*Free Knitting Pattern*

## LION BRAND® WOOL EASE THICK & QUICK

# LITTLE BLACK CAT PULLOVER

Pattern Number: M21151 WETQ

## SKILL LEVEL – INTERMEDIATE

## APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME: VARIES

## SIZES

S (M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X)

**Finished Bust** About 40 (45, 49, 53 1/2, 56, 61 1/2) in. (101.5 (114.5, 124.5, 136, 142, 156) cm)

**Finished Length** About 22 (23 1/4, 24 1/2, 24 3/4, 26 1/4, 26 3/4) in. (56 (59, 62, 63, 66.5, 68) cm)

**Note:** Pattern is written for smaller 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.

## SUPPLIES & TOOLS

- LION BRAND® WOOL-EASE® THICK & QUICK® (Art. #640)

  #147 Eggplant 5 (6, 7, 8, 9, 10) balls (A)

  #099 Fisherman 1 ball (B)

  #189 Butterscotch 1 ball (C)

  #151 Graphite 1 ball (D)
- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® stitch holders
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle
- Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 16 in. (40.5 cm) long
- Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 24 in. (61 cm) long
- Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long
- Circular knitting needle size 13 (9 mm), 40 in. (101.5 cm) long
- Double pointed knitting needles size 13 (9 mm)

## GAUGE

10 sts + 16 rnds = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k every st of every rnd).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## DIRECTIONS

**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.

# PATTERN STITCH

## K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds (over an even number of sts)

**Rnd 1:** *K1, p1; rep from * to end of rnd.

**Rnd 2:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Rnd 2 for K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds.

# NOTES

1. Pullover is worked in one piece in the rnd from the neck downwards.

2. Piece is divided at underarms then body and sleeves are worked separately in rnds.

3. Stranded colorwork patterns are worked over yoke, following Charts. Read all rnds of Charts from right to left. When working in stranded colorwork, carry yarn color not in use loosely across WS of piece.

4. 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.

# PULLOVER:

## *Yoke:*

With shortest needle and A, cast on 42 (48, 52, 56, 62, 66) sts.

Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 4 rnds.

**Note:** As you increase sts in the following rnds, change to longer and longer circular needle whenever sts have been sufficiently increased.

**Next Rnd (Increase Rnd):** * K2, M1; rep from * around – you will have 63 (72, 78, 84, 93, 99) sts in this rnd.

**Next Rnd:** Knit AND increase 1 (0, 2, 0, 3, 1) sts evenly spaced around – 64 (72, 80, 84, 96, 100) sts. Note: To increase a st use M1.
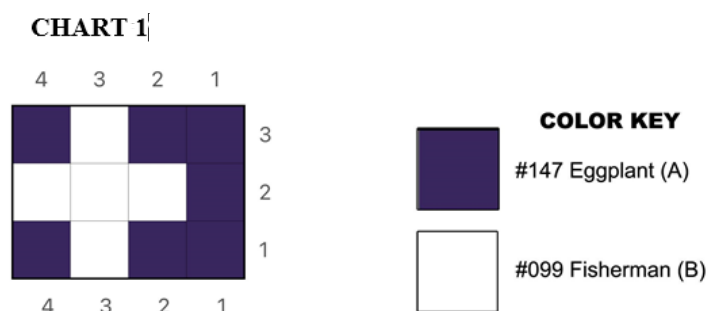
**Next Rnd:** Knit.

## *Chart 1 Pattern:*

**Rnd 1:** Work in St st (k every st of every rnd) AND change yarn color following Rnd 1 of Chart 1, repeating the 4-sts of the chart 16 (18, 20, 21, 24, 25) times around.

Continue in St st and change yarn color following Chart 1 until all 3 rnds of Chart 1 have been completed.

Cut B.

**CHART 1**

| 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | |
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| ■ | □ | ■ | ■ | 3 |
| □ | □ | □ | ■ | 2 |
| ■ | □ | ■ | ■ | 1 |
| 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | |

**COLOR KEY**

■ #147 Eggplant (A)
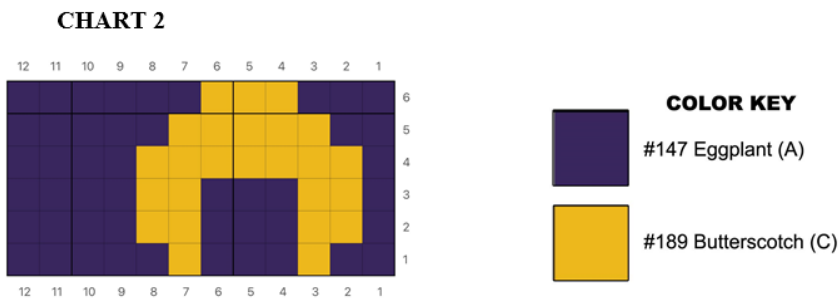
□ #099 Fisherman (B)

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit.

