

Ladies' Fairisle Round Yoke Cardigan

Suitable for any standard gauge knitting machine

Sizes S-M-L-XL-XXL-XXXL, Finished Width 36 (40-44-48-52-56) inches; 92 (102-112-122-132-142) cm, plus width of button band.

This garment is an introduction to knitting Fairisle round neck cardigans. It is designed fairly simply, but does have short row shaping on the front and back to lower the neck a little, making it more comfortable to wear and to eliminate the bulge that often occurs at the bottom of the yoke.



Materials

Lightweight yarn, such as sock, fingering, or 4-ply, that will knit to correct gauge. Sample is knitted using two colors, and requires approximately 14-20 oz main color and 3 oz contrast. This does vary with the yarn, since some have more yardage per ounce or gram.

Gauge: 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm, or 7 sts, 10 rows = 1 inch in stockinet (8.5 rows in Fairisle)

Tension: 8 in stockinet, or whatever is necessary to obtain gauge. Fairisle tension 9, or 1 number higher than for stockinet.

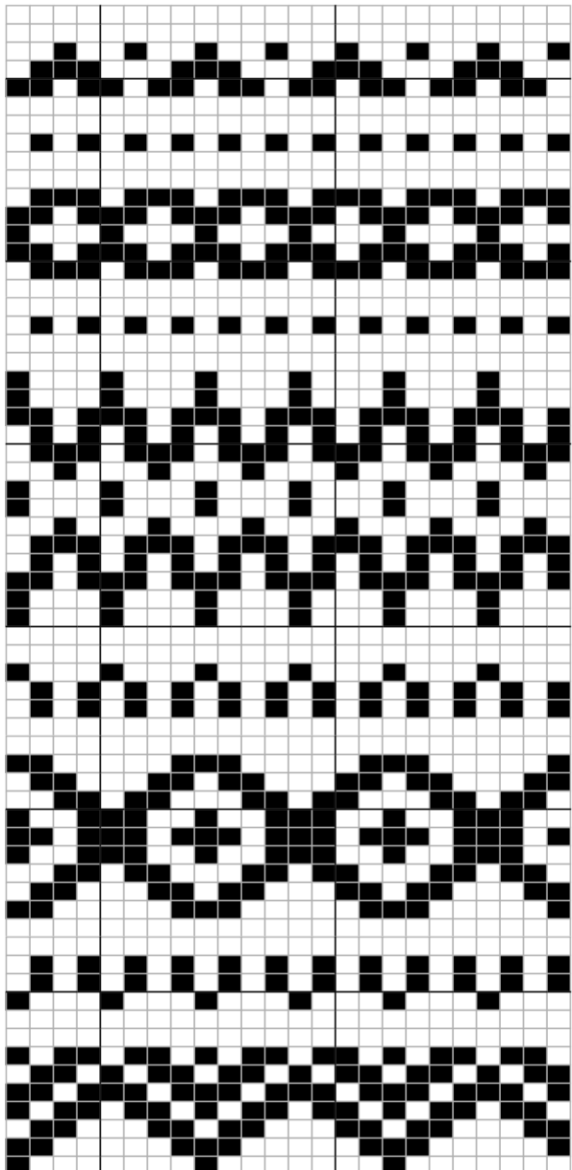
This cardigan is knitted from the bottom upwards. The yoke is made in three sections. The back yoke simply continues on into the yoke after the last raglan decreases. Right front is first seamed to the right sleeve, then the right yoke is knitted upwards from this joined unit; the left front and left sleeve are also seamed, then the yoke is knitted.

Since this pattern is meant to be an introduction to Fairisle yokes, there are only two colors in the yoke. The contrast color is removed after knitting through each tier, but the yarn is not cut; adding the contrast color back into the carriage when beginning the next tier eliminates yarn tails, and makes it much easier to sew and finish the yoke. You may, however, add more colors if you prefer; an ounce of each additional color is more than enough

Abbreviations

L left
 R right
 st(s) stitch(es)
 r(s) row(s)
 HP hold position

RC row counter
 inc increase
 dec decrease
 T number on the stitch dial
 x times

**Punchcard**

One blank card, plus ten rows of a second card are required for this version. This card is designed so that the entire yoke can be knitted without breaking either yarn. When you reach a blank row, remove the contrast yarn and hold it out of the way until it is needed again. When the blank row is the decrease row between tiers, it is easier to pass the yarn back behind the machine to keep it out of the way until you are ready to begin the next tier. In Tier 4, there are two blank rows before and after the center “cross” design. It should be possible to simply remove the yarn and hold it with your hand while knitting the two main color rows; replace it in the feeder, and continue to knit.

After knitting through the Fairisle pattern in each tier, knit 1 plain row, transfer the decrease stitches, and knit 1 plain row. Lock card on first pattern row of next tier, then remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Bring required needles for next tier into work position and rehang the yoke.

Reprogram machine before beginning the next tier. Studio/Singer/Silver Reed machines have drums on the back of the carriage that reprogram the carriage when passing it across the bed with the card locked on a pattern row.

Brother/Knitking/Jones machines, free pass carriage to opposite side, set KC knob, and free pass back to original side.

Unlock the card and knit the next tier. Details are included in the Yoke instructions.

Back

Cast on 128 (142-156-170-184-198) sts. Set up for K1, P1 ribbing.

RC 000. T 6. Knit even to RC 20.

T8. Change to stockinet. Knit even to RC 160 (166-170-170-170-170), end with carriage on R.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 3 (5-5-8-8-10) sts at beginning of the next 2 rows.

Using the 2-prong transfer tool, decrease 1 st both sides every other row a total of 4 (9-12-16-19-24) times.

RC 170 (186-196-204-210-220). There are 114 (114-122-122-130-130) sts remaining.

Optional: For a better fit, *work short row shaping on the neck edge at the same time*. This is not an extension, such as the style currently found in some hand knitting patterns; instead, it produces a curve at the neckline, even though the short rows are worked below the yoke.

Begin working optional short rows on RC 164 (180-188-196-202-212), with carriage on R. Place center 54 (54-42-42-50-50) sts into hold position. (This sequence is correct; there are more short rows for sizes L-XXL, so there are fewer sts in the center.) Place all remaining sts L of center also into hold. Set carriage to hold.

Make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R.

*Make dec on R edge; place 10 sts into HP, knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R.

Repeat from * 2 more times for sizes S and M, and 3 more times for sizes L-XXXL.

RC 170 (186-196-204-210-220). All sts are now in HP.

Place carriage on L side of bed and work left side to correspond.

There are 114 (114-122-122-130-130) sts remaining.

Knit 1 row over all neck sts to seal the wrapped stitches formed by short rows.

This completes Back. Go to Back Yoke instructions.

Right Front

Cast on 64 (71-78-85-92-99) sts. Set up for K1, P1 ribbing.

RC 000. T 6. Knit even to RC 20.

T8. Change to stockinet. Knit even to RC 160 (166-170-170-170-170), end with carriage on R.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 3 (5-5-8-8-10) sts at beginning of the next row. Knit across and back to the R.

Using the 2-prong transfer tool, decrease 1 st on R edge every other row a total of 4 (9-12-16-19-24) times.

Work short row shaping on the neck edge at the same time, beginning on RC 160 (170-174-184-188-198), with carriage on R. Set carriage to hold.

Note: the first group of HP sts is different for size S because there are fewer stitches and rows in the neck shaping. For size S only, front neck shaping begins on the same row as armhole shaping. This is not a misprint.

Place 40 (30-30-30-30-30) sts into HP on L; make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R.

*Place 5 sts, all sizes, into HP on L; make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R. Repeat from * once more. 50 (40-40-40-40-40) sts in HP on L.

** Place 4 sts, all sizes, into HP on L; make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R. Repeat from ** 0 (1-1-1-2-2) more times. 54 (48-48-48-52-52) sts in HP on L.

*** Place 3 sts, all sizes, into HP on L; make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R. Repeat from *** 0 (2-2-2-2-2) more times. 54 (57-57-57-61-61) sts in HP on L.

Neck shaping is now complete for sizes S and M only.

**** Place 2 sts, sizes L-XXXL, into HP on L; make dec on R edge; knit to the L, wrap first HP needle, knit back to R. Repeat from **** 1 more time. 61 (61-65-65) sts in HP on L.

All Sizes

Knit 1 row over all neck sts to seal the wrapped stitches formed by short rows. Remove on waste yarn.

Knit Left Front to correspond, reversing shaping. The easiest way to do this is to begin with carriage on the left. Armhole shaping will be made on the left edge, and neck shaping will be made on the right side.

Sleeves

Make 2 alike.

Method 1 Knit from bottom of cuff upwards.

Cast on 61 (65-67-71-73-75) sts. Set up for K1, P1 ribbing.

RC 000. T 6. Knit even to RC 25.

Change to stockinet. T 8. Knit 1 row.

Remove on waste yarn circular needle, or garter bar, then rehang on 70 (78-80-88-90-94) needles, increasing 9 (13-13-17-17-19) stitches evenly across, as follows:

S: skip every 7th needle.

M: skip every 6th needle 4 times, then every 5th needle 5 times, then every 6th needle 4 times.

L: skip every 6th needle 5 times, then every 5th needle 3 times, then every 6th needle 5 times.

XL: skip every 5th needle 16 times, then the 4th needle 1 time.

XXL: skip every 5th needle 17 times.

XXXL: skip every 5th needle 7 times, then every 4th needle 5 times, then every 5th needle 7 times.

All Sizes: pick up purl bumps from row below to fill empty needles.

*T8. Change to stockinet.

Increase both sides as follows:

S: 1 st every 16 rows 9 times. Knit even to RC 176 on 88 sts.

M: 1 st every 12 rows 12 times. Knit even to RC 182 on 102 sts.

L: 1 st every 10 rows 6 times, then 1 st every 9 rows 10 times. Knit even to RC 186 on 112 sts.

XL: 1 st every 8 rows 13 times, then 1 st every 7 rows 7 times. Knit even to RC 186 on 126 sts.

XXL: 1 st every 7 rows 15 times, then 1 st every 6 rows 8 times. Knit even to RC 186 on 136 sts.

XXXL: 1 st every 6 rows 14 times, then 1 st every 5 rows 14 times. Knit even to RC 186 on 150 sts.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 3 (5-5-8-8-10) sts at beginning of the next row. Knit across and back to the R.

Using the 2-prong transfer tool, decrease 1 st both sides every other row a total of 4 (9-12-16-19-24) times. 74 (74-78-78-82-82) stitches remain.

Remove on waste yarn.

Sleeve, Method 2

Make 2 alike.

Cast on 70 (78-80-88-90-94) sts with waste yarn and ravel cord. Begin at * above Cuff, and work same as for Method 1.

