

Project made by **Merceria Sudest** di Stepanchuk Halyna "Creare con sud est"



Size: UK 10 (10/12) – US 6 (6/8) – EU 36 (36/38)

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: 6 (7) balls (each ball 50g and 125m) **Aria** yarn (50% Baby Alpaca, 50% Extrafine Merino Wool) shade no. 31146

Needles: A pair of 4.50mm knitting needles
A 7.00mm knitting needles

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Using needles: stocking stitch (st st)

I-CORD CASTING ON TECHNIQUE: cast on 3 sts, * inc 1 st into 1st st (= K1, K1 t.b.l. into same st), K2, move last 3 sts worked from right needle to left needle without working them; rep from * until you get the required number of stitches.

I-CORD CASTING OFF WITH DEC TECHNIQUE: cast on 2 sts. Turn work (RS of work), * K2, K2tog t.b.l., move from right needle to left needle last 3 sts obtained without working them, K2, K3tog t.b.l., move from right needle to left needle last 3 sts obtained without working them; rep from * until 3 sts remain on needle, then slip, slip and pass both slipped sts over last st.

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TENSION

13 sts and 18 rows measure 10cm square over stocking stitch with 7.00 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 4.50mm needles cast on 80 (84) sts using I-cord technique. Change needles and work with 7.00mm needles 108 rows in stocking st, corresponding to 60cm. Shape dropped shoulders: cast off 7 sts at end of next 6 rows, then 6 (8) sts at end of following 2 rows. AT THE SAME TIME, shape neck on

111th row (when Back measures 61cm) by casting off centre 16 sts. Join another ball of yarn and continue separately for either side to end.

Front: cast on 80 (84) sts as Back with 4.50mm needles. Change needles and work with 7.00mm needles 76 rows in stocking st, corresponding to 42cm. Shape V-neck: divide work in half, join another ball of yarn and continue separately on either side, dec 1 st on neck edge, inside 1 selvedge st, on next row and (alternate row once then 4th row once) 6 times: 13 sts have been decreased for neck shaping on either side. AT THE SAME TIME, when 108 rows have been worked, corresponding to 60cm, shape each dropped shoulder by casting off 7 sts on next and every following alternate row 3 times, then cast off rem 6 (8) sts.

Sleeves: for each sleeve, with 7.00mm needles and a contrasting colour yarn cast on 50 (54) sts. Then with Aria (main yarn) work 76 rows in stocking st, corresponding to 42cm. Shape sleeve top. Cast off 7 sts at each end of next 6 rows, then cast off rem 8 (12) sts. Unravel contrasting colour yarn, then with 4.50mm needles slip sts onto a needle and cast off using I-cord with dec technique.

FINISHING

Sew a shoulder seam. On wrong side of work, with 4.50mm needles pick up sts across Back and Front neckline and cast off sts using I-cord technique. Sew other shoulder seam. Set in sleeves, then sew side and sleeve seams.

