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YARN	COLOR	2 yrs	4 yrs	6 yrs	8 yrs	10 yrs
P. RUSTIQUE	RAISIN	2	3	3	4	4

STITCHES:
K1/P1 rib
Stockinette stitch
Pattern stitch

Nr 26 TOP FANTINE

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Intermediate level



Back-and-forth knitting

TENSION SQUARE

20 sts and 26 rows to 10 cm, measured over stockinette stitch using 4 mm needles

26 sts to 11 cm and 26 rows to 10 cm for the center panel, using 4 mm needles

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Composition: 65% cotton, 25% viscose, 10% flax

MATERIALS:

1 pair each of 3.5 mm and 4 mm knitting needles (or other, depending on your tension square)

1 cable needle

1 yarn needle

STITCHES:

K1/P1 rib

Stockinette stitch

Pattern stitch (see chart)

INSTRUCTIONS

Follow the instructions in the color that corresponds to the size you are knitting.

BACK

Step 1: Using 3.5 mm needles, cast on **55 - 61 - 67 - 71 - 77** sts and work in K1/P1 rib for 5 cm, beginning and ending the 1st row and all uneven rows with K2.

Step 2: Change to 4 mm needles and stockinette st; increase 1 st at the beginning of the 1st row.

Total sts: **56 - 62 - 68 - 72 - 78** sts

Step 3: When your work measures **18 - 20 - 22 - 24 - 27** cm from the beginning, shape the armholes. On each edge, bind off:

3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st 3 times

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Total sts: **40 - 46 - 50 - 54 - 58** sts

Step 4: When your work measures **30 - 34 - 38 - 41 - 45** cm from the beginning, shape the shoulders. On each edge, bind off:

2 sts twice and 3 sts once

3 sts 3 times

3 sts twice and 4 sts once

3 sts once and 4 sts twice

4 sts twice and 5 sts once

At the same time, shape the neck. Bind off the center **10 - 12 - 14 - 16 - 16** sts, then finish 1 side at a time. On the neck edge, bind off 8 sts once.

Finish the other side of the neck.

FRONT

Step 1: Using 3.5 mm needles, cast on **55 - 61 - 67 - 71 - 77** sts and work in K1/P1 rib for 5 cm, beginning and ending the 1st row and all uneven rows with K2.

Step 2: Change to 4 mm needles; work in stockinette st and pattern st (see chart), evenly increasing 5 sts in the 1st row (see the chart to place the increases). Then work as follows: **17 - 20 - 23 - 25 - 28** sts in stockinette st, the 26 sts in the chart and **17 - 20 - 23 - 25 - 28** sts in stockinette st.

Total sts: **60 - 66 - 72 - 76 - 82** sts

Step 3: When your work measures **18 - 20 - 22 - 24 - 27** cm from the beginning, shape the armholes. On each edge, bind off:

3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st 3 times

3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st 3 times

3 sts once, 2 sts twice and 1 st twice

3 sts once, 2 sts twice and 1 st twice

3 sts twice, 2 sts once and 1 st twice

Total sts: **44 - 50 - 54 - 58 - 62** sts

Step 4: When your work measures **27 - 31 - 34 - 37 - 41** cm from the beginning, shape the neck. Bind off the center **10 - 12 - 14 - 14 - 14** sts, then finish 1 side at a time. On the neck edge, bind off:

4 sts once, 3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st once

4 sts once, 3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st once

3 sts twice, 2 sts once and 1 st twice

4 sts once, 3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st twice

4 sts once, 3 sts once, 2 sts once and 1 st twice

Step 5: When your work measures **30 - 34 - 38 - 41 - 45** cm from the beginning, shape the shoulder. On the armhole edge, bind off:

2 sts twice and 3 sts once

3 sts 3 times

3 sts twice and 4 sts once

3 sts once and 4 sts twice

4 sts twice and 5 sts once

Finish the other side of the neck.

ARMHOLE BANDS

Step 1: Using 3.5 mm needles, cast on **56 - 66 - 76 - 80 - 84** sts and work as follows:

1st row: K1, **K2tog, 1 yo**, repeat the sequence in **bold** and end with K1

2nd row: knit all the sts

Then knit 1 row (RS) and work several rows of stockinette st in a different color.

Step 2: Work a second band in the same way.

