

Hobo

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YARN

	XS	S	M	L	XL	
To fit bust	81	86	91	97	102	cm
	32	34	36	38	40	in
Rowan Cotton Glace						
	5	5	6	6	7	x 50gm

(photographed in Dijon 739)

NEEDLES

1 pair 2¼mm (no 12) (US 2) needles
 1 pair 3¼mm (no 10) (US 3) needles
 Cable needle

EXTRAS – 3 x 00315 buttons, 2 x 2.5cm buckles and one press fastener

TENSION

23 sts and 32 rows to 10 cm measured over stocking stitch using 3¼mm (US 3) needles.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATION

C6F = slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and leave at front of work, K3, then K3 from cable needle.

BACK

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 95 [101: 107: 113: 119] sts. Work in g st for 4 rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row. Change to 3¼mm (US 3) needles. Beg with a K row, cont in st st, shaping side seams by dec 1 st at each end of 9th and every foll 6th row to 87 [93: 99: 105: 111] sts, then on every foll 4th row until 79 [85: 91: 97: 103] sts rem. Work 7 rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row. ****** Inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 8th row until there are 91 [97: 103: 109: 115] sts. Cont straight until back meas 33 [34: 34: 35: 35] cm, ending with **RS** facing for next row. **Shape armholes** Cast off 9 [10: 10: 11: 11] sts at beg of next 2 rows. 73 [77: 83: 87: 93] sts. Dec 1 st at each end of next 17 [17: 19: 19: 21] rows, then on foll 4 [5: 5: 6: 6] alt rows, then on every foll 4th row until 27 [29: 31: 33: 35] sts rem. Work 5 [7: 7: 9: 9] rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row. Inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 4th row until there are 33 [35: 37: 39: 41] sts.



Work 5 rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row.

Shape back neck

Next row (RS): K2 and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder. Work each side of neck separately.

Next row (WS): P2tog and fasten off.

With **RS** facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, cast off centre 29 [31: 33: 35: 37] sts, K2.

Next row (WS): P2tog and fasten off.

FRONT

Work as given for back to ******.

Inc 1 st at each end of next and every foll 8th row until there are 85 [91: 97: 103: 109] sts.

Work 7 rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row.

Divide for front opening

Next row (RS): Inc in first st, K39 [42: 45: 48: 51] and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder. 41 [44: 47: 50: 53] sts.

Work each side of neck separately.

Inc 1 st at beg of 8th and foll 8th row. 43 [46: 49: 52: 55] sts.

Cont straight until 4 rows less have been worked than on back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with **RS** facing for next row.

Shape neck

Next row (RS): K to last 9 sts, cast off rem 9 sts.

Rejoin yarn to rem 34 [37: 40: 43: 46] sts with **WS** facing and cont as folls:

Dec 1 st at neck edge of next 3 rows, ending with **RS** facing for next row. 31 [34: 37: 40: 43] sts.

Shape armhole

Cast off 7 [8: 8: 9: 9] sts at beg and dec 1 st at end of next row. 23 [25: 28: 30: 33] sts.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next row. 22 [24: 27: 29: 32] sts.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 5 [5: 7: 7: 9] rows, then on every foll alt row **and at same time** dec 1 st at neck edge on next and every foll alt row until 2 sts rem.

Work 1 row, ending with **RS** facing for next row.

Next row (RS): K2tog and fasten off.

With **RS** facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, slip centre 5 sts onto a holder, K to last st, inc in last st.

Complete to match first side, reversing shapings, working an extra row before beg of armhole shaping.

MAKING UP

Press as described on the information page.

Button band

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 5 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, (P1, K1) twice.

Row 2: As row 1.

These 2 rows form moss st.

Cont in moss st until band fits up left front opening edge, from sts left on holder at base of opening to neck shaping.

Cast off in moss st.

Slip st band in place. Mark positions for 3 buttons on this band – first to come 2 cm up from cast-on edge, last to come 1 cm below cast-off edge and 3rd button halfway between.

Buttonhole band

Slip 5 sts from front holder onto 2¼mm (US 2) needles and rejoin yarn with **WS** facing.

