

# Free Knitting Pattern LION BRAND® WOOL-EASE THICK & QUICK® COMFY STRIPED CARDIGAN

# Pattern Number: M20328 WETQ



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# SKILL LEVEL – EASY

# SIZES

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

**Finished Bust** About 43 1/2 (47, 50 1/2, 54) in. (110.5 (119.5, 128.5, 137) cm), including front bands **Finished Length** About 24 (24 1/2, 25, 25 1/2) in. (61 (62, 63.5, 65) 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 THICK & QUICK<sup>®</sup> (Art. #640)
#137Terracotta 3 (3, 4, 4) balls (A)
#127 Peanut 2 (3, 3, 4) balls (B)
#099 Fisherman 1 (2, 2, 2) ball(s) (C)

- LION BRAND® stitch holders
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle

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# ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 40 in. (101.5 cm) long

# GAUGE

9 sts = about 4 in. (10 cm); 14 rows = about 5 in. (12.5 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

# **STITCH EXPLANATIONS**

M1 (make 1) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop -1 st increased.

**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. Cardigan is made in 3 pieces: Body and 2 Sleeves.
- 2. Body is worked from lower edge upwards. Piece is divided at underarms then fronts and back are worked separately up to shoulders.

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- 3. Sleeves are worked separately.
- 4. Yarn color is changed following Stripe Sequences. When changing yarn color, do not cut old color if it will be used again in a few rows. This will reduce the number of yarn ends to weave in later.
- 5. A circular needle is used to accommodate the number of stitches. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
- 6. The band is worked from sts picked up along front and neck edges.
- 7. When you see 'work even' in the instructions, this means to continue on in the pattern st you have established without changing the st count by increasing, decreasing, or binding off.

# <u>BODY</u>

#### **STRIPE SEQUENCE FOR BODY**

Work \* 2 rows with B, 2 rows with A, (2 rows with B, 2 rows with C) twice, 2 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 2 rows with A, 2 rows with C, 2 rows with B, 2 rows with C; rep from \* for Stripe Sequence for Body.

With A cast on 109 (117, 125, 133) sts.

Row 1 (WS): With A, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Do not cut A.

Row 2: With B, knit.

**Row 3:** With B, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Do not cut B.

Rows 4 and 5: With A, rep Rows 2 and 3.

Do not cut A.

#### Beg Stripe Sequence for Body

Rows 1 and 2: With B, beg with a RS row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 2 rows

**Row 3 (Decrease Row – RS):** With A, k1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – you will have 107 (115, 123, 131) sts in this row.

Row 4: With A, purl.

Rep Rows 1-4 for 9 more times and continue to change color following Stripe Sequence for Body – 89 (97, 105, 113) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Continue to change yarn color following Stripe Sequence for Body to end of piece.

#### Divide for Fronts and Back

#### Next Row (RS): Knit.

Next Row (WS): P18 (20, 21, 23) and place these sts on a holder for left front, bind off 6 (6, 8, 8) sts for armhole, purl until there are 41 (45, 47, 51) sts on right needle and place these sts on a holder for back, bind off 6 (6, 8, 8) sts for second armhole, p to end of row for right front – 18 (20, 21, 23) sts rem on needle for right front.

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# **Right Front**

**Decrease Row (RS):** K1, k2tog, k to end of row – 17 (19, 20, 22) sts.

Work even in St st for 3 rows.

Rep Decrease Row – 16 (18, 19, 21) sts.

Rep last 4 rows until only 13 (14, 15, 16) sts rem.

Work even in St st until right front measures about 7 1/2 (8, 8 1/2, 9) in. (19 (20.5, 21.5, 23) cm) from divide, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Bind off.

# Back

Return the 41 (45, 47, 51) back sts to needle so that you are ready to work a RS row.

Work even in St st until back measures same as right front, ending with same stripe as on right front. *Bind off.* 

# Left Front

Return the 18 (20, 21, 23) left front sts to needle so that you are ready to work a RS row.

Decrease Row (RS): K to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 17 (19, 20, 22) sts.

