JACKET IN HONEYCOMB STITCH

1960s Vintage Knitting Pattern



FINISHED MEASUREMENTS (CHEST):

Size 10: 36"

Size 12: 38"

Size 14: 40"

Size 16: 42"

GAUGE:

26 sts to 4"

Be the queen bee in a smart, deeply textured honeycomb sweater. Directions are written for size 10 with changes in parentheses for 12, 14 and 16. Design requires 12 ounces Sears Renee Sport Yarn in mustard color, size 5 standard knitting needles or size needed for gauge, size 5 plastic crochet hook and six 5%-inch button molds.

Abbreviations:

k (knit) sc (single crochet)
p (purl) lp (loop)
st (stitch) tog (together)
sl (slip) inc (increase)
ch (chain) dec (decrease)
rnd (round)

Honeycomb Pattern: Cast on 26 sts for sample swatch.

Rows 1 and 9—(Right Side): P each st across.

Rows 2 and 10: K each st across. Rows 3, 5, 7: K 3, * with yarn at back, sl 2 sts as if to p, k 4, repeat from * across, ending last repeat k 3 instead of k 4.

Rows 4, 6, 8: P 3, * with yarn in front, sl 2 sts as if to p, p 4, repeat from * across, ending last repeat p 3 instead of p 4.

Rows 11, 13, 15: K 1, * with yarn at back, sl 1, k 4, sl 1, repeat from * to last st, ending k 1.

Rows 12, 14, 16: P 1, * with yarn at front, sl 1, p 4, sl 1, repeat from * across to last st, ending p 1.

Repeat these 16 rows for pattern.

Back—With size 5 needles, cast on 98 (104, 110, 116) sts. Work in stockinette st (k 1 row, p 1 row) for 9 rows to form facing. K next row on wrong side to form turning ridge.

Next Row: K each st across.

Work in pattern until piece measures 14½ inches or desired length above turning ridge, ending on wrong side with row 16 of pattern. Mark for underarm.

Armhole Facing: Cast on 7 sts at end of last row (row 16) for arm-

hole facing.

Next Row: K the cast on sts, work in pattern (row 1) across remaining sts, cast on 7 sts for other armhole facing.

Next Row: P 7, work across in pattern (row 2) to last 7 sts, p 7.

Next Row: K 6, sl 1 as if to p (forms turning ridge for facing), work across in pattern (row 3) to last 7 sts, sl as if to p, k 6.

Continue to work facings in stock-inette st, sl turning st on knit side of facing as before and continue in pattern on center sts until piece measures 7 (7½, 7½, 7¾) inches above armhole marker, ending with a wrong side row.

Shoulder Shaping: Keep in pattern, bind off 11 (14, 13, 12) sts at beginning of each of next 2 rows, then bind off 6 (6, 6, 7) sts at beginning of each of next 6 rows.

Dividing Row: Bind off 6 (6, 7, 8) sts, work in pattern until there are 15 (15, 17, 17) sts on right-hand needle, place these sts on holder for right side, bind off 18 (18, 20, 20) sts for center back, work remaining 21 (21, 24, 24) sts for left side.

Left Side: Bind off first 6 (6, 7, 8) sts, work in pattern to within 2 sts of neck edge, p 2 tog. Repeat dec at neck edge every row twice more, AT SAME TIME, bind off 6 (6, 7, 7) sts at beginning of each of next 2 rows worked from shoulder edge.

Right Side: Take up sts from holder, join yarn at neck edge and from wrong side, p 2 tog, work in pattern to end. Complete to correspond to left side.

Left Front—With size 5 needles, cast on 48 (54, 60, 66) sts. Work facing and turning ridge as for back.

Next Row: Inc 4 sts evenly spaced across row—52 (58, 64, 70) sts.

Next Row: P each st across.

Work in pattern until piece measures same number of rows as on back to underarm, ending on wrong side. Mark for underarm.

Armhole Facing: Cast on 7 sts at end of last row for armhole facing.

Row 1: K across cast on sts, work in pattern to end of row.

Row 2: Continue in pattern to last 7 sts, p 7 sts.

Row 3: K 6 for facing, sl 1 for turning st as on back, work pattern to end.

Repeat last 2 rows until measurement above underarm marker is 5½ (5¾, 6, 6¼) inches, ending on right side.

Neck Shaping: Bind off 12 (12, 13, 13) sts for neck edge, finish row in pattern. With care to keep in pattern, dec 1 st at neck edge every row 4 times, then every second row twice.

Shoulder Shaping: At shoulder edge, bind off 20 (23, 22, 22) sts once, working rest of row in pattern. Then bind off 7 (8, 10, 12) sts at beginning of next 3 rows. Fasten off.

Right Front—Work same as left front reversing side of armhole facing and shoulder and neck shapings.

Finishing: Sew underarm and shoulder seams. Turn facing on lower edge to wrong side at turning ridge and hem. Turn armhole facings to wrong side at turning st and hem.

Crochet Border: Begin at lower edge of right front and on right side of sweater, work a row of sc on front edge to neck, 3 sc in corner, work sc around neck, 3 sc in corner, work same number sc on left front edge as on right front edge.

Row 2 (Wrong Side): Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc, 3 sc in each corner. Fasten off.

Row 3: DO NOT TURN, working from same side as last row, sc in back lp of each sc, omit 3 sc at corners this row. Fasten off.

Repeat this last row three times or desired width.

Pocket Band: Ch 27, turn, in second ch and in each ch. Fasten off. Do not turn.

Next Row: Sc in back lp of each sc. Fasten off. Do not turn.

Repeat last row 3 times, beginning each row at same edge and do not turn. Weave loose ends in.

Make a second piece. Place on sweater in a slightly curved manner for pocket effect as shown. Sew to sweater.

Buttons: Ch 2, 6 sc in first ch, do not join, continue to work around making 2 sc in back lp only of sc in previous rnd.

Next Rnd: Sc on back lp only of sc on previous rnd.

Repeat last rnd until piece is large enough to cover a \(\frac{5}{8} - \text{inch} \) button mold. Fasten off, leaving a 10-inch length. Thread end into tapestry needle and draw through top of each sc. Insert button mold and gather yarn tightly and fasten securely, leaving a length to sew on button. Make 6 buttons and sew on sweater. Sew snap fasteners inside sweater directly underneath buttons. Sew corresponding snap to left front.

Block sweater by steaming lightly using a pressing cloth and moderately hot iron.