BERRY VEST

1980s Vintage Knitting Pattern

Combine Berry Stitch and Cables for this Vest

INTERMEDIATE

The unique combination of stitches makes this vest an important addition to your fall and winter wardrobe. Directions are given for small (6-8) with medium (10-12) and large (14-16) in parentheses. You will need 5 (5, 6) 100 gram skeins of Tahki's Soho Bulky yarn, one pair each numbers 9 and 10½ knitting needles, a 16 inch number 9 circular needle, 2 stitch holders and cable hook. Soho Bulky yarn is mothproofed 100% pure new wool with approximately 110 yards in each skein.

Measurement across front and back: 36 (40, 44) inches

Gauge: 4 sts equal 1 inch on number 10½ needles in berry pattern.
TO SAVE TIME, TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE.

PATTERN 1 – Berry st (Multiple of 4):

Row 1: (Wrong Side) *(K 1, yo, k 1) in same st, p 3 tog, repeat from * across.

Row 2: *K 1, p 3, repeat from * across.

Row 3: *K 3, p 1, repeat from * across.

Row 4: *P 1, k 3, repeat from * across.

Row 5: *P 3 tog, (k 1, yo, k 1) in same st, repeat from * across.

Row 6: *P 3, k 1, repeat from * across.

Row 7: *P 1, k 3, repeat from * across.

Row 8: *K 3, p 1, repeat from * across.

Repeat Rows 1 through 8 for pattern.

PATTERN 2 – Cable: (12 sts equal 2½ inches)

Rows 1, 3, 5 and 7: (Wrong Side) K 2, p 8, k 2.

Rows 2, 4 and 8: P 2, k 8, p 2.

Row 6: P 2, sl 3 sts to cable hook and hold in back, k 5, k 3 from cable hook, p 2.

Repeat Rows 1 through 8 for pattern.

Note: The armhole opening of the garment has no edging. Therefore, the first and last stitch of every row should be worked as tightly as possible.

BACK: With smaller needles cast on 75 (83, 91) sts. Work in ribbing (k 1, p 1) for 1 inch, inc one st at end of last row – 76 (84, 92) sts. Change to larger needles. Work next wrong side row with Row 1 of both patterns as follows:

Work 12 (12, 16) sts in Pattern 1, place marker; work 12 sts in Pattern 2, place marker; work 28 (36, 36) sts in Pattern 1, place marker; work 12 sts in Pattern 2, place marker; work 12 (12, 16) sts in

Pattern 1. Keeping to patterns, work even for 23 inches from beginning.

Next Row: Bind off 23 (26, 29) sts; work center 30 (32, 34) sts and place on holder; bind off remaining sts.

FRONT: Work as for back for 21 inches from beginning.

Shape Neck: Work 32 (35, 38) sts. Join another ball of yarn and work center 12 (14, 16) sts and place on holder, work remaining sts. Working both sides at the same time, at each neck edge bind off 3 sts 3 times. When front measures same as back to shoulder, bind off 23 (26, 29) sts each side.

Finishing: Sew front to back at shoulders. Mark front and back at side edges 11 inches down from shoulder seams for armhole opening. Sew front to back at side edges from lower edge up to markers.

Neckband: With circular needle and right side facing, pick up and k 70 (74, 78) sts around neck edge, including sts from front and back holders. Work in rounds of ribbing (k 1, p 1) for 1 inch. Bind off in ribbing.

ABBREVIATIONS

k	knit
p	purl
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip
sl	slip
rnd	round
lp	loop
tog	together
yo	yarn over
psso	pass slip stitch over
inc	increase(s)(d)(ing)
dec	decrease(s)(d)(ing)
tbl	through back loop
MC	Main Color
CC	Contrasting Color