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# Precision Wrap Sweater

*We've designed this classic sweater in four sizes for girls of many ages. Dancers have loved this style for its comfort and easy-fit throughout the years. For Bun Cover see LW5048.*

## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®:**  
2 (2, 2, 2) balls 9700 Baby Pink

**Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:**  
5 mm [US 8]

Two ¾" (20 mm) buttons (**note:** Only one button needs to be decorative because only one button shows on the right side, the other is hidden on the inside of sweater), yarn needle.

**GAUGE:**  
17 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side)  
**CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

**4** MEDIUM **RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®, Art. E746** available in solid color  
5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m);  
prints 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m) balls

**Directions are for Child size 6. Changes for sizes 8, 10, and 12 are in parentheses.**

**Finished Chest:** 28 (30, 32, 34)" [71 (76, 81.5, 86.5) cm]

**Finished Length:** 12 (13, 14, 15)" [30.5 (33, 35.5, 38) cm]

## Special Stitches

**M1 (make 1 – increase)** = Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.

**ssk** = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time, as if to knit to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of stitches, knit these stitches together through back loop—1 st decreased.

**ssp** = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time, as if to knit to right needle, slip these 2 stitches back to the left needle, purl these stitches together through back loop—1 st decreased.

## Notes

- Sweater is made from 5 pieces: Back, two fronts, and two sleeves.
- Sweater is slightly cropped and has ¾ length sleeves.

## BACK

Cast on 60 (64, 68, 72) sts.  
Work in Garter st (knit every row) for 5 rows. Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures about 6½ (7, 7½, 8)" [16.5 (18, 19, 20.5) cm] from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

## Shape Armholes

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 5 sts, knit to end of row—55 (59, 63, 67) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 5 sts, purl to end of row—50 (54, 58, 62) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until armholes measure about 5 (5½, 6, 6½)" [12.5 (14, 15, 16.5) cm] from armhole bind off, end with a right side row.

## Back Neck

**Row 1 (wrong side):** P16 (18, 20, 20), k18 (18, 18, 22), p16 (18, 20, 20).

**Row 2 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 3:** Repeat Row 1.  
With right side facing, bind off as if to knit.

## LEFT FRONT

Cast on 60 (64, 68, 72) sts.

Work in Garter st for 3 rows.

**Buttonhole Row (right side):** Knit to last 5 sts, k2tog, yarn over (for buttonhole), k3.

**Next Row (wrong side):** Knit.

## Shape Front Edge

**Decrease Row 1 (right side):** Knit to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3—59 (63, 67, 71) sts.

**Decrease Row 2 (wrong side):** K3, ssp, purl to end of row—58 (62, 66, 70) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 (14, 11, 12) more times—30 (34, 44, 46) sts.

**Next Row (right side):** Repeat Decrease Row 1—29 (33, 43, 45) sts.

**Next Row (wrong side):** K3, purl to end of row.

Repeat last 2 rows 1 (2, 7, 7) more times—28 (31, 36, 38) sts.

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## Shape Armhole

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 5 sts, knit to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3—22 (25, 30, 32) sts.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** K3, purl to end of row.

**Row 3:** Knit to last 5 sts, k2tog, k3—21 (24, 29, 31) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 5 (6, 9, 11) more times—16 (18, 20, 20) sts.

**Next Row (wrong side):** K3, purl to end of row.

**Next Row (right side):** Knit.

Repeat last 2 rows until piece measures same as back, ending with a wrong side row. With right side facing, bind off as if to knit.

## RIGHT FRONT

Cast on 60 (64, 68, 72) sts.

Work in Garter st for 3 rows.

**Buttonhole Row (right side):** K3, yarn over (for buttonhole), k2tog, knit to end of row.

**Next Row (wrong side):** Knit.

## Shape Front Edge

**Decrease Row 1 (right side):** K3, ssk, knit to end of row—59 (63, 67, 71) sts.

**Decrease Row 2 (wrong side):** Purl to last 5 sts, p2tog, k3—58 (62, 66, 70) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 14 (14, 11, 12) more times—30 (34, 44, 46) sts.

**Next Row (right side):** Repeat Decrease Row 1—29 (33, 43, 45) sts.

**Next Row (wrong side):** Purl to last 3 sts, k3. Repeat last 2 rows 1 (2, 7, 7) more times—28 (31, 36, 38) sts.

**Next Row:** Repeat Decrease Row 1—27 (30, 35, 37) sts.

## Shape Armhole

**Row 1 (wrong side):** Bind off 5 sts, purl to last 3 sts, k3—22 (25, 30, 32) sts.

**Row 2 (right side):** K3, ssk, knit to end of row—21 (24, 29, 31) sts.

**Row 3:** Purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Repeat last 2 rows 5 (6, 9, 11) more times—16 (18, 20, 20) sts.

**Next Row (right side):** Knit.

**Next Row (wrong side):** Purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Repeat last 2 rows until piece measures same as back, ending with a wrong side row. With right side facing, bind off as if to knit.

## SLEEVES (make 2)

Cast on 34 (36, 38, 40) sts.

Work in Garter st for 3 rows.

Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette st for 6 rows.

**Increase Row (right side):** K1, M1, knit to last st, M1, k1—36 (38, 40, 42) sts.

Work in Stockinette st for 5 rows.

Repeat Increase Row—38 (40, 42, 44) sts.

Repeat last 6 rows 5 (6, 7, 8) more times—48 (52, 56, 60) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until piece measures about 8 (9, 10, 11)" [20.5 (23, 25.5, 28) cm] from beginning.

Bind off.

## FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Sew in sleeves. Sew side and sleeve seams. Sew decorative button on right side of left front, close to left side seam. Sew other button on wrong side of right front, close to right side seam. Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together;  
**p** = purl; **p2tog** = purl next 2 sts together;  
**st(s)** = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