**Next Rnd (Increase Rnd):** With A, * k2, M1; rep from * around – 96 (108, 120, 126, 144, 150) sts.

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit AND increase 0 (0, 0, 6, 0, 6) sts evenly spaced around - 96 (108, 120, 132, 144, 156) sts.

## *Chart 2 Pattern:*

**Rnd 1:** Work in St st AND change yarn color following Rnd 1 of Chart 2, repeating the 12-sts of the chart 8 (9, 10, 11, 12, 13) times around.

Continue in St st and change yarn color following Chart 2 until all 6 rnds of Chart 2 have been completed.

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**CHART 2**



**COLOR KEY**

#147 Eggplant (A)

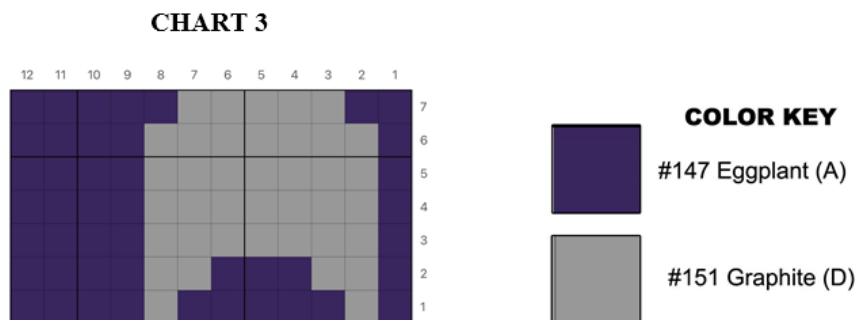#189 Butterscotch (C)

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit.

**Next Rnd (Increase Rnd):** With A, * k3, M1; rep from * around – 128 (144, 160, 176, 192, 208) sts.

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit AND increase/decrease 4 (0, -4, -8, 0, -4) sts evenly spaced around – 132 (144, 156, 168, 192, 204) sts. Note: To decrease a st, use k2tog.

## *Chart 3 Pattern: (Cat Faces)*

**Rnd 1:** Work in St st AND change yarn color following Rnd 1 of Chart 3, repeating the 12-sts of the chart 11 (12, 13, 14, 16, 17) times around.

Continue in St st and change yarn color following Chart 3 until all 7 rnds of Chart 3 have been completed.

Cut D.

**CHART 3**



**COLOR KEY**

#147 Eggplant (A)

#151 Graphite (D)

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit.

**Next Rnd:** With A, * k4 (4, 4, 4, 8, 6), M1; rep from * around – 165 (180, 195, 210, 216, 238) sts.

**Next Rnd:** With A, knit AND decrease -1 (0, -1, 0, 0, 0) sts evenly spaced around – 164 (180, 194, 210, 216, 238) sts.

With A, work even in St st worked in rnds until piece measures about 9 1/2 (10 3/4, 11, 11 1/4, 11 3/4, 12 1/4) in. (24 (27.5, 28, 28.5, 30, 31) cm) from beg.

## Divide for Body and Sleeves.

**Note:** If necessary, change to a shorter needle while working the next rnd.

**Rnd 1:** With A, k44 (50, 55, 61, 62, 69) for front, place next 38 (40, 42, 44, 46, 50) sts on a holder for sleeve, cast on 6 (6, 6, 6, 8, 8) sts for underarm, k44 (50, 55, 61, 62, 69) for back, place next 38 (40, 42, 44, 46, 50) sts on a holder for 2nd sleeve, cast on 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4) sts, place marker for beg of rnd, cast on 3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4) sts for underarm – 100 (112, 122, 134, 140, 154) sts rem on needle for body.

With A, work even in St st worked in rnds until piece measures about 10 (10, 11, 11, 12, 12) in. (25.5 (25.5, 28, 28, 30.5, 30.5) cm) from divide.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 8 rnds.

Bind off.

## Sleeves:

**Rnd 1:** Return the 38 (40, 42, 44, 46, 50) sts of one sleeve to shortest needle, pick up and k3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4) sts along first half of underarm edge, place marker for beg of rnd, pick up and k3 (3, 3, 3, 4, 4) sts along 2nd half of underarm edge – 44 (46, 48, 50, 54, 58) sts.

With A, work even in St st worked in rnds until piece measures about 14 1/2 (14 1/2, 15, 15, 15 1/2, 15 1/2) in. (37 (37, 38, 38, 39.5, 39.5) cm) from divide.

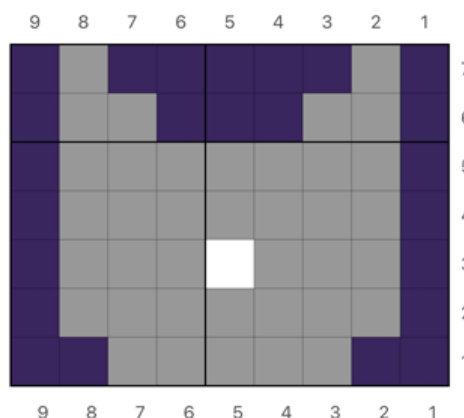Change to double pointed needles as you work the next rnd.