Work even in St st for 3 rows.

Rep Decrease Row – 16 (18, 19, 21) sts.

Rep last 4 rows until only 13 (14, 15, 16) sts rem.

Work even in St st until left front measures same as back, ending with same stripe as on back. Bind off.

# **SLEEVES** (make 2)

### STRIPE SEQUENCE FOR SLEEVES

Work \* 4 rows with B, 2 rows with C, 4 rows with B, 2 rows with A, 4 rows with C, 2 rows with B, 4 rows with C, 2 rows with A; rep from \* for Stripe Sequence for Sleeves.

With A, cast on 23 (25, 27, 29) sts.

Row 1 (WS): With A, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Do not cut A.

Row 2: With B, knit.

**Row 3:** With B, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Do not cut B.

Rows 4 and 5: With A, rep Rows 2 and 3.

Do not cut A.

## Beg Stripe Sequence for Sleeve

Rows 1 and 2: With B, beg with a RS row, work in St st for 2 rows

Row 3 (Increase Row – RS): With B, k1, M1, k to last st, M1, k1 – 25 (27, 29, 31) sts.

Row 4: With B, purl.

Rows 5 and 6: With C, work in St st for 2 rows.

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Rows 7-10: With B, work in St st for 4 rows.

**Row 11:** With A, rep Increase Row – 27 (29, 31, 33) sts.

Rep Rows 4-11 for 4 more times and continue to change color following Stripe Sequence for Sleeves – 35 (37, 39, 41) sts when all increases have been completed.

Work even in St st and continue to change yarn color following Stripe Sequence for Sleeves until piece measures about 22 in. (56 cm) from beg.

Bind off.

# FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

#### Front Bands

Pick-Up Row (RS): From RS with A, beg at lower right front corner, pick up and k1 st in end of each row up right front edge to shoulder seam, pick up and k15 (17, 17, 19) sts along back neck, pick up and k the same number of sts down left front edge as were picked up along right front edge. Note: You will have an odd number of sts total.

**Row 1 (WS):** With A, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Do not cut A.

Row 2: With B, knit.

**Row 3:** With B, k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end of row.

Cut B

Rows 4 and 5: With A, rep Rows 2 and 3.

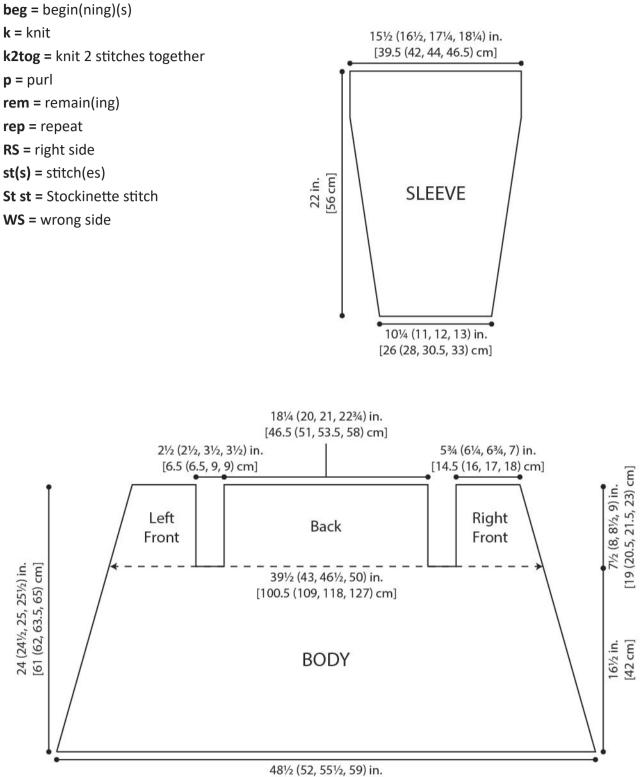
Bind off.

Sew Sleeve seams.

Sew Sleeves into armholes.

Weave in ends.

# **ABBREVIATIONS**



#### 48½ (52, 55½, 59) In. [123 (132, 141, 150) cm]

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