

Berroco Linus™

**Skill level: Intermediate****Shown in size Small****SIZES**

Directions are for women's size X-Small. Changes for sizes Small, Medium, Large, 1X and 2X are in parentheses.

To Fit Bust Size: 30(34-38-42-46-50)''**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

Bust – 32(36-40-44-48-52)''

Length – 25(26-27-28-29-30)'' (at longest edge)

Note: This garment was designed with approximately 2'' of ease. Please take this into consideration when selecting your size.

MATERIALS

4(4-5-5-6-6) Hanks **BERROCO LINUS** (50 grs), #6834 Blackbird

29'' Length circular knitting needle, size 8 (5.00 mm)

OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE

Straight knitting needles, size 8 (5.00 mm)

2 St markers (2 different colors)

1 St holder

GAUGE

19 sts = 4''; 26 rnds = 4'' in St st

TO SAVE TIME, TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE

NOTE

This garment is worked in the round to the armholes, then divided for back and front and worked straight. The lower edge is shaped using short rows. To work these rows, you will work part way across a row, then turn and work back, leaving some sts unworked.

BODY

With circular needle, cast on 212(230-250-270-288-308) sts. Join, being careful not to twist sts. Mark for beg of rnd and carry marker up.

Rnd 1: K106(115-125-135-144-154), place marker, k to end. Purl 1 rnd.

Short Rows: Row 1 (RS): K to first marker, sl marker, k9, turn.

Row 2 (WS): P9, sl marker, p9, turn.

Row 3 (RS): K9, sl marker, k18, turn.

Row 4 (WS): P18, sl marker, p18, turn.

Continue in this manner to work 9 more sts each row until a total of 24 short rows have

been completed, end on WS. On next rnd, k all the way to beg-of-rnd marker – 212(230-250-270-288-308) sts. Mark end of last rnd. Work even in St st (k EVERY rnd) until piece measures 1'' above marker.

Dec Rnd 1: * K1, k2 tog, k23(25-29-30-33-35), k2 tog, k24(26-28-31-33-36), k2 tog, k23(26-28-31-33-35), k2 tog, k24(26-28-31-33-36), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more – 202(220-240-260-278-298) sts. Work 12 rnds even.

Dec Rnd 2: * K1, k2 tog, k22(24-28-29-32-34), k2 tog, k23(25-27-30-32-35), k2 tog, k22(25-27-30-32-34), k2 tog, k22(24-26-29-31-34), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more – 192(210-230-250-268-288) sts. Work 12 rnds even.

Dec Rnd 3: * K1, k2 tog, k21(23-27-28-31-33), k2 tog, k22(24-26-29-31-34), k2 tog, k21(24-26-29-31-33), k2 tog, k20(22-24-27-29-32), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more – 182(200-220-240-258-278) sts. Work 12 rnds even.

Dec Rnd 4: * K1, k2 tog, k20(22-26-27-30-32),

k2 tog, k21(23-25-28-30-33), k2 tog, k20(23-25-28-30-32), k2 tog, k18(20-22-25-27-30), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more – 172(190-210-230-248-268) sts. Work 12 rnds even.

Dec Rnd 5: * K1, k2 tog, k19(21-25-26-29-31), k2 tog, k20(22-24-27-29-32), k2 tog, k19(22-24-27-29-31), k2 tog, k16(18-20-23-25-28), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more – 162(180-200-220-238-258) sts. Work 12 rnds even.

Dec Rnd 6: * K1, k2 tog, k18(20-24-25-28-30), k2 tog, k19(21-23-26-28-31), k2 tog, k18(21-23-26-28-30), k2 tog, k14(16-18-21-23-26), k2 tog, k1, rep from * once more - 152(170-190-210-228-248) sts. Work even until piece measures 14(14-14½-14½-15-15)'' above marker.

Divide for Back and Front: Using straight needles, bind off 4(5-7-8-8-9) sts, k to next marker, sl remaining 76(85-95-105-114-124) sts to holder for front. Turn, bind off 4(5-7-8-8-9) sts, then p to end – 68(75-81-89-98-106) sts.

Back: Dec Row (RS): K3, k2 tog, k to last 5 sts, SSK, k3 – 66(73-79-87-96-104) sts. Rep this dec every RS row 3(6-7-11-14-18) times more - 60(61-65-65-68-68) sts. Work even until armholes measure 7(7-7½-8-8½-9)''; end on WS.

Shape Shoulders and Neck: Next Row (RS): Bind off 4 sts, k until there are 11(11-13-13-15-15) sts on RH needle, join another hank of yarn and bind off center 30(31-31-31-30-30) sts, k to end. Working both sides at once, bind off 4 sts at beg of the next row, then 3(3-4-4-5-5) sts at beg of the next 4 rows for shoulders. While you are binding off for shoulders, bind off 3 sts at each neck edge once, then 2 sts once.

Front: With RS facing, sl 76(85-95-105-114-124) sts from holder to straight needle. Join yarn and bind off 4(5-7-8-8-9) sts at beg of the next 2 rows – 68(75-81-89-98-106) sts.

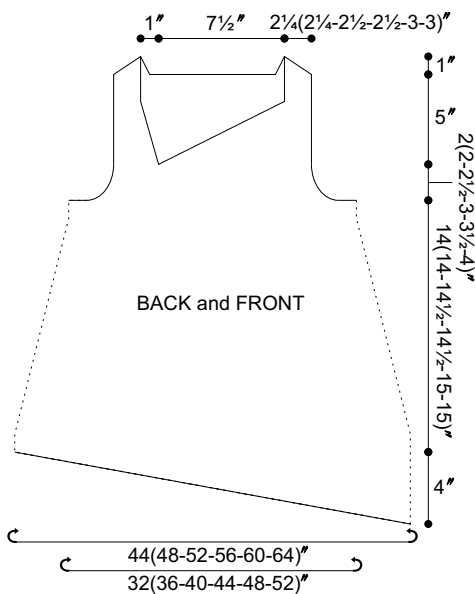
Dec Row (RS): K3, k2 tog, k to last 5 sts, SSK, k3 - 66(73-79-87-96-104) sts. Rep this dec every RS row 3(6-7-11-14-18) times more. When armholes measure 2(2-2½-3-3½-4)''; (before all decs have been completed), end on WS. Mark center 40(41-41-41-40-40) sts.

Shape Neck: Next Row (RS): Continuing to work armhole decs as before, work to 14 sts before last neck marker, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3,

join another hank of yarn and k3, SSK, then work to end – 37(38-38-38-37-37) sts between markers. As you complete armhole decs, dec 2 sts at left neck edge (sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3) every RS row 17 times more while you dec 1 st at right neck edge (k3, SSK) every 4th row 3(4-4-4-3-3) times more. When all armhole and neck decs have been completed, work even on 10(10-12-12-14-14) sts each side until armholes measure 7(7-7½-8-8½-9)''; end on WS. Bind off 4 sts at each armhole edge once, then 3(3-4-4-5-5) sts twice for shoulders.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.



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