Cuff

Rehang first row of main color at bottom of sleeve onto 61 (65-67-71-73-75) needles, decreasing 8 (12-12-16-16-18) sts evenly by hanging 2 sts on a needle. *This is 1 st less than the increases when knitting from bottom of cuff upwards; because of the way stockinet is formed 1 stitch is lost when the fabric is turned upside down.*

Decrease as follows:

S: Hang 2 sts on every 7th needle 8 times.

M: Hang 2 sts on every 5th needle 12 times.

L: Hang 2 sts on the 6th needle 1 time, then every 5th needle 10 times, then the 6th needle 1 time.

XL: Hang 2 sts on the 5th needle 2 times, then every 4th needle 13 times, then the 5th needle 1x.

XXL: Hang 2 sts on the 5th needle 3 times, then every 4th needle 11 times, then the 5th needle 2 times.

XXXL: Hang 2 sts on the 4th needle 18 times.

Change to K1, P1 ribbing, T 6.

RC 000. Knit even 26 rows. Turn tension up to 10; knit 1 row. Bind off using stitch through stitch method.

Sew Right Front to Right Sleeve. Sew Left Front to Left Sleeve. This completes the Front and Sleeve sections. Go to Yoke instructions.

Cardigan Yoke

There are many ways to construct a machine-knit round yoke garment. Many beginners find the “traditional” method, which has the yoke seams on the shoulders difficult to handle when knitting the entire garment from bottom to top. It requires hanging half the sleeve top edges next to the back, working the yoke, and then repeating this on the front. Since a cardigan requires 3 yoke sections, the garment is a little easier to knit by moving the yoke seam to the back, where raglan seams would be. The right sleeve is first sewn to the right front, and this combined unit is rehung on the machine to knit the yoke. This means nothing but the single unit is attached to the machine; no half sleeve, connected to the back piled up in your lap, or dangling to the floor, when working on the fronts. Left sleeve is sewn to left front, and then the yoke is knitted on this unit.

This construction method does mean there will be different places where the pattern repeats end, so the tiers on the sleeve/front units are not always centered on the bed. Be sure to hang these stitches on the needles specified for each tier, so that the pattern repeats correctly.

There are three different yoke sizes; S and M, L and XL, XXL and XXXL.

Back Yoke

After completing Back, there are 114 (122-130) sts remaining. Yoke is knitted upwards from this point, without removing the back from the machine.

Knit 2 rows, ending with carriage on right side of bed.

Tier 1

T 9. Main color in feeder 1, contrast in feeder 2. Work Fairisle pattern for 7 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn; do not cut it, just hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. (this is an unpunched row on the card, and the carriage will only knit main color on this row. Carriage is now on right.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 13th needle 3x, then the 12th needle 2x, then the 13th needle 3x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 14th needle 3x, then the 13th needle 3x, then the 14th needle 2x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 15th needle 2x, then the 14th needle 4x, then the 15th needle 2x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left.

Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 2

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 53L-53R (57L-57R, 61L-61R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 19 rows, ending with carriage on right. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 9th needle 1x, then the 8th needle 10x, then the 9th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 9th needle 5x, then the 8th needle 2x, then the 9th needle 5x.

XXI and XXXL: Bring forward the 10th needle 3x, then the 9th needle 7x, then the 10th needle 2x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 3

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 47L-47R (51L-51R, 55L-55R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 14 rows, ending with carriage on right. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 6th needle 5x, then the 5th needle 7x, then the 6th needle 4x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 6th needle 16x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 6th needle 3x, then the 5th needle 15x, then the 6th needle 2x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 4

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 39L-39R (43L-43R, 45 to 45R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 11 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 8th needle 1x, then the 7th needle 9x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 6th needle 1x, then the 5th needle 15x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 6th needle 3x, then the 5th needle 11x, then the 6th needle 2x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 5

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 34L-34R (35L-35R, 37L to 37R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 3 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and cut it.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right. Cut main color and remove Back on waste yarn.

Front Yokes

Before beginning the right yoke, be sure that the Right Front and Sleeve are seamed along the raglan. There will be 1 stitch from each in the seam. This is a live stitch and must be picked up onto its neighbor to prevent it from running downwards. This means that there should be two stitches on each needle next to the seam.

Right Yoke

Tier 1

Rehang Right Front and Sleeve unit on 129 (137-145 needles), from 66L-63R (69L-68R, 73L-72 R). Carriage on R.

T 9. Main color in feeder 1, contrast in feeder 2. Work Fairisle pattern for 7 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn; do not cut it, just hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. (this is an unpunched row on the card, and the carriage will only knit main color on this row. Carriage is now on right).

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 15th needle 2x, then the 14th needle 5x, then the 15th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 16th needle 1x, then the 15th needle 6x, then the 16th needle 1x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 17th needle 1x, then the 16th needle 7x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left.

Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 2

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 61L-60R (65L-64R, 69L-68R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 19 rows, ending with carriage on right.

Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 8th needle 1x, then the 7th needle 14x, then the 8th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 8th needle 5x, then the 7th needle 6x, then the 8th needle 5x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 9th needle 1x, then the 8th needle 15 times.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right.

Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 3

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 51L-54R (59L-54R, 63L-58R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 14 rows, ending with carriage on right. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 7th needle 2x, then the 6th needle 13x, then the 7th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 7th needle 6x, then the 6th needle 5x, then the 7th needle 5x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 8th needle 1x, then the 7th needle 14 x, then the 8th needle 1x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 4

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 43L-46R (51L-46R, 53L to 52R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 11 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 6th needle 2x, then the 5th needle 12x, then the 6th needle 2x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 5th needle 7x, then the 4th needle 7x, then the 5th needle 6x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 5th needle 20 times.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 5

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 34L-39R (38L-39R, 43L to 42R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 3 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and cut it.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right. Cut main color and remove Back on waste yarn.

Left Yoke

Tier 1

Rehang Left Front and Sleeve unit on 129 (137-145) needles, from 66L-63R (70L-67R, 74L-71 R). Carriage on R.

T 9. Main color in feeder 1, contrast in feeder 2. Work Fairisle pattern for 7 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn; do not cut it, just hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. (this is an unpunched row on the card, and the carriage will only knit main color on this row. Carriage is now on right.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 15th needle 2x, then the 14th needle 5x, then the 15th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 16th needle 1x, then the 15th needle 6x, then the 16th needle 2x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 17th needle 1x, then the 16th needle 7x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 2

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 62L-59R (66L-63R, 70L-67R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 19 rows, ending with carriage on right. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 8th needle 1x, then the 7th needle 14x, then the 8th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 8th needle 5x, then the 7th needle 6x, then the 8th needle 5x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 9th needle 1x, then the 8th needle 15x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 3

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 52L-53R (60L-53R, 64L to 57R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 14 rows, ending with carriage on right. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on left.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 7th needle 2x, then the 6th needle 13x, then the 7th needle 1x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 7th needle 6x, then the 6th needle 5x, then the 7th needle 5x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 8th needle 1x, then the 7th needle 14x, then the 8th needle 1x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on right. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 4

Place carriage on right. Rehang yoke on needles 44L-45R (52L-45R, 54L to 51R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 11 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and hold it out of the way.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right.

Decrease row.

S and M: Bring forward the 6th needle 2x, then the 5th needle 12x, then the 6th needle 2x.

L and XL: Bring forward the 5th needle 7x, then the 4th needle 7x, then the 5th needle 6x.

XXL and XXXL: Bring forward the 5th needle 20x.

Transfer the stitches on the extended needles to a neighboring needle and take the emptied needles back to position A (out of work). Knit 1 row main color, ending with carriage on left. Lock punchcard on first row of next tier. Remove yoke on waste yarn, circular needle, or garter bar.

Tier 5

Place carriage on left. Rehang yoke on needles 35L-38R (41L-36R, 44L to 41R). Replace contrast yarn in feeder 2. Unlock card. Work Fairisle pattern for 3 rows, ending with carriage on left. Remove contrast yarn and cut it.

Knit 1 row main color. Carriage is now on right. Cut main color and remove Back on waste yarn.

Neck

Sew yoke seams, matching patterns carefully. 1 stitch is allowed for seams on each edge.

Knit side toward the machine, purl side facing you, rehang entire top edge, placing 2 sts on every 4th needle 168 (168-174-174-192-192) sts.

Knit 2 rows stockinet with main color only, 3 rows Fairisle, 2 rows stockinet, then remove on waste yarn.

Neckband

Rehang on machine, placing 2 stitches on every 3rd needle 126 (126-130-130-144-144) sts. Change to Ribbing. RC 000, T 6/6. Knit even 24 rows.

This creates a band that will be folded to the inside.

Either: 1) turn tension up to 9/9, knit 1 row, clip yarn and bind off using stitch through stitch method, turn band to inside and sew in place.

2) transfer all sts to main bed; pick up the bumps under the purl sts and hang on corresponding needles (every other needle will have 2 sts.) Bind off loosely.

Button Band

This can vary a little, and the following is just a recommendation. It is best to make a test band on one side of the gauge swatch; if you no longer have the swatch, it may be necessary to knit the band a second time after checking the fit, so always make the button band side first.

This is a folded stockinet band. With knit side toward machine, purl side facing you, hold the left front up to the machine. To be sure of having enough needles, start near one end of the bed. Pick up 3 stitches per every 4 rows in the ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches per every 3 rows in the Fairisle yoke section.

RC 000, T 9, knit 1 row. T 7, knit 12 rows. T9, Knit 1 row. T 7, knit 12 rows. Hang hem from first loose row, then bind off.

If you prefer, instead of hanging the hem, turn the tension dial up as high as it will go, knit 1 row, bind off using stitch through stitch method, turn band to inside and sew in place.

Buttonhold Band

There are nine 3-stitch buttonholes, evenly spaced. You may use any buttonhole method you prefer; this one, demonstrated by Knitters' Edge, is very neat and easy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2GTw-mP4WCs&t=429s> Except for the buttonholes, work the band same as above.