**Next Rnd:** K0 (2, 0, 2, 2, 2), * k2tog; rep from * around – 22 (24, 24, 26, 28, 30) sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 8 rnds.

Bind off. Rep for 2nd sleeve.

# FINISHING

From RS with B, duplicate stitch a nose on each of the Cat Faces of Chart 3. Refer to chart below for placement.



Weave in yarn ends.

# ABBREVIATIONS

**beg =** begin(ning)

**k =** knit

**k2tog =** knit 2 stitches together

**p =** purl

**rem =** remain(ing)

**rep =** repeat

**RS =** right side

**rnd(s) =** round(s)

**St st =** Stockinette stitch

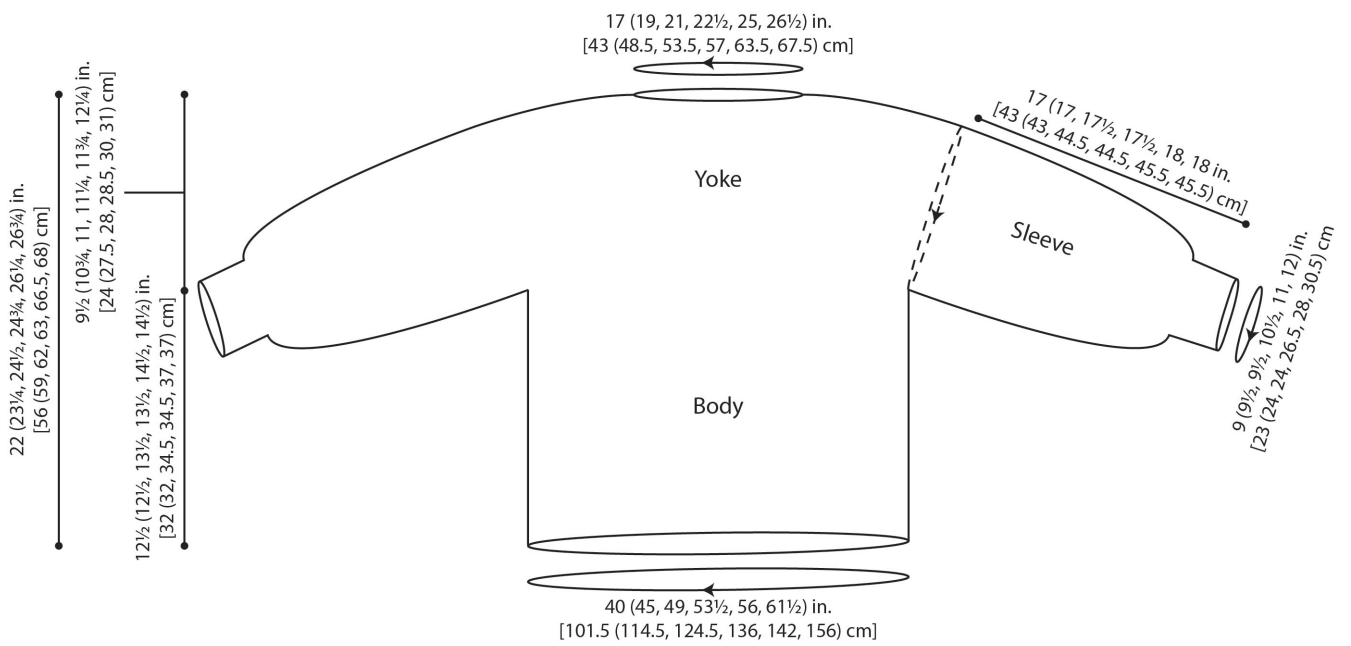**st(s) =** stitch(es)

**WS =** wrong side

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17 (19, 21, 22½, 25, 26½) in.
[43 (48.5, 53.5, 57, 63.5, 67.5) cm]

17 (17, 17½, 17½, 18, 18 in.
[43 (43, 44.5, 44.5, 45.5, 45.5) cm]

Yoke

Sleeve

9 (9½, 9½, 10½, 11, 12) in.
[23 (24, 24, 26.5, 28, 30.5) cm]

9½ (10¾, 11, 11¼, 11¾, 12¼) in.
[24 (27.5, 28, 28.5, 30, 31) cm]

22 (23¼, 24¼, 24½, 26¼, 26¾) in.
[56 (59, 62, 63, 66.5, 68) cm]

12½ (12½, 13½, 13½, 14½, 14½) in.
[32 (32, 34.5, 34.5, 37, 37) cm]

Body

40 (45, 49, 53½, 56, 61½) in.
[101.5 (114.5, 124.5, 136, 142, 156) cm]