

Yellow, Pink and Sparkly

Celia

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A cropped cardigan with a delicate cable panel up the front. Knitted in 4 ply weight yarn.

The cardigan is knitted in one piece up to the armholes, and then knitted back and forth. The shoulders are formed by short row shaping and a three needle bind off. The sleeves are knitted flat and seamed to fit.

To fit 32" chest.

Finished measurements:

Chest 34" / 87 cm

Sleeve seam 18" / 46 cm

Length 15 ½" / 40 cm

Requirements

yarn

5 x 50g balls of Sirdar Snuggly 4 ply (approximately 1130 metres)

Needles -

2.75 mm circular needle for lower body ribbing

2.75 mm straight needles for cuff ribbing, button bands etc

3 mm circular needle for lower body

3 mm straight needles for upper body and sleeves

11 buttons - approximately 1 cm in diameter

Tension

27 sts and 36 rows to 10 cm measured over stocking stitch.

Abbreviations

k = knit

p = purl

pm = place marker

slm = slip marker

p2tog = purl 2 sts together

sts = stitches

dec = decrease

m1= make 1

alt = alternate

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

yrn = yarn round needle

wrap and turn = wrap next stitch and turn - work the required number of stitches in the row, wrap the next st by slipping the st onto the RH needle, take the yarn to the opposite side of the work, between the needles, and then slip the same st back onto the LH needle. On subsequent row, work the loop and the wrapped st together and continue in pattern

C1B = slip 1st stitch on to a cable needle and hold at back of work, k1, k1 from cable needle.

C1F = slip 1st stitch on to a cable needle and hold at front of work, k1, k1 from cable needle.

Panel Pattern

Row 1: p1, C1B, C1F, p1.

Row 2: k1, p4, k1.

Row 3: p1, C1F, C1B, p1.

Row 4: k1, p4, k1.

LOWER BODY

With 2.75 mm circular needles, cast on 208 stitches.



Row 1 (RS) : k1, (k2, p2) to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 2 (WS) : p1, (p2, k2) to last 3 stitches, p3.

Repeat these two rows until a total of thirty rows have been completed.

Change to 3 mm circular needle.

1st set up row: k3, work 1st row of panel pattern over next 6 sts, k43, pm, k104, pm, k43, work 1st row of panel pattern over next 6 sts, k3.

2nd set up row: p3, work 2nd row of panel pattern over next 6 sts, p43, slm, p104, slm, p43, work 2nd row of panel pattern, p3.

Working the 6 sts of the panel pattern as placed, work 4 more rows.

1st increase row:

Keeping pattern correct, work to within 1 st of marker, m1, k1, slm, k1, m1, work to within 1 st of next maker, m1, k1, slm, k1, m1, work to end. (212 sts)

Keeping pattern correct, increase as before on 4 following 8th rows, (32 rows more worked). (228 sts)

Continue straight in pattern until work measures 25 cm.

Divide for armholes

RIGHT FRONT

Pattern to within 4 sts of 1st marker, turn leaving remaining sts on a spare needle.

Working on the 53 sts for the right front and keeping pattern correct, dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 5 rows. (48 sts)

Dec at armhole edge on 2 following alternate rows. (46 sts)

Dec at armhole edge on following 4th row. (45 sts)

Work 2 rows ending with a WS row.

Shape Neckline

Put 9 sts on a holder, rejoin yarn to next st and patt to end. (36 sts)

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 8 rows. (28 sts)

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 6 alt rows. (22 sts)

Dec 1 st at neck edge on 3 following 4th rows. (19 sts)

Continue straight until armhole measures 17 cm ending with a WS row.

Shape shoulders (using short row shaping)

K13, wrap and turn.

P to end.

K7, wrap and turn.

P to end.

Knit to end.

Place sts on a holder.

Break of yarn.

BACK

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to sts on the spare needle. Cast off 8 sts. K to within 4 sts of next marker, turn. (106 sts)

Leave remaining sts on a spare needle.

Working on the 106 sts for the back, dec 1 st at each end of next 5 rows. (96 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of the 2 following alt rows. (92 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of the following 4th row. (90 sts)

Continue without shaping until the armhole measures the same as the right front to the start of the shoulder shaping, ending with a WS row.