Sew side and sleeve seams, work in all yarn ends. Sew on buttons. Block if desired

Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size S

Finished Chest 36"

Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 4" in Fairisle

Tier 5

9.7"	68 sts
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 .6"
5 r

-10 dec 8th st 1x, 7th 9x
Tier 4

11"	78 sts
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 1.4"
13 r

-16 dec 6th st 5x, 5th 7x, 6th 4x
Tier 3

13.4"	94 sts
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 1.8"
16 r

-12 dec 9th st 1x, 8th 10x, 9th 1x
Tier 2

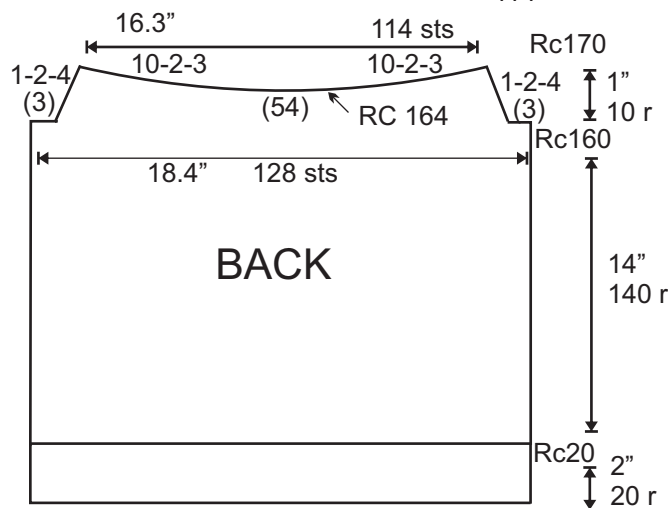
15"	106 sts
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 2.3"
21 r

-8 dec 13th st 3x, 12th 2x, 13th 3x
Tier 1

16.3"	114 sts
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 1.2"
11 r



BACK

Neckband

18"	127 sts
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 2"
20 r

Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 168 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 127 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve

Tier 5

10.4"	73 sts
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 .6"
5 r

-16 dec 6th st 2x, 5th 12x, 6th 2x
Tier 4

12.7"	89 sts
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 1.4"
13 r

-16 dec 7th st 2x, 6th 13x, 7th 1x
Tier 3

15"	105 sts
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 1.8"
16 r

-16 dec 8th st 1x, 7th 14x, 8th 1x
Tier 2

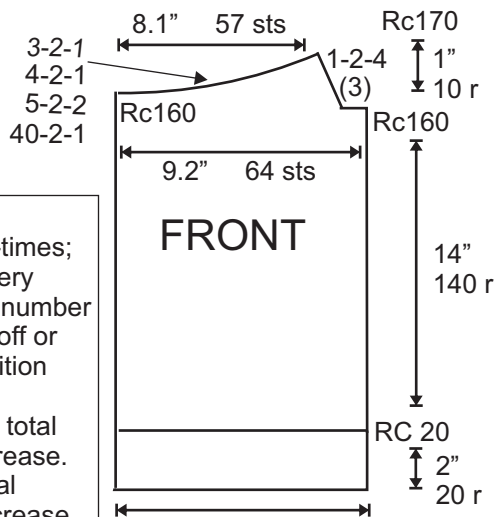
17.3"	121 sts
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 2.3"
21 r

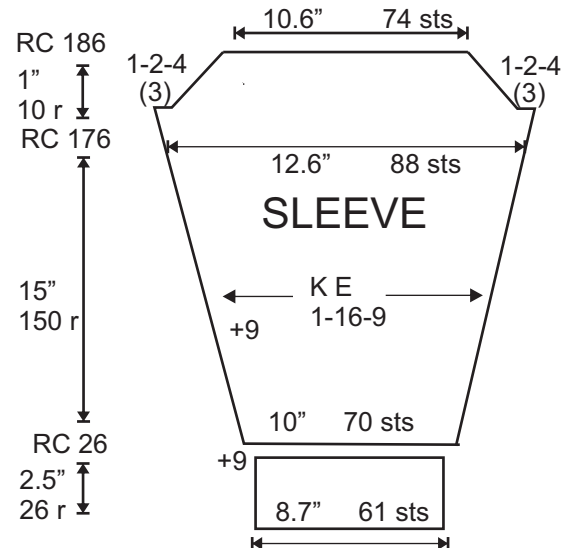
-8 dec 15th st 2x, 14th 5x, 15th 1x
Tier 1

18.4"	129 sts
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 1.2"
11 r



FRONT



SLEEVE

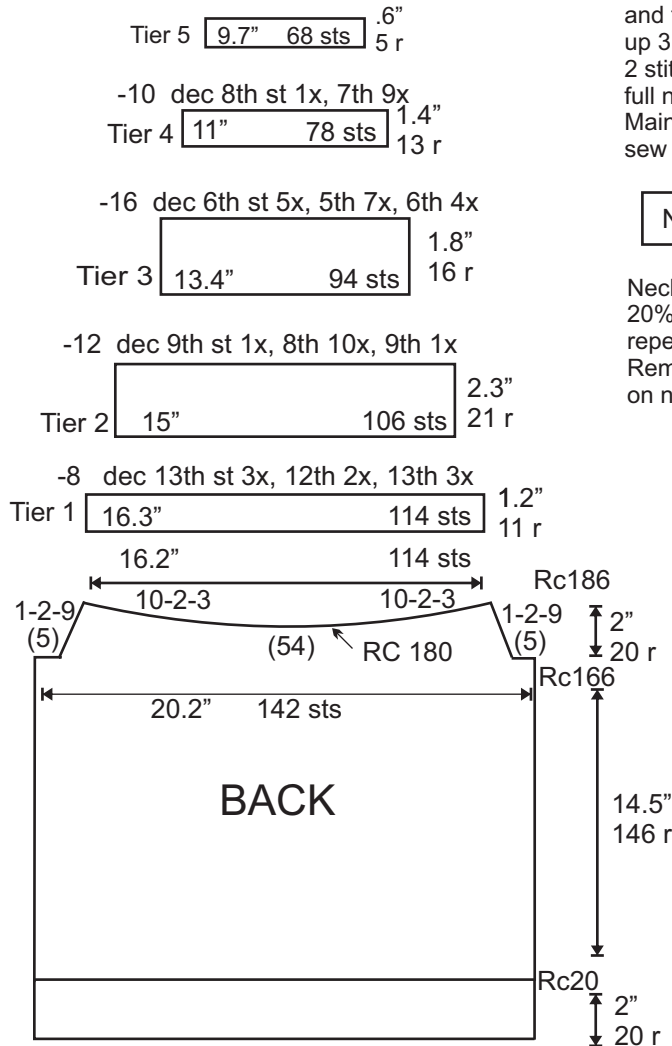
Shaping Notes

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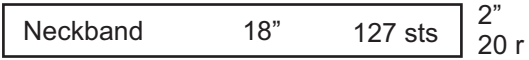
Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size M Finished Chest 40"

Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 4" in Fairisle

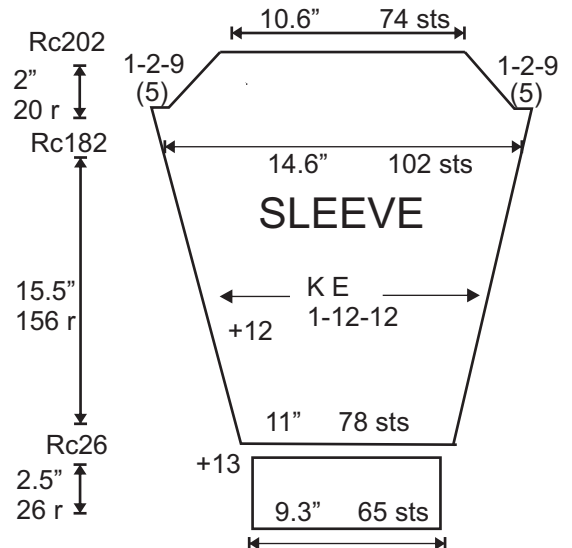
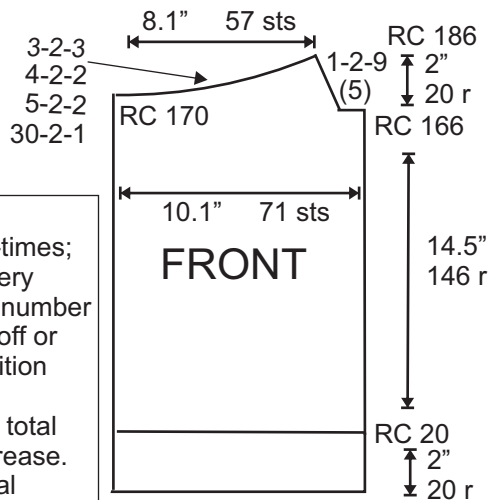
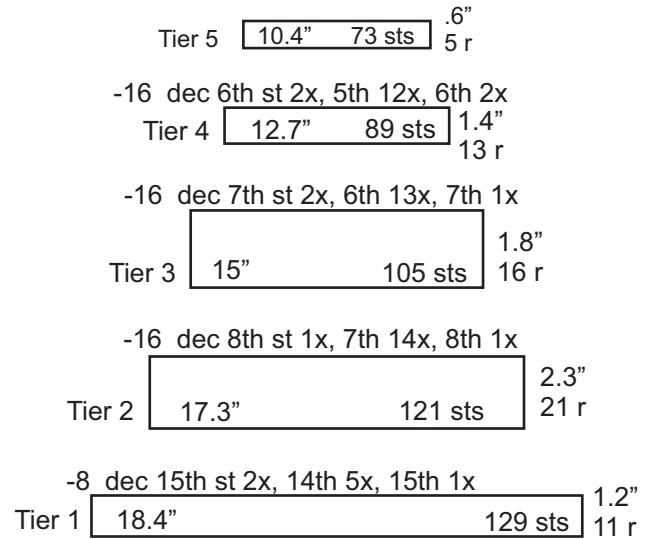


Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 168 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 127 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



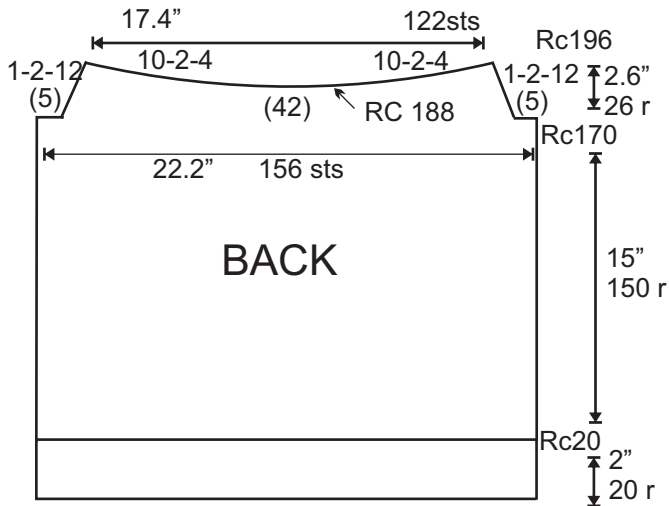
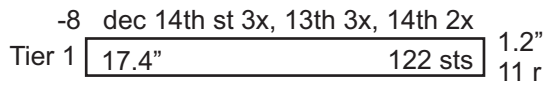
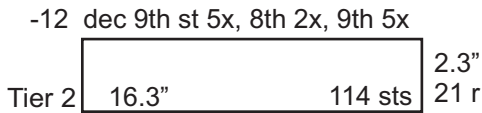
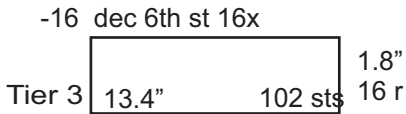
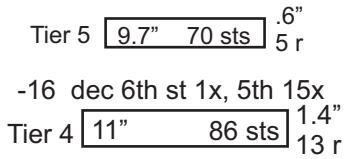
Shaping Notes

