





**Size:** UK 10 (14) - US 6 (10) - EU 36 (40)

**Note:** figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where only one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

Skill Level: intermediate

How much yarn: Maxi Soft yarn (1100% Extrafine Merino Wool) 3 (4) balls (each ball 50g and 90m) for each of the following 3 colours: dark rose shade no. 14393, turquoise shade no. 14451 and purple no. 10180; 2 (3) balls in cream no. 978; 1 (2) balls in fuchsia no. 5240 and 1 ball in brown no. 13737

**Needles:** A pair of 5.00 mm knitting needles **Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

## **STITCHES**

**Using needles:** K1, P1 rib. STOCKING STITCH (ST ST): 1 row K, 1 row P.

## **TENSION**

17 sts and 24 rows measure 10cm square over st st with 5.00 mm needles. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Back:** with dark rose yarn cast on 81 (89) sts and, for lower border, work 11 rows K1, P1 rib, corresponding to 5cm, and cont in stocking st with "garter st effect" stripes, alternating colours as follows: 3 rows in turquoise, 18 (20) rows in purple, ALWAYS working first row K on WS of work (in order to create a "garter st effect" stripe, always change colour on WS), 14 (16) rows in dark rose, 3 rows with 2 colours (= work in dark rose until to central st and continue in fuchsia), 9 (11) rows in fuchsia, 8 (10) rows in purple, 28 (30) rows in cream, 12 rows in brown, 17 rows with 2 colours (= work in turquoise until to central st, cont to work in purple). When Back measures 57 (61)cm from beg, corresponding to 126 (136) rows from border, cast off.

Front: work as Back, until Front measures 49 (52) cm from beg, corresponding to 106 (114) rows from border. Now shape neck. Cast off centre 21 (25) and cont to work separately on either part, casting off 3 sts at neck edge once and , always at neck

edge, dec 1 st on next and every alternate row 3 times. When neck shaping measures 8(9)cm from beg (= center cast off sts) and 20(22) rows have been worked, cast off rem 24 (26) sts on each shoulder.

**Sleeves:** for each sleeve, with dark rose yarn cast on 41 (47) sts and, for border, work 15 rows K1, P1 rib, corresponding to 7cm, and cont to work in stocking st, with "garter st effect" stripes as given for Back and changing colours as follows: 24 (26) rows in turquoise, 16 (18) rows in purple, 18 (20) rows in turquoise, 18 (20) rows in dark rose and 24 (26) rows in purple. AT THE SAME TIME inc 1 st at each end, inside first and last 2 sts, on 1st and every following 10th row 10 (11) times: there are 61 (69) sts. When Sleeve measures 49 (53) cm from beg, corresponding to 100 (110) rows from border, cast off all sts.

## **FINISHING**

Sew a shoulder seam. **Neck Border:** with dark rose yarn pick up approx 84 (94) sts around Back-and-Front neck edge and work 7 rows Kl, Pl rib, then cast off knitways. Sew other shoulder and neck border seam. Set in sleeves. Sew sleeve and side seams.

**Note:** wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.

