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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft Essentials™:
6 (6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12) balls 7405 Greyhound **A**

RED HEART® Soft Essentials Stripes™: 1 (1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2) ball(s) 7940 Maritime Stripe **B**

GAUGE: 13 sts = 4" (10 cm); 17 rows = 4" (10 cm) with 5.5mm [US 9] needle. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge** given.

5 BULKY **RED HEART® Soft Essentials™,** Art. E856 available in 5 oz (140 g), 131 yd (120 m) balls

5 BULKY **RED HEART® Soft Essentials Stripes™,** Art. E857 available in 4 oz (113 g), 110 yd (101 m) balls

SHOP KIT

Fair Isle Sweater Coat

If you've been wanting to try out the Fair Isle technique, this sweater coat is a great place to start! The striping colorway you choose will do a lot of the work for you, and you'll have less ends to weave in.

More of what you will need...

Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needles: 5.5mm [US 9] (gauge needle), and 6mm [US 10] 32" (81.3 cm) or longer

Susan Bates® Double Pointed Knitting Needles: One set each 5mm [US 8] and 5.5mm [US 9]

Stitch markers, scrap yarn or stitch holders, buttons, yarn needle

Directions are for size X-Small. Changes for sizes Small, Medium, Large, X-Large, XX-Large and XXX-Large are in parentheses.

To Fit Bust/Chest: 28 (32, 36, 40, 44, 48, 52)" [71 (81.3, 91.4, 101.6, 111.8, 122, 132) cm]
Finished Bust/Chest Measurement: 32 (35, 39, 44, 47.5, 51.5, 56)" [81.3 (89, 99, 112, 121, 131, 142.25) cm]

Special Abbreviations

KFB = knit into the front and back of the same stitch – 1 stitch increased.
wyib (with yarn in back) = move working yarn to the back of the work.
wyif (with yarn in front) = move working yarn to the front of the work.

Note: This sweater coat is knit in one piece from the top down with no seaming.

NECK

With **B** and larger circular needle, cast on 60 (60, 64, 68, 72, 76, 80) sts. Cut yarn, leaving an 8" (20.3 cm) yarn tail.
Row 1 (Right Side): With **A**, slip the first st wyib, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Row 2 (Wrong Side): Slip the first st wyib, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Repeat Rows 1-2 until neck measures 2" (5 cm) from cast-on edge, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Buttonhole row (Right Side): Slip 1, k1, bind off 2 sts, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1, *k1, p1; repeat from * across to buttonhole, cast on 2 sts, p2.
Next row: Slip 1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Repeat this row until neck measures 7" (17.8 cm) from cast-on edge, ending with a Wrong Side row.
Buttonhole row (Right Side): Slip 1, k1, bind off 2 sts, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1, *k1, p1; repeat from * across to buttonhole, cast on 2 sts, p2.
Next row: Slip 1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Repeat this row until neck measures 9" (23 cm) from cast-on edge, ending with a Wrong Side row.

BODY
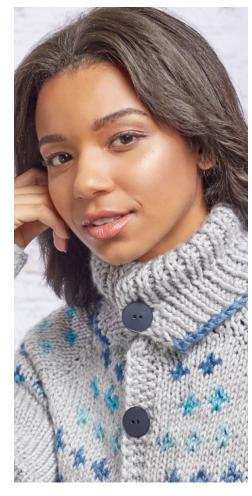Change to smaller circular needle.

Size XS Only:
Row 1 (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k18, KFB, k19, KFB, k to end – 62 sts.

Sizes S-3XL Only:
Row 1 (Right Side): Slip 1 (wyif), k—(8, 8, 6, 7, 7, 8), KFB, *k—(9, 9, 7, 8, 8, 9), KFB; repeat from * across to last – (0, 4, 4, 0, 4, 0) sts, k—(0, 4, 4, 0, 4, 0) – -- (66, 70, 76, 80, 84, 88) sts.

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Note: You will be increasing only at the 4 center markers; the first and last markers only mark the garter st borders.