Shaping is sts-rows-times;
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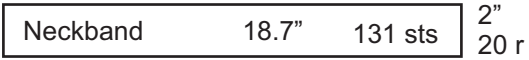
Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size L Finished Chest 44"

Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 4" in Fairisle

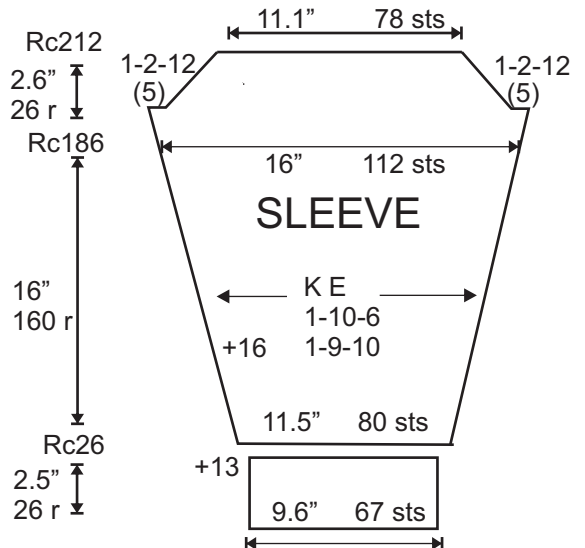
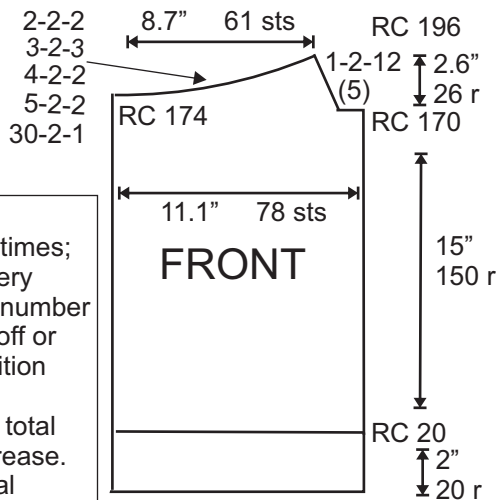
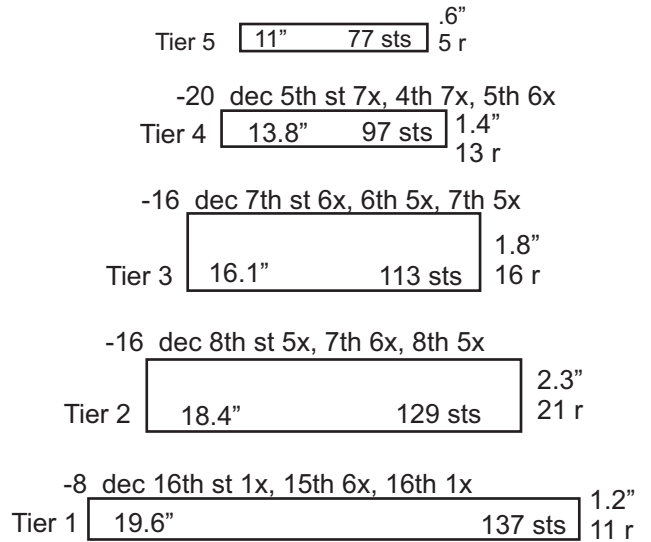


Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 174 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 131 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

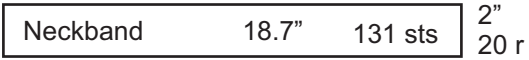
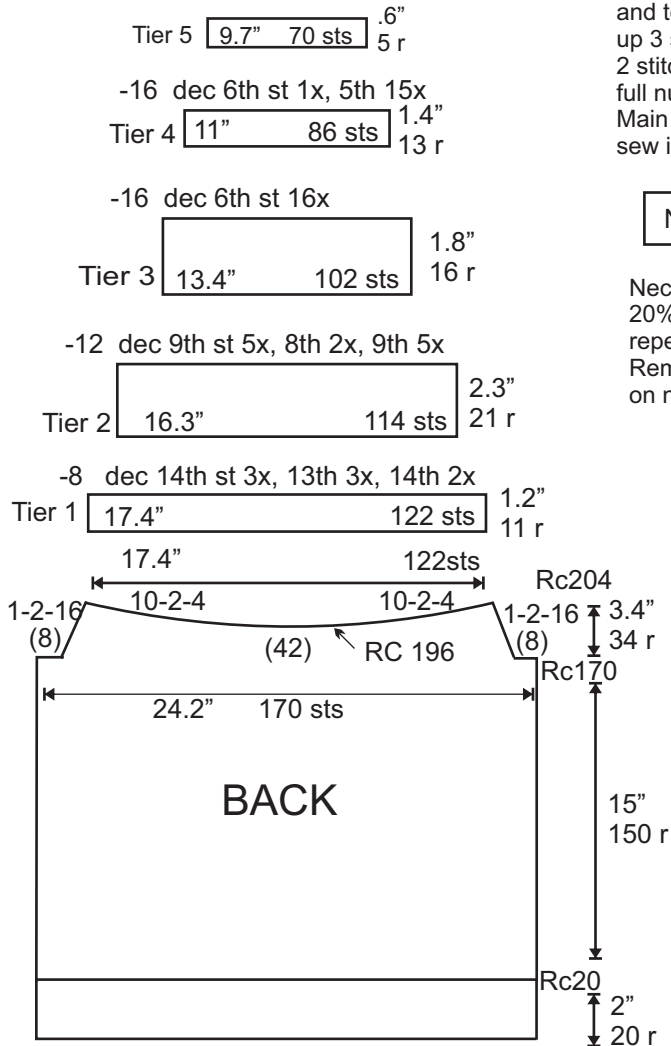
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Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size XL Finished Chest 48"

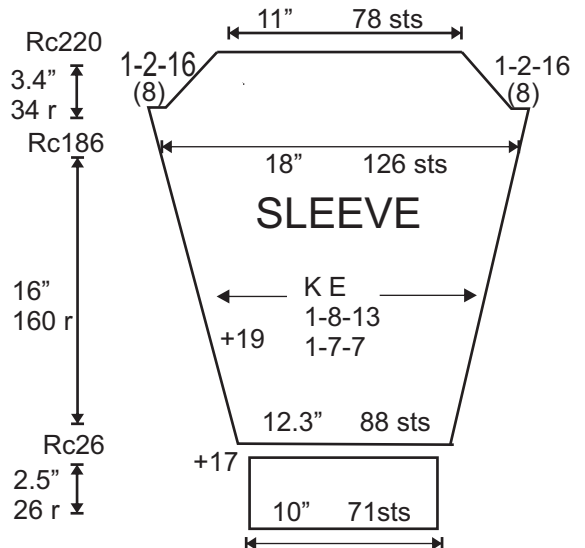
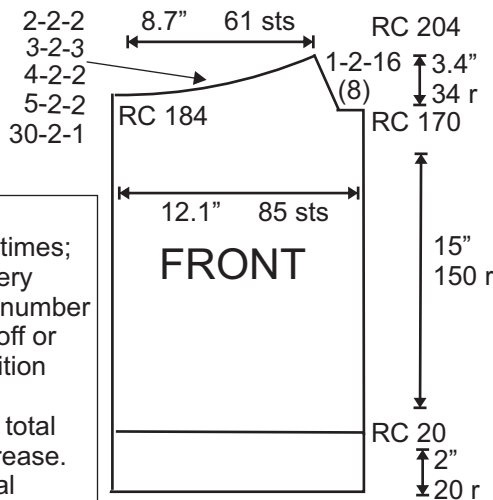
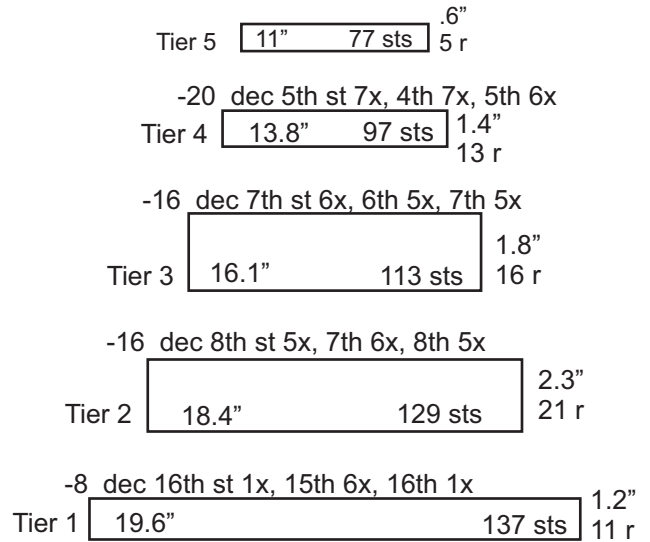
Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 4" in Fairisle

Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 174 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 131 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

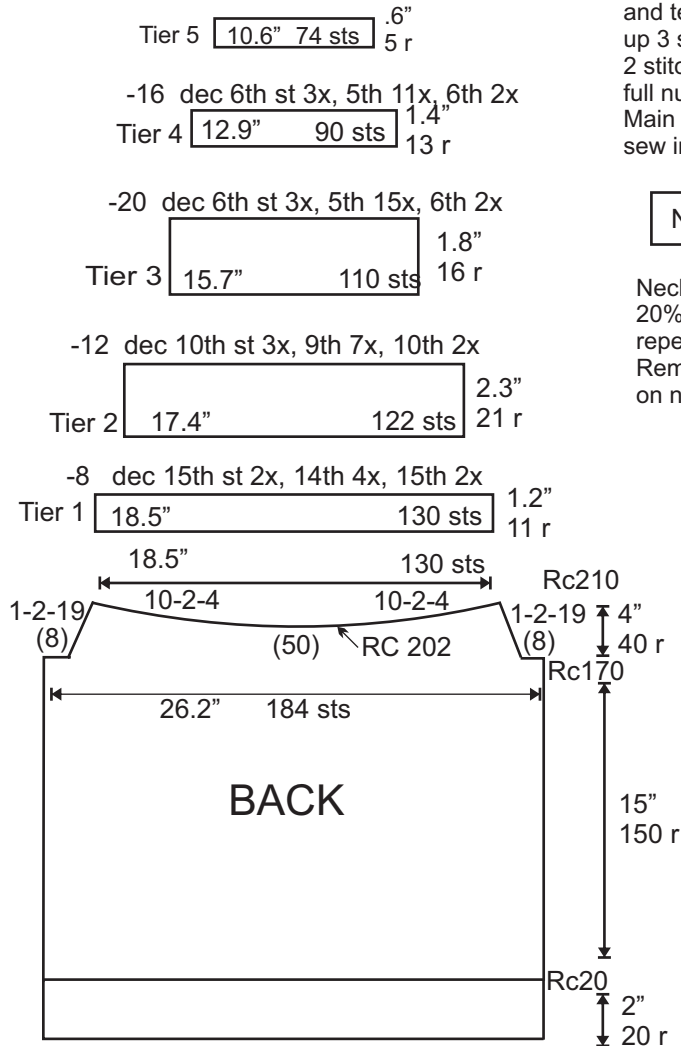
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Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size XXL Finished Chest 52"

