

Earl

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Difficulty Level



Materials

YARN

To fit age

		5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	years
Rowan Calmer						
A Drift	460	3	3	4	4	x 50gm
B Slosh	479	1	1	1	1	x 50gm
C Garnet	492	1	1	1	1	x 50gm

NEEDLES

1 pair 4mm (no 8) (US 6) needles
 1 pair 5mm (no 6) (US 8) needles
 4mm (no 8) (US 6) circular needle
 Cable needle

TENSION

21 sts and 30 rows to 10 cm measured over st st using 5mm (US 8) needles.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

C4B = slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and leave at back of work, K2, then K2 from cable needle.

Instructions

BACK

Using 4mm (US 6) needles and yarn A cast on 78 [82: 86: 90] sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, *P2, K2, rep from * to end.

Row 2: P2, *K2, P2, rep from * to end.

These 2 rows form rib.

Work in rib for a further 15 rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Row 18 (WS): Rib 5 [7: 9: 11], M1, (rib 8, M1, rib 4, M1) 5 times, rib 8, M1, rib to end. 90 [94: 98: 102] sts.

Change to 5mm (US 8) needles.

Beg and ending rows as indicated, working chart rows 1 to 6 **once only** and then repeating chart rows 7 to 18 **throughout**, now work in patt from chart as folls:

Cont straight until back meas 24 [25: 26: 27] cm, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape armholes

Keeping patt correct, cast off 6 [6: 5: 5] sts at beg of next 2 rows. 78 [82: 88: 92] sts.

Dec 1 st at each end of next 7 [7: 7: 5] rows, then on foll 6 [5: 4: 4] alt rows. 52 [58: 66: 74] sts.

Cont straight until armhole meas 17 [18: 19: 20] cm, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape back neck and shoulders



R O W A N

Next row (RS): Patt 5 [7: 10: 14] sts and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder.

Work each side of neck separately.

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next row.

Cast off rem 2 [4: 7: 11] sts.

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, cast off centre 42 [44: 46: 46] sts, patt to end.

Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

FRONT

Work as given for back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape armholes and divide for neck

Next row (RS): Cast off 6 [6: 5: 5] sts, patt until there are 38 [40: 43: 45] sts on right needle and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder.

Work each side of neck separately.

Work 1 row.

Keeping patt correct, dec 1 st at armhole edge of next 7 [7: 7: 5] rows, then on foll 6 [5: 4: 4] alt rows **and at same time** dec 1 st at neck edge of next and foll 9 [8: 7: 6] alt rows. 15 [19: 24: 29] sts.

Dec 1 st at neck edge **only** on 2nd and foll 12 [14: 16: 15] alt rows, then on 0 [0: 0: 2] foll 4th rows. 2 [4: 7: 11] sts.

Cont straight until front matches back to shoulder cast-off, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape shoulder

Cast off rem 2 [4: 7: 11] sts.

With RS facing, slip centre 2 sts onto a holder, rejoin yarn to rem sts, patt to end.

Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

MAKING UP

Press.

Join both shoulder seams using back stitch, or mattress stitch if preferred.

Neckband

With RS facing, using 4mm (US 6) circular needle and yarn A, pick up and knit 52 [56: 60: 64] sts down left front slope, K 2 sts from holder at base of V and place marker between these 2 sts, pick up and knit 52 [56: 60: 64] sts up right front slope, then 42 [46: 46: 50] sts from back. 148 [160: 168: 180] sts.

Round 1 (RS): *K2, P2, rep from * to within 5 sts of marker, K2, P1, K2tog, slip marker onto right needle, sl 1, K1, pssso, P1, **K2, P2, rep from ** to end.

This round sets position of rib.

Round 2: Rib to within 2 sts of marker, K2tog, slip marker onto right needle, sl 1, K1, pssso, rib to end.

Round 3: As round 2.

Join in yarn B.

Rounds 4 and 5: As round 3 but using yarn B.

Join in yarn C.

Rounds 6 and 7: As round 3 but using yarn C.

Break off yarn C.

Rounds 8 and 9: As round 3 but using yarn B.

Break off yarn B.

Rounds 10 to 12: As round 2. 124 [136: 144: 156] sts.

Cast off in rib, still decreasing either side of marker as before.

Armhole borders (both alike)

With RS facing, using 4mm (US 6) needles and yarn A, pick up and knit 86 [90: 94: 98] sts evenly all round armhole edge.

Beg with row 2, work in rib as given for back for 7 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Cast off in rib.