Inc row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1 st before 2nd marker, KFB, slip marker, KFB, *k to 1 st before next marker, KFB, slip marker, KFB; repeat from * twice, k to end – 70 (74, 78, 84, 88, 92, 96) sts, 8 sts inc.

Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, p to last marker (slipping other markers as you work), k to end.

Begin Chart (pages 4-8)

Refer to Chart 1, Chart, 2, Chart 3, and Chart 4, noting your size for Charts 2 and 3.

Note: When working from Chart, read odd-numbered rows (knit rows) from right to left and even-numbered rows (purl rows) from left to right.

Inc row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, slip marker, k0 (0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 3) with **A**, then add **B** and work Row 1 of Chart 1, KFB, slip marker, KFB (for XS and 2XL this will be 1st **A** stitch of chart 2), k0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0) work through Row 1 of Chart 2, KFB (for XS, S, 2XL, and 3XL this will be last **A** st of Chart 2), slip marker, KFB (for XS, XL, and 2XL this will be 1st **A** st in Chart 3), k0 (0, 2, 4, 0, 0, 0) work through Row 1 of Chart 3, KFB (for XS, XL, and 2XL this will be last **A** stitch in chart 3), slip marker, KFB (for XS and 2XL this will be 1st **A** stitch of Chart 2), k0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0) work through Row 1 of Chart 2, KFB (for XS, S, 2XL, and 3XL this will be last **A** stitch of Chart 2), slip marker, KFB, k0 (0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 3) with **A**, then work through Row 1 of Chart 4, slip marker, k to end with **A** – 78 (82, 86, 92, 96, 100, 104) sts, 8 sts inc.

All Sizes:

You will now be working raglan inc as follows:

Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k3, place marker for garter stitch border, p9 (9, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12), place marker, p9 (10, 11, 12, 12, 13, 14), place marker, p18 (20, 22, 24, 26, 26, 28), place marker, p9 (10, 11, 12, 12, 13, 14), place marker, p9 (9, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12), place marker for garter stitch border, k4.

Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, p to last marker, working through next row of charts as established, k to end.

Repeat these two rows 13 (14, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27) times more, working through charts as established – 182 (194, 222, 252, 272, 292, 320) sts.

AT THE SAME TIME, work a Buttonhole row every 14th row as follows:

Buttonhole row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k1, yo, k2tog, slip marker, work as established to end of row.

End with a Wrong Side row.

Divide Sleeves from Body

Next row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k27 (28, 31, 35, 38, 41, 44) for the front, slip next 39 (42, 49, 56, 60, 65, 72) sts to scrap yarn for sleeve, cast on 1 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3) st(s), place marker, cast on 1 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3) st(s), k48 (52, 60, 68, 74, 78, 86) for the back, slip next 39 (42, 49, 56, 60, 65, 72) sts to scrap yarn for sleeve, cast on 1 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3) st(s), place marker, cast on 1 (2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3) st(s), k28 (29, 32, 36, 39, 42, 45) for front – 108 (118, 132, 148, 160, 174, 188) body sts.

Body

Continue working a Buttonhole row (as above) every 14th row.

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, p to last marker, k to end.

Row 2 (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to end.

Repeat Rows 1-2 until sweater measures 3 (4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6)″ [7.6 (10, 10, 10, 12.7, 12.7, 15.3) cm] from underarm, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Dec row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 3 sts before 2nd marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, k1, k2tog; k to 3 sts before next marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, k1, k2tog, k to end – 104 (114, 128, 144, 156, 170, 184) sts.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until sweater measures 8″ (20.3 cm) from underarm, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Inc row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 2 sts before 2nd marker, KFB, k1, slip marker, k1, KFB; k to 2 sts before next marker, KFB, k1, slip marker, k1, KFB, k to end – 108 (118, 132, 148, 160, 174, 188) sts.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until sweater measures 12″ (30.5 cm) from underarm, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Sizes S and 2XL Only:

Inc row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 2nd marker, slip marker, k1, KFB, k to 2 sts before next marker, KFB, k1, slip marker, k to end – 108 (120, 132, 148, 160, 176, 188) sts.