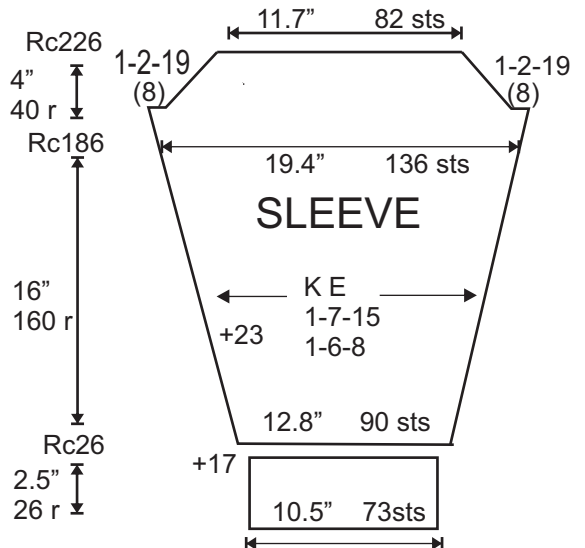
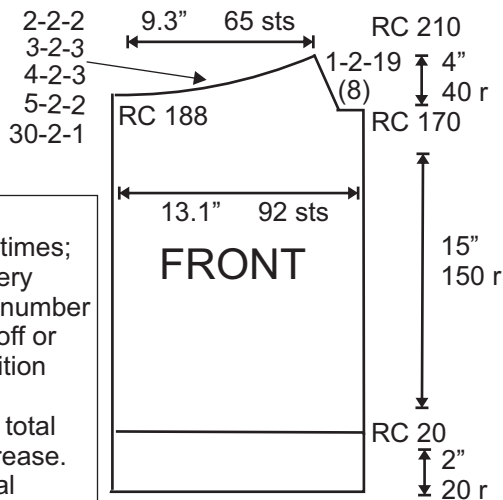
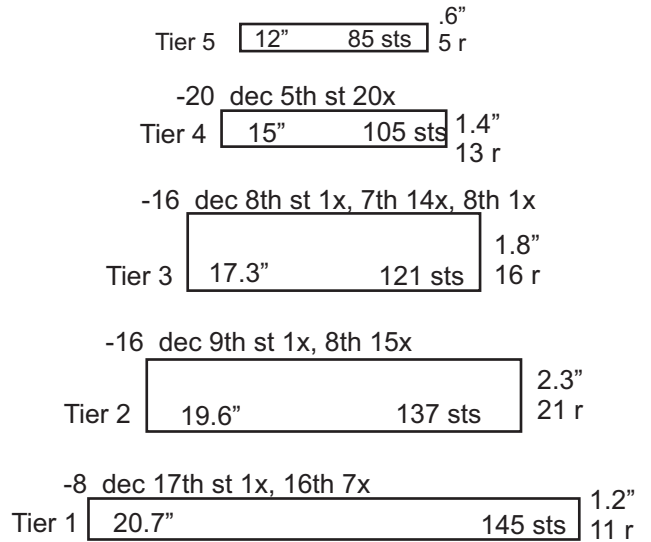
Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 4" in Fairisle

Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 192 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 145 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

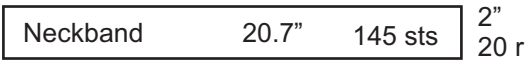
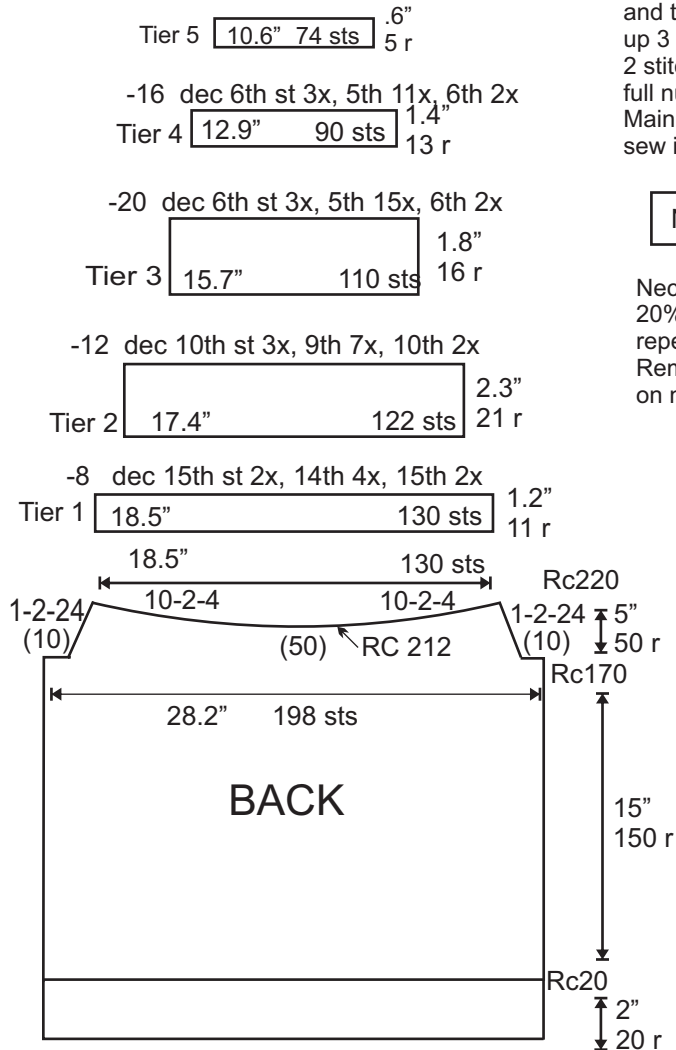
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Fairisle Yoke Cardigan

Size XXXL Finished Chest 56"

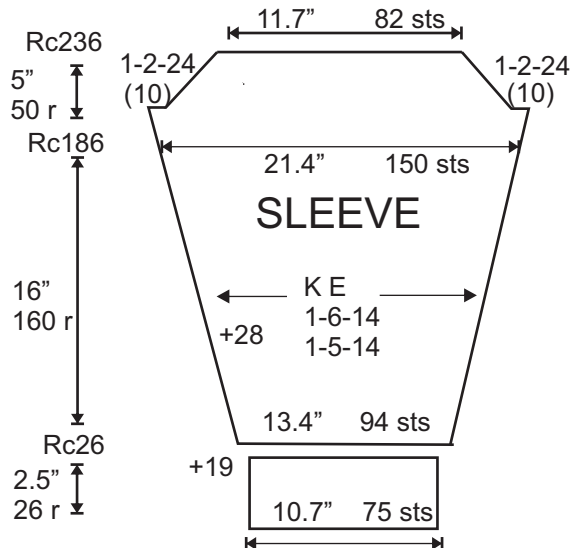
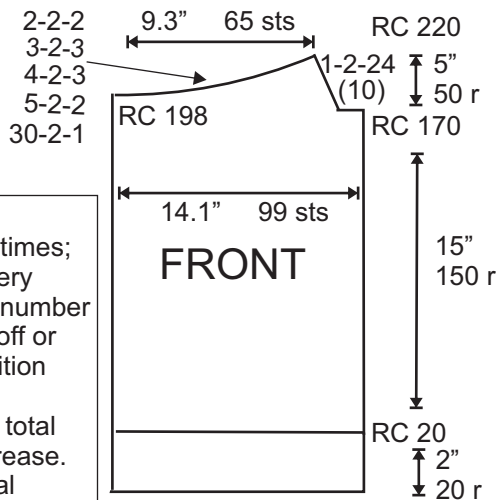
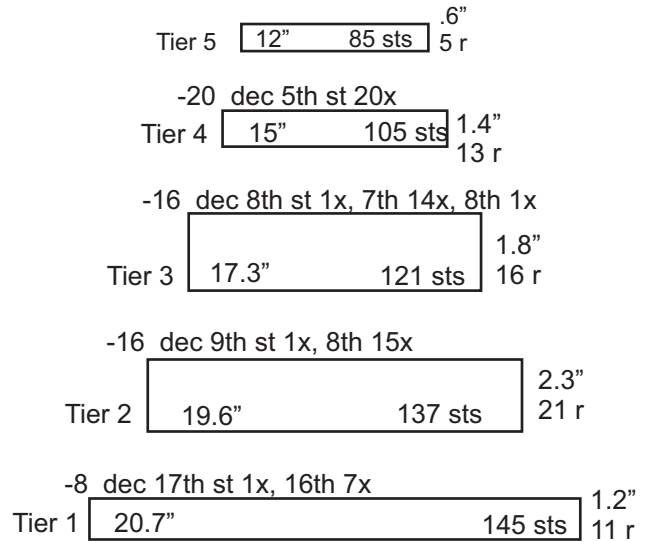
Gauge 7 sts, 10 R = 1" in stockinet
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Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 192 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 145 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

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number of sts to decrease
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Size S

Finished Chest 92 cm

Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 10 cm in Fairisle

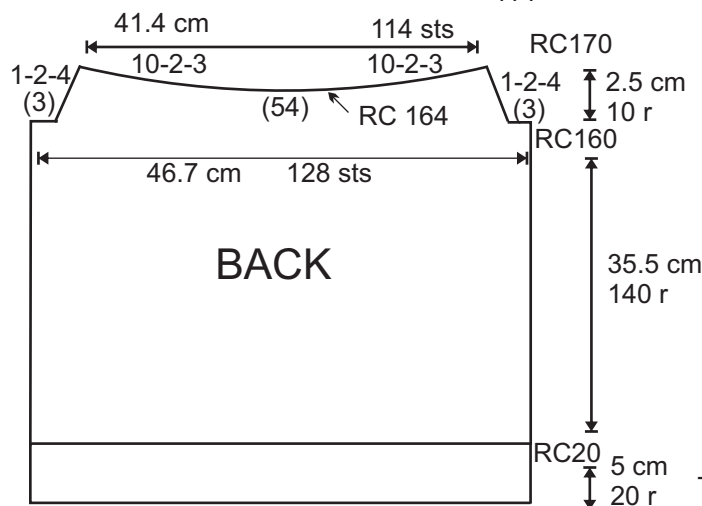
Tier 5 24.6 cm 68 sts 1.5 cm
5 r

-10 dec 8th st 1x, 7th 9x
Tier 4 28 cm 78 sts 3.6 cm
13 r

-16 dec 6th st 5x, 5th 7x, 6th 4x
Tier 3 34 cm 94 sts 4.6 cm
16 r

-12 dec 9th st 1x, 8th 10x, 9th 1x
Tier 2 38 cm 106 sts 5.8 cm
21 r

-8 dec 13th st 3x, 12th 2x, 13th 3x
Tier 1 41.4 cm 114 sts 3 cm
11 r



Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.

