

Yellow Pink and Sparkly

Lizzie

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Lizzie is a bright and jolly scoop-necked, stripy, Fair Isle vest, knitted in double knitting weight yarn.

It can be knitted as a regular repeated colour change, or with random colour every 10 rows. It's up to you how you want to work it changes. It requires a minimum of 4 colours and the pattern is repeated

I used a random colour change, using a total of 10 different colours. A great way to use up all those odds and ends. Have fun with your colour combinations.

Just make sure that you have enough yarn to ensure that the sequence of colours on the front matches the back.



To fit size small

Knitted size

Bust 84 cm / 33 inches

Length to shoulder 53 cm / 21 inches

Materials

Double knitting weight yarn - a total of approximately 750 metres / 770 yards

A minimum of 4 colours required.

I used 10 different colours, the main shade used for the hem and bands and also incorporated in the pattern used about 75g, all the other colours required less than 50g.

3.25 mm (US 3) needles

3.75 mm (US 5) needles

Tension

21 sts and 30 rows to 10cm (4 inches) measured over pattern using 3.75 mm needles.

Abbreviations

k = knit

p = purl

sts = stitches

ms = main shade

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

beg = beginning

rem = remaining

alt = alternate

BACK

Using 3.75mm needles and ms of your choice, cast on 92 sts.

Work in k1, p1, rib for 2.5 cm (1 inch).

Work 2 rows in stocking stitch.

needle, turn leaving rem 66 sts on a spare needle.

On the 12 sts only, cast off 4 sts at beg of next row.

Cast off rem 8 sts.

Place centre 46 sts on a holder. With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem 20 sts, pattern to end.

Cast off 8 sts at the beg of next row.

Cast off 4 sts at the beg of next row.

Cast of rem 8 sts.

FRONT

Work as given for back to **

Work 2.5cm (1 inch) ending with a WS row.

Shape neckline

Pattern 37 sts, turn, leaving rem 51 sts on a spare needle.

Working on 37 sts only, cast off 2 sts at neck edge on next and 4 alt rows.
(27 sts)

Work 1 row.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next and 10 following alt rows. (16 sts)

Work straight until work measures same as back to start of shoulder shaping, ending with a WS row.

Cast off 8 sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off rem 8 sts.

Place centre 12 sts on a holder. Woth Rs facing, rejoin yarn to rem 37 sts, pattern to end.

Work 1 row.

Cast off 2 sts at neck edge on next and 4 following alt rows. (27 sts)

Work 1 row.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next and 10 following alt rows. (16 sts)

Work straight until work measures same as back to start of shoulder shaping, ending with a RS row.

Cast off 8 sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off rem 8 sts.

MAKING UP

Join right shoulder seam.

Neckband

With RS facing, 3.25mm needles and ms, pick up and knit 46 sts down left side of neck, knit across 12 sts on holder at front, pick up and knit 46 sts up right side of neck, pick up and knit 4 sts at start of back, knit across 46 sts on holder at back, pick up and knit 4 sts from end of back . 158 sts
Work in k1 p1 rib for 6 rows. Cast off in rib.

Armholes

Join remaining shoulder seam.

For each armhole, with RS facing, 3.25mm needles and ms, pick up and knit 102 sts evenly along armhole edge.

Work in k1, p1 rib for 6 rows.

Cast off in rib.

Join side seams and tidy up all loose ends.



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