All Sizes:

Continue working Rows 1 and 2 until sweater measures 14½ (15½, 15½, 16½, 16½, 17½, 17½)″ [37 (39.4, 39.4, 42, 42, 44.5, 44.5) cm] from underarm, or 3½″ (9 cm) less than desired length, ending with a Wrong Side row.

Next row (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, attach **B** and work through Border Chart to last marker, k to end. Work through remaining two rows of Border Chart, maintaining garter st border.

Next row (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, p to last marker, k to end, removing underarm markers as you go (leave the 2 garter st border markers).

Row 1 (Ribbed Border) (Right Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, *k1, p1; repeat from * across to last marker, k to end.

Row 2 (Ribbed Border) (Wrong Side): Slip 1 wyif, k to 1st marker, *p1, k1; repeat from * across to last marker, k to end.

Repeat these two Ribbed Border rows until ribbed border measures 3″ (7.6 cm).

Last row: Slip 1 wyif; bind off loosely in Ribbed Border pattern.

SLEEVES

Place 39 (42, 49, 56, 60, 65, 72) Sleeve sts from scrap yarn onto larger double pointed needles. Pick up and knit 6 sts at the underarm, placing a marker in the center – 45 (48, 55, 62, 66, 71, 78) sts. Knit 7 rounds.
Dec round: K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 2 sts dec, 43 (46, 53, 60, 64, 69, 76) sts.
Continue in St st (k all rounds), working dec round every 8th round 4 more times – 35 (38, 45, 52, 56, 61, 68) sts.
Continue in St st, working dec round every 7th round, 3 (3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4) times – 29 (32, 37, 44, 48, 53, 60) sts.
Work even in St st until sleeve measures 15 (16, 16, 16, 16, 17, 17)″ [38 (40.6, 40.6, 40.6, 40.6, 43, 43) cm], or 4″ (10 cm) less than desired sleeve length.

Sizes XS, M, and 2XL only:
Next round: K1, k2tog, k to end – 28 (32, 36, 44, 48, 52, 60) sts.

All sizes:
Next round: Attach **B** and work Round 1 of Border Chart.
Work through remaining 2 rounds of Border Chart.
Change to smaller double pointed needles.
Next round: K 1 round, evenly decreasing 4 sts around using k2tog – 24 (28, 32, 40, 44, 48, 56) sts.
Ribbed Cuff round: *K1, p1; repeat from * around.
Repeat Ribbed Cuff round until cuff measures 3″ (7.6 cm). Bind off loosely in rib pattern.

FINISHING

Weave in all loose ends.

Sew buttons onto garter stitch border, opposite buttonholes.

Fold Neck in half. Sew the button opposite where the two buttonholes overlap, so that one button goes through both buttonholes.
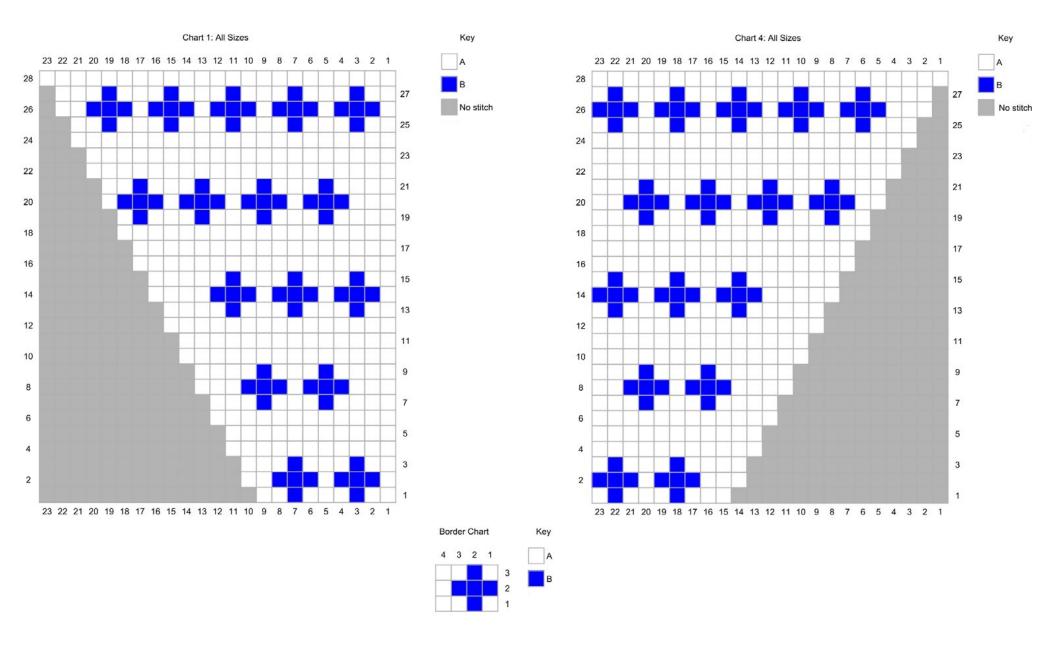
Block as desired.