Neckband 45.7 cm 127 sts 5 cm
20 r

Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 168 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 127 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve

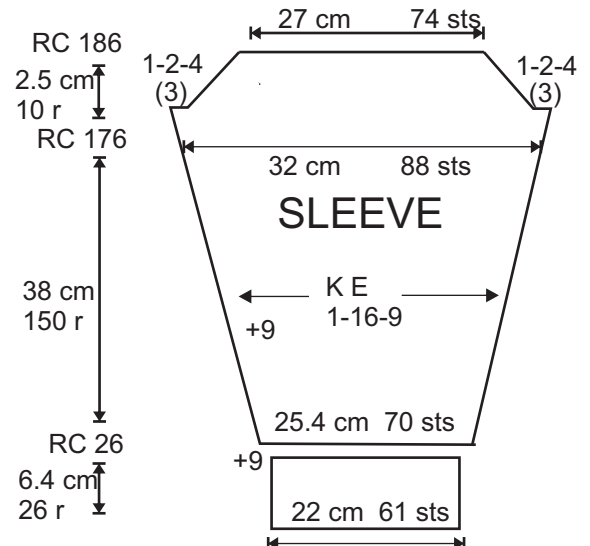
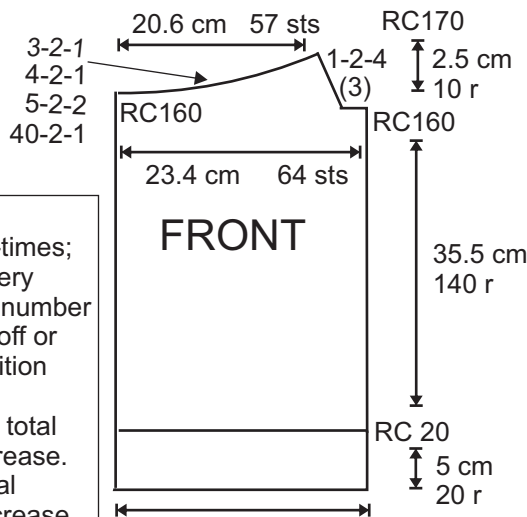
Tier 5 26.4 cm 73 sts 1.5 cm
5 r

-16 dec 6th st 2x, 5th 12x, 6th 2x
Tier 4 32.3 cm 89 sts 3.6 cm
13 r

-16 dec 7th st 2x, 6th 13x, 7th 1x
Tier 3 38 cm 105 sts 4.6 cm
16 r

-16 dec 8th st 1x, 7th 14x, 8th 1x
Tier 2 44 cm 121 sts 5.8 cm
21 r

-8 dec 15th st 2x, 14th 5x, 15th 1x
Tier 1 46.7 cm 129 sts 3 cm
11 r



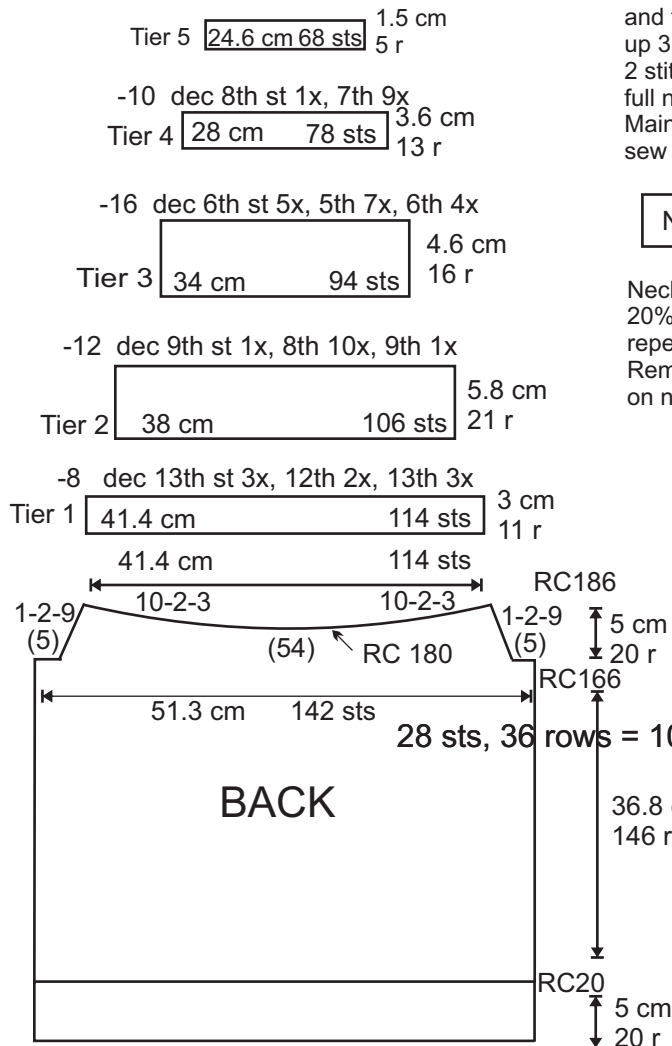
Shaping Notes

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Size M Finished Chest 102 cm

Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 10 cm in Fairisle

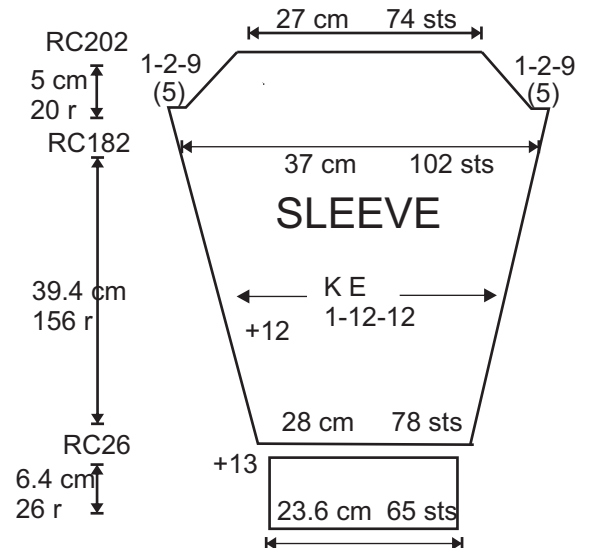
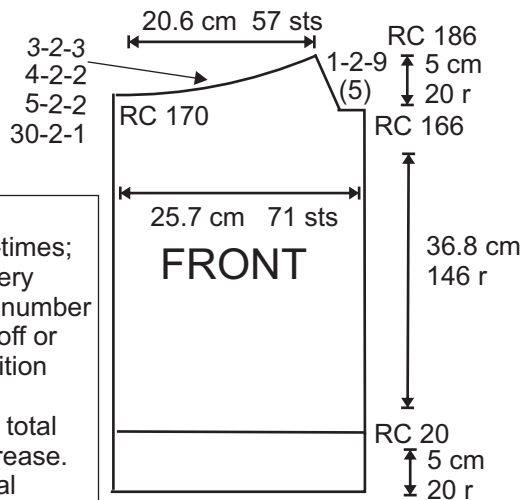
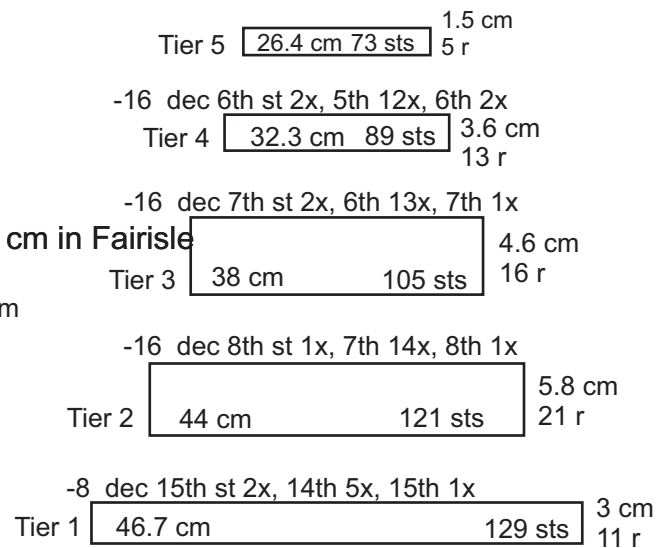


Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 168 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 127 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

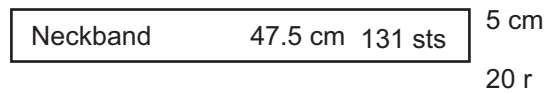
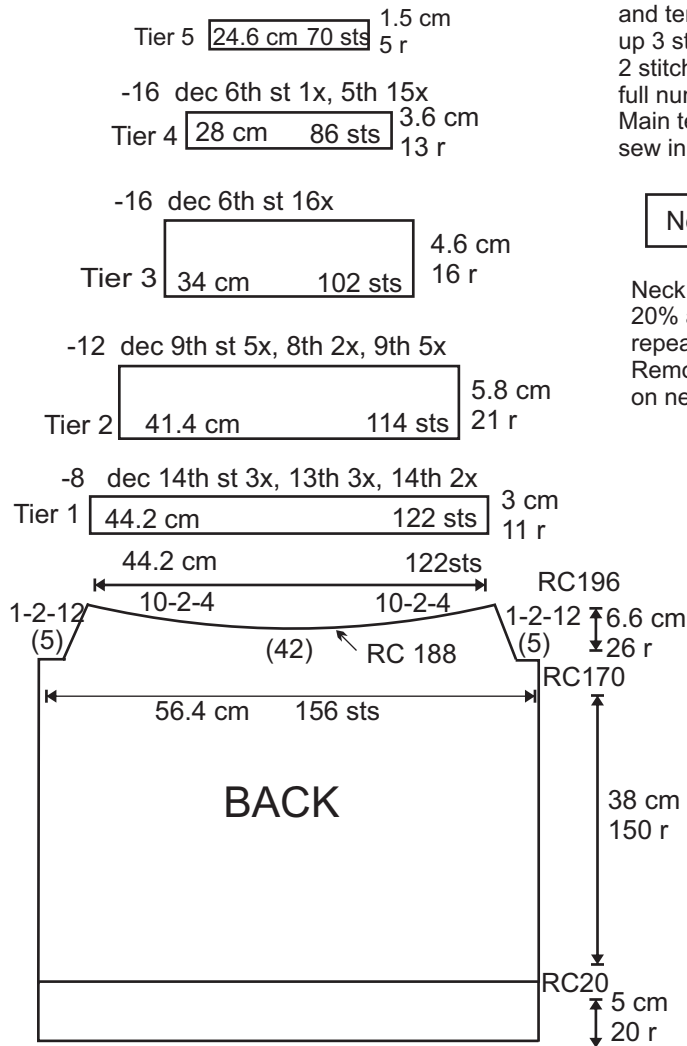
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Size L Finished Chest 112 cm

