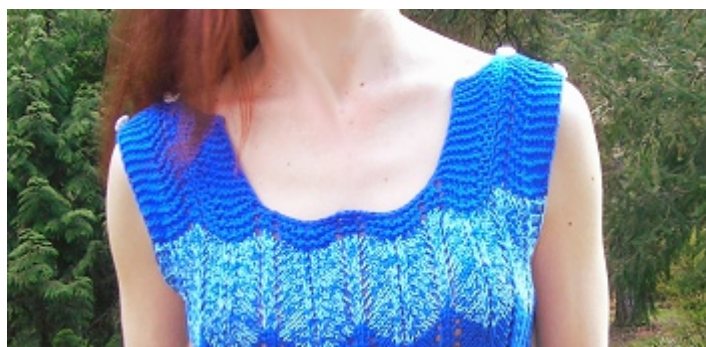




SEA WAVE Summer Top



A summer cotton lace tank knitted in one piece from the bottom up in the round. 2 strands of sport weight yarn in two colors worked in different combinations are used for this design. No extra trimming needed as edges are integrated into the knit. No seams either! You will just have to sew buttons on, attaching the straps to each other.

Level of Skills: Intermediate

Sizes: Teenage Girl's/Women's XS [S, M, L/XL, XL/XXL]

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 31 [33½, 39, 42, 48]" /79 [85, 99, 107, 122] cm

Length (front neckline to hem): 18" /46 cm

Strap length to armhole: 6 [6½, 7, 7½, 8]" /15 [16.5, 18, 19, 20] cm

RECOMMENDED YARN

Baby/sport fine-weight yarn for 2-strand knitting
(1.8 oz/50g per skein)

- Blue yarn 2 [3, 3, 3, 3] skeins;
- Dark blue yarn 2 [3, 3, 3, 3] skeins

Total 4 [6, 6, 6, 6] skeins

RECOMMENDED NEEDLES

- US #7 or 8 (4.5 or 5 mm) circular needle, 24-29" (60-74 cm) long - for body piece;
- US #7 or 8 (4.5 or 5 mm) straight needles, 12-14" (30-36 cm) long - for straps

NOTIONS

- Stitch marker, needle, buttons (4 pcs);
- Waste yarn and stitch holder to hold back, underarm and strap sts

GAUGE

16 sts = 4"/10 cm in stockinette stitch

20 sts = 4"/10 cm in ripple lace stitch

NOTES

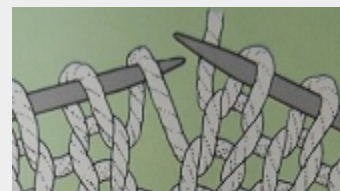
Working with **2 strands**: hold 2 strands of yarn in respective color(s) according to the instructions.

Variegated yarn: 1 strand of blue yarn and 1 strand of dark blue yarn make variegated yarn.

In case of variations, the instructions for different sizes are given for XS size before the square brackets and for other sizes respectively within the brackets: XS [S, M, L/XL, XL/XXL].

ABBREVIATIONS

k: knit
p: purl
yo: yarn over
st(s): stitch(es)
k2tog: knit two sts together
ssk: slip, slip, knit (slip st, slip next st, knit 2 slipped sts together)
m1f: make 1 st front increase: with left needle, pick up loop running below between stitches and k1 through front of lifted loop (*do not twist loop as for regular m1*) - see pic.
slp: slip st purl-wise (slip 1st selvage st purl-wise)
ktbl: knit st through back loop (knit 2nd selvage st through back loop)



Working m1f increase

TUTORIAL

Swatch

Using circular needle, cast on 24 [24, 28, 28, 32] loose sts + sts for margins (*margins are omitted from this swatch pattern*). Work on right side only, imitating partial rounds and leaving sufficient strands in back when starting next row at right end of needle:

Row 1: *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], yo, k2, yo, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * once.

Row 2: knit.

Next rows: rep row 1 on odd rows and knit on even rows.

BODY

Using circular needle, cast on **156** [168, 196, 210, 240] loose sts with **blue yarn**, place st marker and join to work in the round.