ABBREVIATIONS

A = Color **A**; B = Color B; **K** = knit; **k2tog** = knit the next 2 stitches together; **P** = Purl; **St st** = Stockinette stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); ***** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

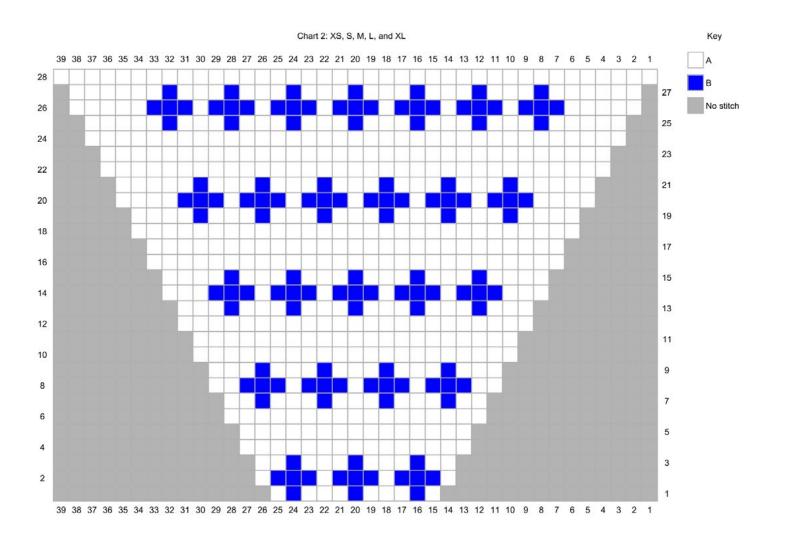*See charts on pages 4-8*
Schematic and alternate photo on page 9

Chart 1: All Sizes

Key
- A (white)
- B (blue)
- No stitch (gray)

Chart 4: All Sizes

Key
- A (white)
- B (blue)
- No stitch (gray)

Border Chart

Key
- A (white)
- B (blue)

Key

| | A |
| B |
| | No stitch |

Chart 2: 2XL and 3XL

Key

☐	A
■	B
▨	No stitch

Key

- A (white)
- B (blue)
- No stitch (gray)

Key
A
B
No stitch

16 (16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21)"
[40.6 (40.6, 43, 45.7, 48, 50.8, 53.3) cm]

NECK

6" (23 cm)

19 (20, 20, 20, 20, 21, 21)"
[48.3 (50.8, 50.8, 50.8, 50.8, 53.3, 53.3) cm]

7¼ (8½, 9¾, 12¼, 13½, 14¾, 17¼)"
[18.4 (21.5, 24.75, 31, 34.3, 37.5, 44) cm]

FRONT

18 (19, 19, 20, 20, 21, 21)"
[45.7 (48.3, 48.3, 50.8, 50.8, 53.3, 53.3) cm]

9 (9½, 10½, 11¾, 12½, 13¾, 14¾)" [22.8 (24, 26.7, 30, 31.75, 35, 37.5) cm]

14¾ (16, 18½, 21, 22¾, 24, 26½)" [37.5 (40.6, 47, 53.3, 57.8, 61, 67.3) cm]