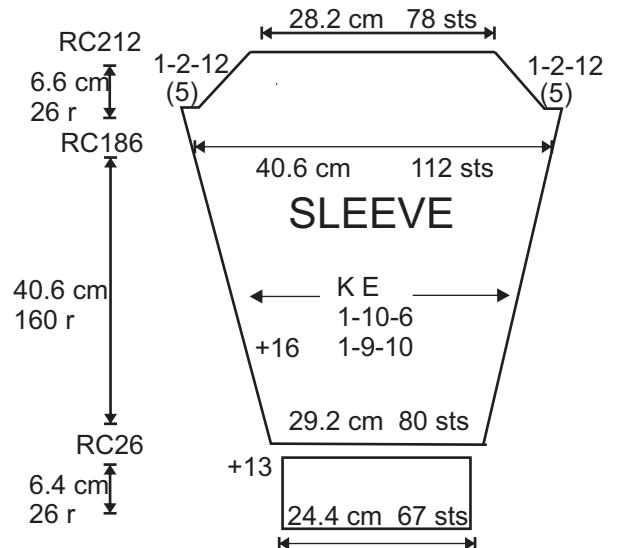
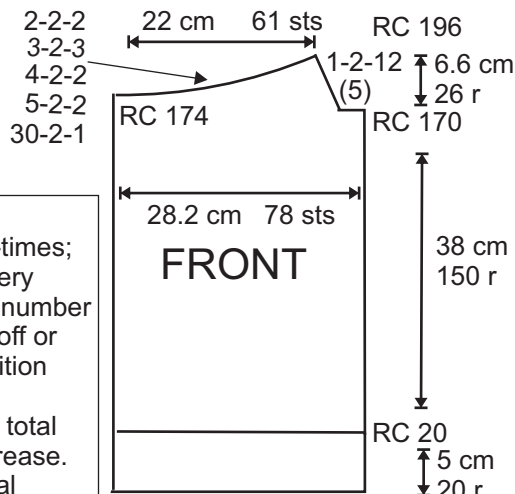
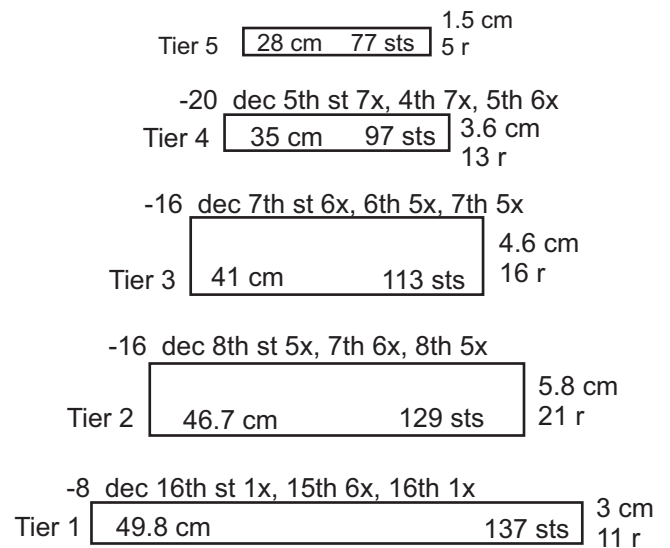
Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 10 cm in Fairisle

Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 174 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 131 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

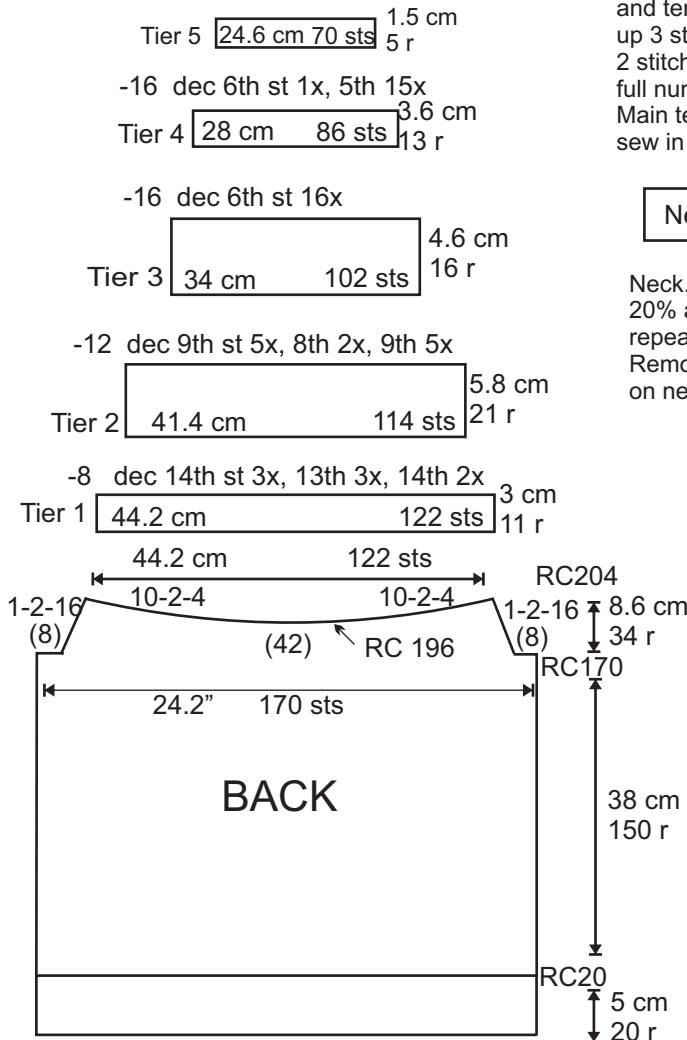
Shaping is sts-rows-times;
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Size XL Finished Chest 122 cm

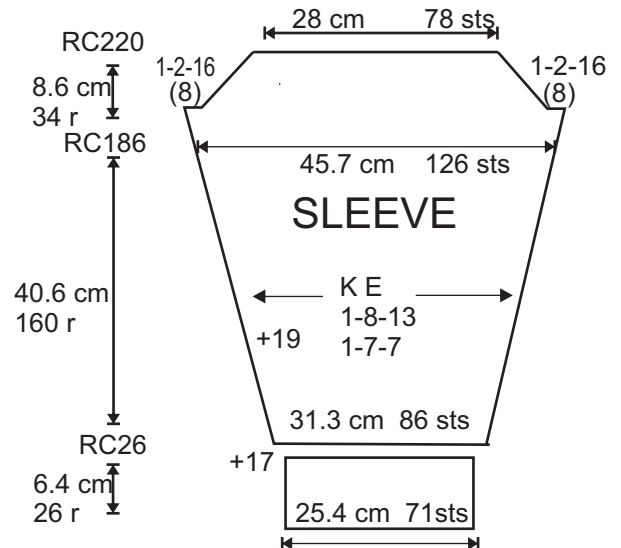
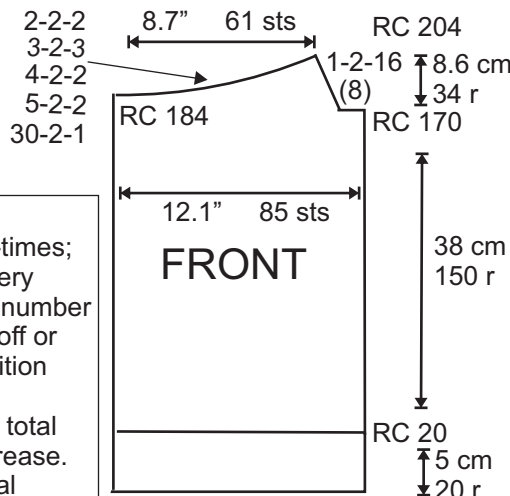
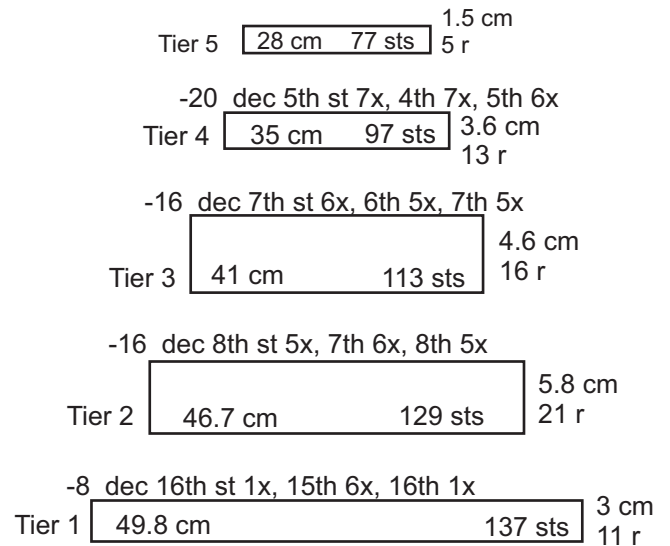
Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 10 cm in Fairisle

Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 174 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 131 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

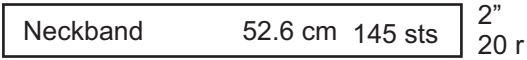
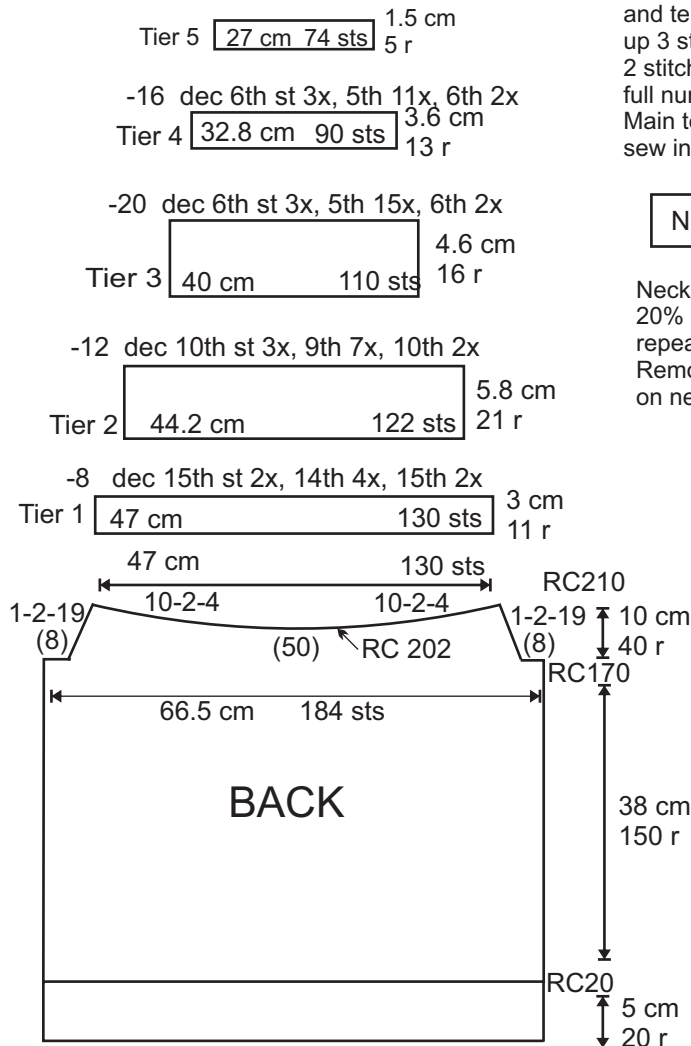
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Size XXL Finished Chest 132 cm

