

V-NECK SWEATER

Size 36/38 (40/42 – 44/46)

Finished Bust 36¼ (39¼, 42½)''

Length 28 (28¼, 28¾)''

Instructions are given for first size. Figures in parenthesis refer to larger sizes. When only one figure is given, it applies to all sizes.

Materials: Approx. 9 (10, 11) balls (approx. 71yd/65m each) of Lana Grossa **Paradiso** (100% cotton) in stone grey (col 10); size 11 [8mm] needles, size K/10½ [6.5mm] crochet hook.

Stockinette stitch: k on RS; p on WS.

Full-fashioned decreases: At beginning of row, SKP [sl1 kwise, k1, pss0], 2 sts in from right edge; at end of row, k2tog, 2 sts in from left edge – 1 st decreased at each edge.

Gauge: 14 sts and 19 rows = 4'' [10 cm] in St st.

Back: Cast on 66 (72, 78) sts. Work in St st and shape sides as following: working full-fashion decreases, decrease 1 st each end of needle when back measures 4¾'' [12cm] from cast-on, then every following 18th row twice more – 60 (66, 72) sts. Continue in St st as established until back measures 7¾'' [20 cm] from first decrease. Place waist markers at right and left edge. Continue in St st and increase 1 st each end of needle on 15th row from waist markers, then every following 6th row twice more – 66 (72, 78) sts. Continue in St st as established until back measures 4¼'' [11cm] from first increase. Shape armholes: bind off 4 sts at beginning of next 2 rows, 2 sts at beginning of following 2 rows and 1 st at beginning of following 4 rows – 50 (56, 62) sts. Continue in St st as established until armhole measures 6¼ (6¾, 7)'' [16 (17, 18) cm]. Divide for center slit: Work to center, join another ball of yarn, work to end. Working both sides at same time, work even until armhole measures 7 (7½, 7¾)'' [18 (19, 20) cm]. Shape shoulders: Bind off 9 (10, 11) sts at each shoulder edge once and 8 (9, 10) sts twice. No sts remain.

Front: Work same as for back until front measures 16¼ (16½, 17)'' [41 (42, 43) cm] from cast-on. Divide for center slit: Work to center, join another ball of yarn, work to end. Working both sides at same time, work even until same length as back to shoulders. Shape shoulders same as for back.



Sleeves: Cast on 32 (36, 38) sts. Work in St st and shape sleeve as following: increase 1 st each end of needle on 15th row from cast-on, then every following 14th row twice, then every following 12th row 3 times – 44 (48, 50) sts. Continue in St st as established until sleeve measures 18½'' [47cm] from cast-on. Shape sleeve cap: bind off 2 sts at beginning of next 2 rows, 1 st at beginning of following 22 rows and 2 sts at beginning of following 2 rows. Bind off remaining 14 (18, 20) sts.

Finishing: Pin pieces to measurements and block with damp towels. Sew all seams. With crochet hook, work 1 row sl st along front and back center slit edges. Sew in sleeves.