Shape shoulders (using short row shaping)

k23, turn, leaving remaining 67 sts on a spare needle.

Working on 23 sts only, cast off 4 sts. (19 sts)

Purl until there are 13 sts on RH needle, wrap and turn.

Knit to end.

P7, wrap and turn.

knit to end.

Purl to end, place the 19 sts on a holder for right back shoulder.

Return to the remaining back sts and with RS facing, place the first 44 sts on a holder for the back neck.

Rejoin yarn to remaining 23 sts and cast off 4 sts, knit until there are 13sts on the RH needle, wrap and turn.

P to end.

K 7 sts, wrap and turn.

P to end.

K to end. Place the 19 sts on a holder.

LEFT FRONT

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to remaining sts on spare needle, cast off 8 sts and pattern to end. (53 sts)

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 5 sts. (48 sts)

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on 2 following alt rows. (46 sts)

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on following 4th row. (45 sts)

Ending on a WS row.

Shape neckline

Work to last 9 sts, turn, place the 9 sts on a stitch holder.

Working on the remaining 36 sts, dec 1 st at neck edge on next 8 rows. (28 sts)

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 6 alt rows. (22 sts)

Dec 1 st at neck edge on three following 4th rows. (19 sts)

Continue straight until armhole measures the same as right front and back to start of shoulder shaping ending with a RS row.

Shape shoulders (using short row shaping)

P13, wrap and turn.

K to end.

P7, wrap and turn.

K to end.

P to end.

Place sts on a holder.

Break of yarn.

SLEEVES

With 2.75 mm straight needles cast on 54 sts.

Row 1: k2, (p2, k2) to end.

Row 2: p2, (k2, p2) to end.

Repeat these two rows until a total of 16 rows have been completed.

Change to 3 mm straight needles.

Working in stocking stitch, complete 4 rows.

Increase row: k2, m1, k to last 2 sts, m1, k2. (56 sts)

Work 9 rows.

Increase as before on next and 13 following 10th rows. (84 sts)

Continue straight until sleeve measures 46 cm (18 inches)

Armhole shaping

Cast off 6 sts at beginning of next two rows.

Decrease 1 st at each end of next 3 rows. (66 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of following alt row. (64 sts)

Work three rows.

Dec 1 sts at each end of next row. (62 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of 3 following 6th rows. (56 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of 2 following 4th rows. (52 sts)

Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and following alt row. (48 sts)

Dec 1 st at each end of 7 rows. (34 sts)

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows. (26 sts)

Cast off remaining 26 sts.

MAKING UP

Shoulder seams

Place the shoulder sts for the right front and corresponding back onto straight needles. With RS facing, 3 needle bind off the stitches.

Repeat with the left front and corresponding back.

Join sleeve seam and set sleeve into armhole.



NECKBAND

With RS facing and 2.75 mm needles, work across 9 sts from holder on right front as follows, k3, p2, k2, p2, pick up and knit 46 sts from right front, pick up and knit 9 sts from right back, knit across 44 sts on holder for back, pick up and knit 9 sts from left back, pick up and knit 46 sts from left front, work across 9 sts from holder on left front as follows, p2, k2, p2, k3. (172 sts)

Row 1 (WS): k1 (p2, k2) to last three sts, p2, k1.

Row 2 (RS): k1, (k2, p2) to last three sts, k3.

Repeat these two rows 2 more times (6 rows worked in total).

Cast off in rib.

BUTTON BAND

With 2.75 mm needles, pick up and knit 86 sts along left front.

Row 1 (WS): (p2, k2) to last two sts, p2.

Row 2 (RS): (k2, p2) to last two sts, k2.

Repeat these two rows 2 more times (6 rows worked in total).

Cast off in rib.

BUTTONHOLE BAND

With 2.75 mm needles, pick up and knit 86 sts along left front.

Row 1 (WS): (p2, k2) to last two sts, p2.

Row 2 (RS): (k2, p2) to last two sts, k2.

Repeat first row 1 more time.

Row 4 (buttonhole row): k2, (p2tog, yrn, k2, p2, k2) ten times, p2tog, yrn, k2.

Rows 5 & 6: as rows 1 & 2.

Cast off in rib.

Neaten all loose ends and sew on buttons to correspond with the buttonholes.

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