



Elgin Vest



Pattern #-

M22111 WEW

Marn-

Lion Brand® Wool-Ease® Wow

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# **SKILL LEVEL –** EASY

### SIZES

S/M (L/1X, 2X/3X, 4X, 5X)

Finished Bust About 43 (51, 59, 67) in. (109 (129.5, 150, 170) cm)

Finished Length About 20 (20 1/2, 21 1/2, 22) in. (51 (52, 54.5, 56) cm)

**Note:** Pattern is written for smallest size with changes for larger sizes in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning

#### MATERIALS

- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> WOOL-EASE<sup>®</sup> WOW (Art. #624) #404 Olive 2 (2, 3, 3) balls (A) #147 Eggplant 1 (1, 1, 2) ball(s) (B) #099 Cream 1 (1, 1, 1) ball (C)
- stitch holders
- large-eyed blunt needle

### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**



Circular knitting needle size 35 (20 mm), 40 in. (102 cm) long or longer

# GAUGE

4 sts + 6 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) over St st (k on RS, p on WS). BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

# STITCH EXPLANATION

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog – 1 st decreased.

### NOTES

- 1. Body of Vest is worked in one piece, back and forth in rows, to armholes. Piece is then divided and fronts and back worked separately up to shoulders.
- 2. Yarn color is changed to work Garter st (k every st of every row) stripes along lower part of Body.
- 3. A circular needle is used to accommodate sts. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
- 4. When you see work 'even' in the instructions, this means to continue in the pattern st you have established without changing the st count by increasing, decreasing, or binding off.

# BODY

With B, cast on 43 (51, 59, 67) sts.

With B, beg with a WS (purl) row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 3 rows.

Cut B.

With C, knit 2 rows.

With A, beg with a RS (knit) row, work in St st for 2 rows.

With C, knit 2 rows.

Cut C. Continue with A only.

With A, beg with a RS (knit) row, work in St st for 4 rows.

#### Note

If you don't have a stitch holder large enough to accommodate stitches made with this yarn, use multiple st holders to hold one group of sts or use a length of scrap yarn.

### Divide for Armholes Right Front

**Row 1 (RS):** K7 (9, 11, 13), k2tog, k1, place rem 33 (39, 45, 51) sts on a holder for back and left front – you will have 9 (11, 13, 15) sts in this row for right front.

Row 2: Purl.

#### Shape Right Front Neck

Row 3 (RS): K1, ssk, k to end of row – 8 (10, 12, 14) sts.

Rows 4-6: Beg with a WS row, work even in St st for 3 rows.

**Rows 7-18:** Rep Rows 3-6 for 3 more times – 5 (7, 9, 11) sts when all decreases have been completed. Work even in St st for 0 (1, 2, 3) rows. Note: When you see '0' repeats in an instruction, this means that for

that size, you should not perform that particular instruction, just skip to the next instruction.

Place rem 5 (7, 9, 11) sts on a holder for shoulder, leaving a long tail for seaming shoulder.

#### Back

**Row 1 (RS):** From RS and working sts from holder, k1, ssk, k17 (21, 25, 29), k2tog, k1; leave rem 10 sts on holder for left front – 21 (25, 29, 33) sts for back.

Beg with a WS row, work in St st for 17 (18, 19, 20) rows.

Place sts on a holders, having 5 (7, 9, 11) sts each for shoulders and 11 sts for back neck.

### Left Front

**Row 1 (RS):** From RS and working sts from holder, k1, ssk, k7 (9, 11, 13) – 9 (11, 13, 15) sts for left front. **Row 2:** Purl.

#### Shape Left Front Neck

**Row 3 (RS):** K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 8 (10, 12, 14) sts.

Rows 4-6: Beg with a WS row, work even in St st for 3 rows.

Rows 7-18: Rep Rows 3-6 for 3 more times – 5 (7, 9, 11) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Work even in St st for 0 (1, 2, 3) rows.

Place rem 5 (7, 9, 11) sts on a holder for shoulder, leaving a long tail for seaming shoulder.

# FINISHING

#### Armhole Bands

From RS with B, pick up and knit sts as evenly spaced as possible around one armhole.

#### Note

If you pick up too few sts, the armhole edge of the Vest will begin to gather; if too few sts, the armhole edge will stretch out. You may need to make a few tries before determining the perfect number of sts to pick up!

Purl 1 row.

Bind off, leaving a long tail for sewing edges of armhole band together.

Rep around 2nd armhole, picking up the same number of sts as you picked up around first armhole.

#### Join Shoulders

Place left front shoulder sts from holder on one tip of needle and left back shoulder sts on the opposite needle tip.

Bend the cord of the needle and hold the 2 tips of the needle together, with WS of shoulders together, RS facing out.

Thread blunt needle with one of the yarn ends and work as follows:

- 1. Insert needle as if to purl into first st on front piece. Insert needle as if to knit into first st on back piece. Pull yarn through, leaving sts on needles.
- 2. Insert needle as if to knit through first st on front needle and let the st drop from needle.
- 3. Insert needle into 2nd st on front needle as if to purl and pull the yarn through, leaving st on the needle.
- 4. Insert needle into first st on back needle as if to purl and let it drop from the needle.
- 5. Insert needle as if to knit through 2nd st on back needle and pull the yarn through, leaving st on needle.

Rep steps 2-5 until all sts are gone. When finished, adjust tension as necessary. Weave in ends.

Using tail still attached to armhole band, sew edges of armhole band together to complete shoulder seam. Rep to join right shoulder.

#### Neck Band

From RS with B, pick up and knit sts as evenly spaced as possible along right front edge, k11 back neck sts from holder, pick up and knit sts evenly spaced along left front edge, picking up the same number of sts as you picked up along right front edge.

Purl 1 row.

Cut B. With C, knit 1 row.

Bind off.

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)
k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 stitches together
p = purl
rem = remain(ing)(s)
rep = repeat
RS = right side
st(s) = stitch(es)
St st = Stockinette stitch
WS = wrong side



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