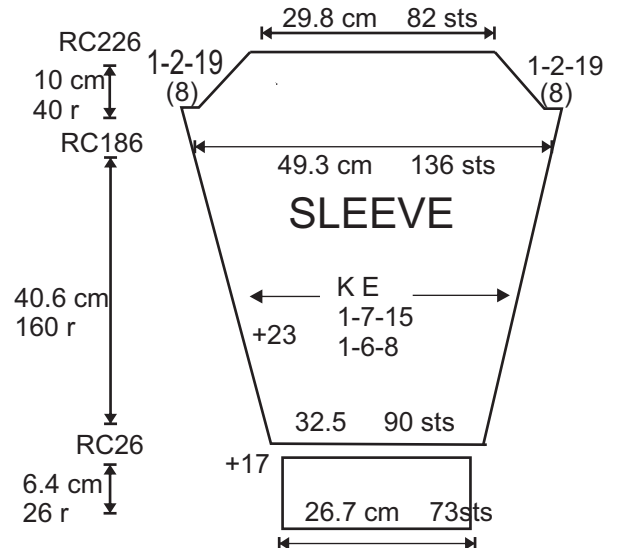
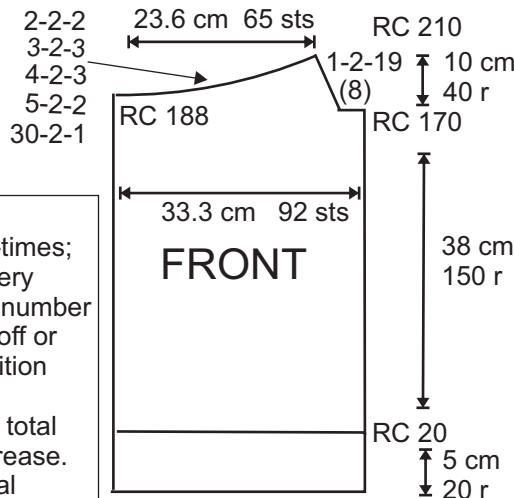
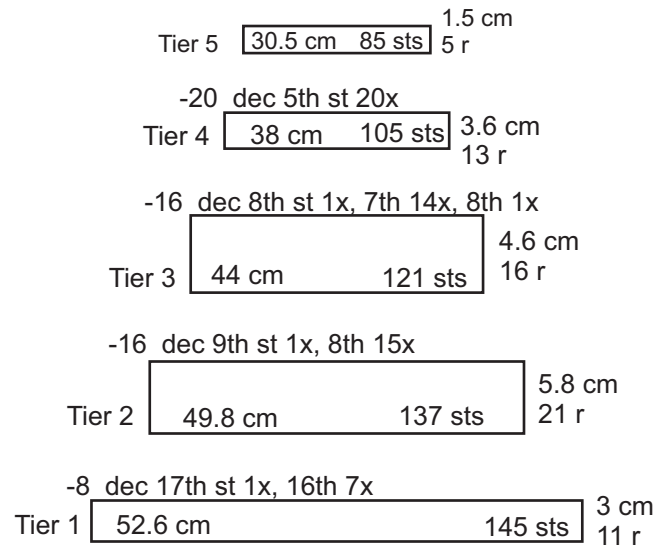
Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
28 sts, 36 rows = 10 cm in Fairisle

Front Bands. Exact number of stitches will vary, depending on yarn and tension. This should be used as an approximate guideline. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows in ribbing and stockinet sections, and 2 stitches for every 3 rows in Fairisle Yoke section. Main tension -1 full number, knit 12 rows. Main tension +1 full number, knit 1 row. Main tension -1 full number, knit 11 rows. Bind off. Turn to inside and sew in place.



Neck. Join yoke seams, rehang on 192 needles, decreasing 20% as follows: * 1 st on each of next 3 ndls, 2 st on next ndl; repeat from *. K 2 rs main color, 3 rs Fairisle, 2 rs main color. Remove on waste yarn. Rehang on 145 ndls, as follows** 1 st on next ndl, 2 sts on next ndl. Repeat from **.

Yoke for combined Front and Sleeve



Shaping Notes

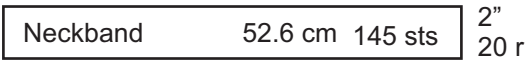
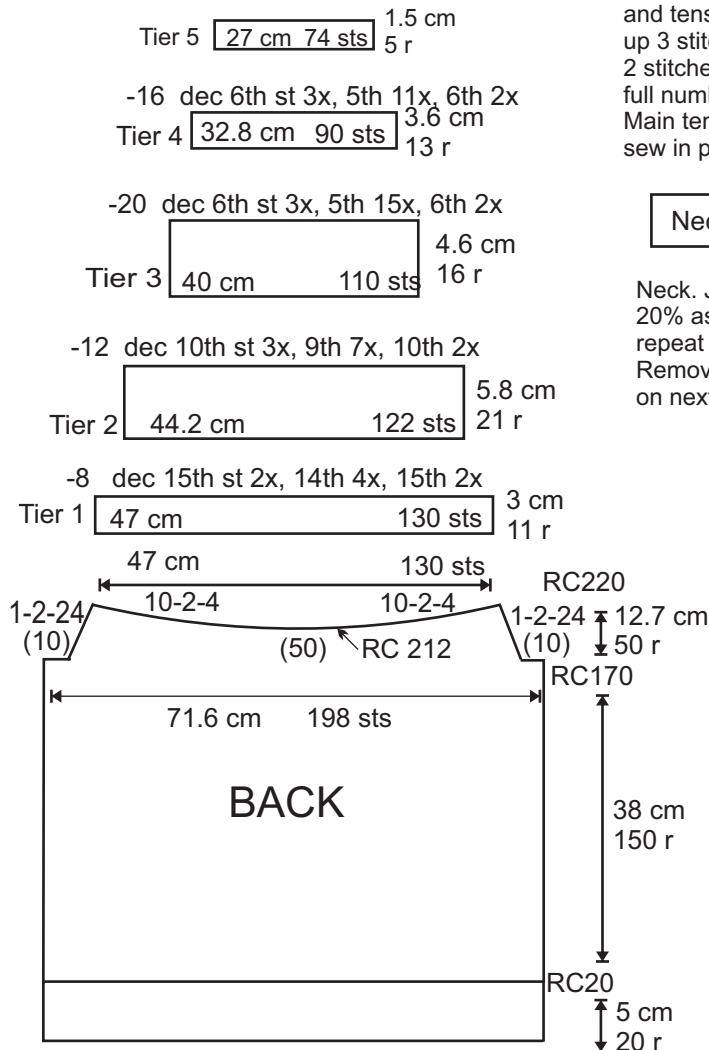
Shaping is sts-rows-times;
1-2-4 means 1 st every 2 rows 4 times. The number in () is either bound off or placed into hold position when short-rowing.
+ on sleeves means total number of sts to increase.
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Size XXXL Finished Chest 142 cm

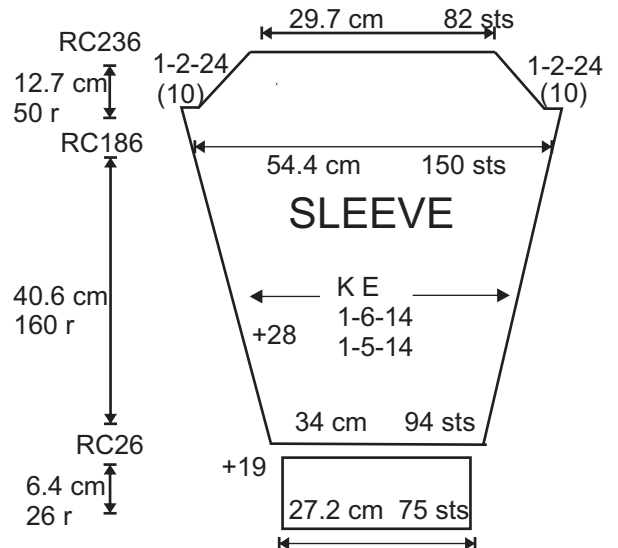
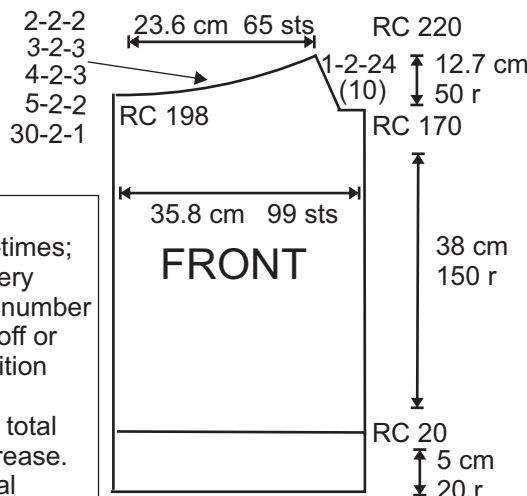
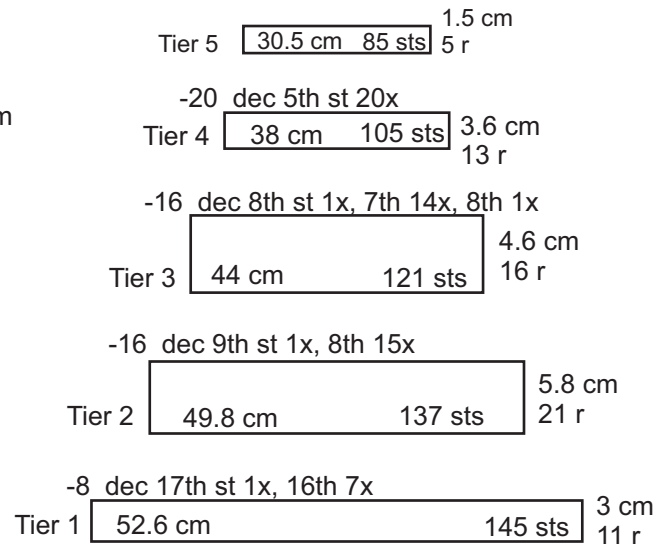
Gauge 28 sts, 40 rows = 10 cm in stockinet
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