NECKBAND

Step 1: Using 3.5 mm needles, cast on **70 - 76 - 82 - 88 - 88** sts and work in K1/P1 rib for 2.5 cm, then knit 1 row (RS) and work rows of stockinette st in a different color.

MAKE UP

Step 1: Sew the seams for the shoulders and sides, leaving the bottom rib free.

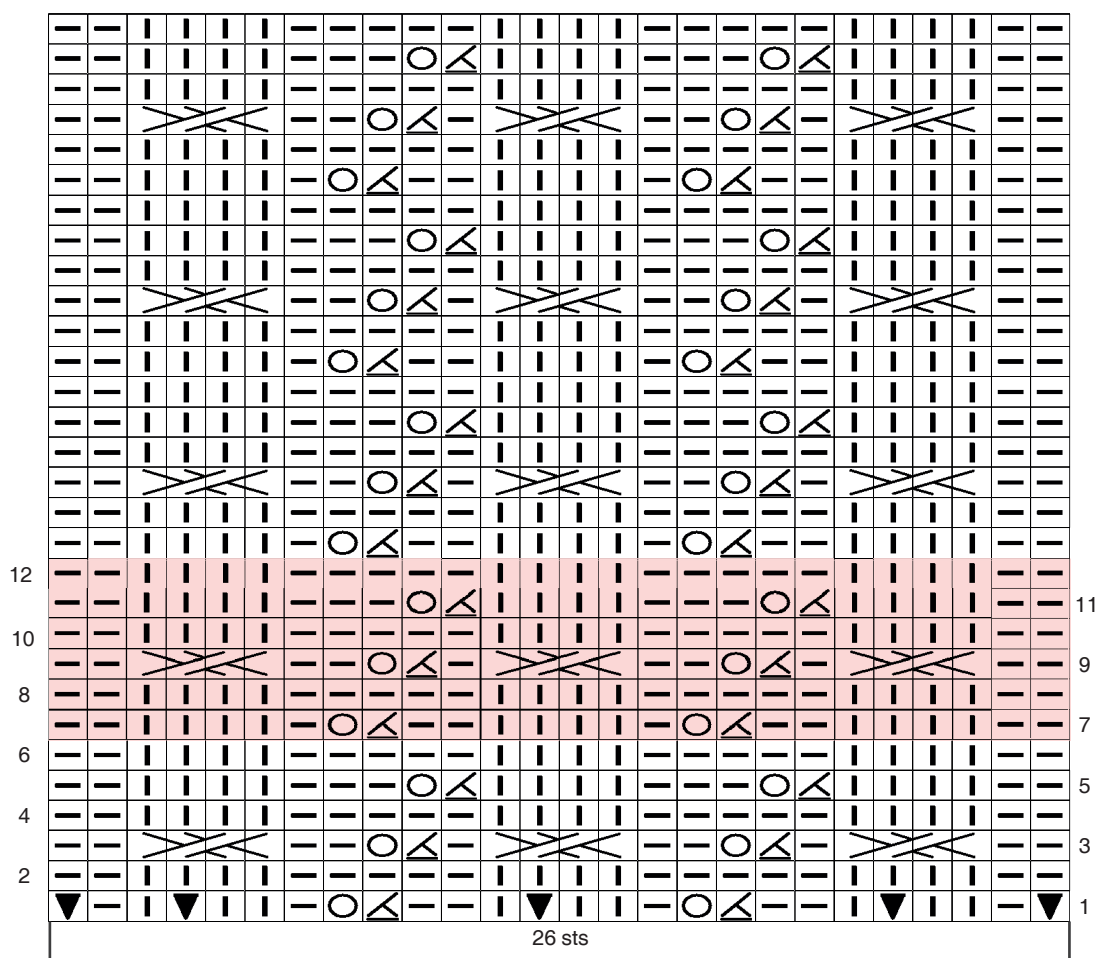
Step 2: Sew the armhole bands, matching sts and using backstitch on the right side of your work.

Step 3: Sew the neckband, matching sts and using backstitch on the right side of your work.



Measurements indicated in the diagrams are in cm

Chart for Pattern stitch



Work from the 1st to the 12th row, then repeat from the 7th to the 12th row (rows in the colored frame)

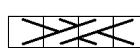
 = K1 (RS) or P1 (WS).

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 = P2tog (RS)

 = yo

 = M1 (make 1 st)

 = 4 sts crossed to the right (RS): sl2 onto a cable needle placed behind your work, K2tog, then K2 on the cable needle