Round 1 and every following odd round of body:

*ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], yo, k2, yo, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * around.

Round 2: purl.

Round 3: as round 1.

Round 4: knit.

Round 5: change to dark blue yarn and work as round 1.

Round 6: purl.

Round 7: change to blue yarn and work as round 1.

Round 8 and every following even round of body except round 44: knit.

Rounds 9-14: change to variegated yarn and work in pattern.

Rounds 15-42: change to blue yarn and work in pattern.

Round 43: change to dark blue yarn and work as round 1.

Round 44: purl.

Rounds 45-46: continue in pattern.

Round 47: change to variegated yarn and work as round 1.

Round 48-76: change to dark blue yarn and work in pattern.

Round 77: change to variegated yarn and work

*ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], m1f, k2, m1f, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * to end of round.

Rounds 78-85: as round 77 on every odd round and knit on even rounds.

DIVIDING FOR UPPER FRONT and BACK

The upper front and back are worked on the rows with same circular needle or straight needles.

Work round 86 (last one) and at its end start row 1 as instructed below. *Right side: odd rows; wrong side: even rows.*

Round 86: knit to last 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts, bind off 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] last sts knit-wise (*for first half of left underarm*).

Remove marker which is not needed anymore.

After removing marker, start working **row 1** of the upper front.

Row 1 (right side): bind off 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts knit-wise (*for other half of left underarm*), keep 1 st (*over which last bound-off st just was passed*) as selvage st on right needle, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], m1f, k2, m1f, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * 4 [4, 4, 5, 5] times, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl. *Be sure to continue vertical lines of decreases and increases; they should not be diverted.*

Place remaining sts (*for right underarm and back*) onto waste yarn on hold.

UPPER FRONT

Row 2 (wrong side): slp, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], purl to last 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Row 3 (right side): slp, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], m1f, k2, m1f, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * to last 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Rows 4-10: rep row 2 on wrong side and row 3 on right side.

Row 11: change to dark blue yarn and work

ktbl (*knit 1st selvage st for even color change line*), k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], yo, k2, yo, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog; rep from * to last 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Row 12: slp, knit throughout, end ktbl.

Row 13: slp, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], yo, k2, yo, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog; rep from * to last 6 [6, 7, 7, 8] sts, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Rows 14 and 15: rep rows 12 and 13.

FRONT NECKLINE and STRAPS

Row 16 (wrong side): slp, k23 [23, 27, 27, 31], bind off next sts tightly purl-wise to last 24 [24, 28, 28, 32] sts, k23 [23, 27, 27, 31], ktbl.

Each strap has 24 [24, 28, 28, 32] sts.

Place the right strap sts onto waste yarn or holder now if using circular needle or after next row if using straight needles.

Work left strap first.

FRONT LEFT STRAP

Row 17 (right side): slp, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], yo, k2, yo, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Row 18 (wrong side): slp, knit throughout, end ktbl.

Rows 19-37 [19-39, 19-41, 19-43, 19-45]: repeat row 17 on right side and row 18 on wrong side.

Bind off sts purl-wise on wrong side. Work right strap.

FRONT RIGHT STRAP

Place the front right strap sts onto needle. Work in same manner as the front left strap (*start on right side*).

UPPER BACK

Place the back and underarm sts onto needle and work starting at right underarm.

Row 1 (right side): bind off 12 [12, 14, 14, 16] sts knit-wise (*for underarm*), leave 1 st (*over which last bound-off st just was passed*) as selvage st on right needle, k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], *ssk, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], m1f, k2, m1f, k3 [3, 4, 4, 5], k2tog, rep from * 3 [4, 4, 4, 4] times, end k5 [5, 6, 6, 7], ktbl.

Rows 2-37 [2-39, 2-41, 2-43, 2-45]: as rows 2-37 [2-39, 2-41, 2-43, 2-45] of upper front.

FINISHING

Wet block the garment, shaping the edges with pins.

Sew 2 buttons to every pair of respective shoulder straps so they hold the straps at the center top and edge.

