# Kuschelweste

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This vest is worked in slip stitches, using F, B and iB (see explanation below if you are not familiar the stitch names).

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# Size:

40/42 in German sizes (probably 12/14 in US sizes). Make it 46/48 (US 16/18) by adding six sts at each side. Model is shown in 46/48, a little shorter than in the pattern. You can work more or less cables to adjust the width, too.

## Material:

- 800g Schachenmayr Apollo, 200m/100g
- 10mm crochet hook
- optional: a 9mm hook for the last row

## **Special Stitches:**



The stitch names were introduced by David Burchall.

- F: (front loop slip stitch) slip stitch into the front loop only (yarn in back, coming from the front, insert hook into the front loop, yarn over, pull hook through all loops on hook)
- B: (back loop slip stitch) slip stitch into the back loop only (yarn in back, coming from the front, insert hook into the back loop, yarn over, pull hook through all loops on hook)
- iB: (inverse back loop slip stitch) slip stitch into the back loop, inserting the hook from the back (yarn in front, coming from the back, insert hook into the back loop, yarn over, pull hook through all loops on hook)

cable 6: skip 3 sts, F 3, now F3 into the skipped stitches.

#### Basic Pattern:

Slip stitches can be turned without working a turning chain, so that is omitted in the following pattern. Work one if you feel more comfortable with it.

- 1. row: \*iB 6, F 6, repeat from \* to end, iB 6
- 2. row: \*F6, iB6, repeat from \* to end, F6
- 3. row: \*iB 6, cable 6, iB6, F 6, repeat from \*, iB 6
- 4. row: \*F6, iB6, repeat from \* to end, F6
- 5. row: \*iB 6, F 6, repeat from \* to end, iB 6
- 6. row: \*F6, iB6, repeat from \* to end, F6
- 7. row: \*iB 6, F 6, iB 6, cable 6, repeat from \*, iB 6
- 8. row: \*F6, iB6, repeat from \* to end, F6

Repeat rows 1 - 8.

### Pattern:

#### Back:

Chain 90  $(7 \times 12 + 6)$  to get 7 cables.

Make a slip stitch into every chain, then start with the first row of the basic pattern. Work 80 rows in basic pattern (adjust length to your liking).

### Right Front Panel:

Chain 42  $(3 \times 12 + 6)$  to get 3 cables.

Make a slip stitch into every chain, then start with the first row of the basic pattern. Work 40 rows in basic pattern. Decrease 1 at the right edge in every 4th row for 6 times. (=36 sts). End after 80 rows in basic pattern.

#### Left Front Panel:

Work a mirror image of the right front panel.

## Finishing:

Close the shoulder seams. Close the side seams to about half of the rows.

Work 80 sts into the arm opening. Working B in rounds, decrease 3 at the side seam in every round. Make about 10 rounds for each side.

For the collar, work about 80 sts into the edges of the front panels and about 20 across the back (=180 sts). Work B in rows.

If you want to make a button band, make about 10 rows, decreasing 3 sts at the shoulder corners in every other row. Work in button holes.

or

If you want to make a shawl collar (as in the photo), work at least 25 rows in B, without shaping. Use a brooch for a closure.

Sew in ends.

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