Cont in moss st as given for button band until band fits up right front opening edge to neck shaping, with the addition of 3 buttonholes worked to correspond with positions marked for buttons as follows:

Buttonhole row (RS): K1, P2tog, yrn, P1, K1.

When band is complete, cast off in moss st.

Slip st band in place. Sew cast-on edge of button band in place behind buttonhole band.

Back neck band

******Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 2 sts.

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K1.

Row 2: Inc in first st, K1. 3 sts.

Row 3: sl 1, K1, inc in last st. 4 sts.

Row 4: Inc in first st, P1, K2. 5 sts.

Row 5: sl 1, K3, inc in last st. 6 sts.

Row 6: Inc in first st, P3, K2. 7 sts.

Row 7: sl 1, K6.

Row 8: sl 1, K1, (P1, M1P) 3 times, K2. 10 sts.

Cont in cable patt as follows:

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K9.

Row 2: sl 1, K1, P6, K2.

Row 3: sl 1, K1, C6F, K2.

Row 4: As row 2.

Rows 5 and 6: As rows 1 and 2.

These 6 rows form cable patt. ******

Cont in patt until shorter edge of band, when slightly stretched, fits across back neck edge, ending after patt row 3 and with **WS** facing for next row.

*****Next row (WS):** sl 1, K1, (P2tog) 3 times, K2. 7 sts.

Next row: sl 1, K4, K2tog. 6 sts.

Next row: P2tog, P2, K2. 5 sts.

Next row: sl 1, K2, K2tog. 4 sts.

Next row: P2tog, K2. 3 sts.

Next row: sl 1, K2tog. 2 sts.

Next row: K2tog and fasten off.

Sew shorter edge of band to back neck edge.

Left front neck band

Work as given for back neck band from ****** to ******.

Cont in patt until shorter edge of band, when slightly stretched, fits along left front neck edge, between fasten-off point and front opening edge of button band, ending after patt row 3 and with **WS** facing for next row.

Next row (WS): sl 1, K1, (P2tog) 3 times, K2.

Cast off rem 7 sts.

Sew shorter edge of band to left front neck edge.

Right front neck band

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K6.

Row 2: sl 1, K1, (P1, M1P) 3 times, K2. 10 sts.

Cont in cable patt as given for back neck band until shorter edge of band, when slightly stretched, fits along right front neck edge, between front opening edge of buttonhole band and fasten-off point, ending after patt row 3 and with **WS** facing for next row.

Complete as given for back neck band from *******.

Sew shorter edge of band to right front neck edge.

Join side seams.

Right armhole border

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K6.

Row 2: sl 1, K1, (P1, M1P) 3 times, K2. 10 sts.

Cont in cable patt as given for back neck band until border meas 10 cm – this section forms front shoulder strap.

Place markers at ends of last row.

Cont in patt until border **from markers**, when slightly stretched, fits down right front armhole and up right back armhole.

Place markers at ends of last row.

Cont in patt until border meas 18 cm from markers, ending after patt row 3 and with **WS** facing for next row – this section forms back shoulder strap.

Next row (WS): sl 1, K1, (P2tog) 3 times, K2.

Cast off rem 7 sts.

Sew band between markers to right armhole edge.

Left armhole border

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K6.

Row 2: sl 1, K1, (P1, M1P) 3 times, K2. 10 sts.

Cont in cable patt as given for back neck band until border meas 18 cm – this section forms back shoulder strap. Place markers at ends of last row.

Cont in patt until border, when slightly stretched, fits down left back armhole and up left front armhole.

Place markers at ends of last row.

Cont in patt until border meas 10 cm from markers, ending after patt row 3 and with **WS** facing for next row – this section forms front shoulder strap.

Next row (WS): sl 1, K1, (P2tog) 3 times, K2.

Cast off rem 7 sts.

Sew band between markers to left armhole edge.

Thread buckles onto ends of front shoulder strap sections and sew in place.

Buckle loops (make 2)

Using 2¼mm (US 2) needles cast on 4 sts.

Row 1 (RS): sl 1, K3.

Rep this row until buckle loop meas 5 cm.

Cast off.

Join cast-on and cast-off ends of loop.

Slip loop over front shoulder strap and buckle.

See information page for finishing instructions.

Sew press fastener in position at top of front neck.

