.

RIGHT COLLAR

1st row: (RS). *K2. P2. Rep from * to last st. K1.

2nd row: (WS). P1. *K2. P2. Rep from * to end of row. .

Rep last 2 rows until collar measures 3 (3-3-4-4-4-4½)" [7.5 (7.5-7.5-10-10-10-11.5) cm]. Bind off all sts.

LEFT FRONT

With WS facing, join A and B to Left Front of Vest.

Next row: (WS). *P2. K2. Rep from * to marker. SM. Purl to end of row.

Cont in pat as established, dec 1 st at the armhole edge every RS

row 2 (3-4-4-4-5-4) times, ending on a WS row. 50 (56-55-61-67-71-73) sts.

Shape neck:

Next row (dec row): (RS). Work in pat to 3 sts before marker. K2tog. K1. SM. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row. 1 st dec.

Rep dec row every 4th row 3 times more, and then every other row 7 (10-6-12-15-16-15) times. 39 (42-45-45-48-51-54) sts.

Work even until armhole measures same as Right Front, ending with a RS row.

Shape shoulder:

1st row: (WS). *P2. K2. Rep from * to marker. SM. Purl to last 7 (8-9-9-10-11-12) sts. W&T.

2nd row: Work in pat to marker. SM. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row.

3rd row: *P2. K2. Rep from * to marker. SM. purl to 5 (6-7-7-8-9-10) sts before last turn. W&T.

4th row: Work in pat to marker., SM. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row.

5th row: *P2. K2. Rep from * to marker. SM. Purl to end of row,

picking up wraps.

Next row: (RS). Place next **18 (21-24-24-27-30-33)** sts on waste yarn or holder for shoulder. K1. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row. 21 sts.

LEFT COLLAR

1st row: (WS). *P2. K2. Rep from * to last st. P1.

2nd row: (RS). K1. *P2. K2. Rep from * to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows until collar measures **3 (3-3-4-4-4-4½)" [7.5 (7.5-7.5-10-10-10-11.5) cm]**. Bind off all sts.

FINISHING

Block pieces to measurements.

Seam shoulders using 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.

Weave in yarn ends.

Seam bound off collar sts tog.. Sew selvedge edge of collar along back neck.

Work Armhole Trim: With RS facing and circular needle, beg at center of underarm, pick up and knit **3 (3-4-5-6-8-8)** sts evenly along cast off sts, then pick up and knit 4 sts for every 5 rows all the way back to underarm, then pick up and knit **(3-4-5-6-8-8)** sts along other side of cast off sts. Cast off purlwise.

