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A sassy tie-front V-neck vest is worked with a double strand on the lower half and a single strand for the bodice and garter-stitch borders.

NOTES

- 1) Body of vest is worked back and forth in one piece using circular needle to the underarm.
- 2) A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Do not join.

BODY

With smaller 29"/75cm needle and one strand of yarn, cast on 108 (115, 124, 132, 136) sts. Work in garter st for 1"/2.5cm.

Dec row (WS) [K1, k2tog] 36 (38, 41, 44, 45) times, k0 (1, 1, 0, 1)–72 (77, 83, 88, 91) sts. Change to larger needle and add a 2nd strand of yarn and working both strands tog, work in St st until piece measures 7 (8, 8½, 8½, 8½)"/17.5 (20.5, 21.5, 21.5, 21.5)cm from beg, end with a WS row.

Divide for fronts and back

Next row (RS) K14 (14, 16, 18, 18) and place sts on a holder for right front, bind off next 5 (6, 6, 6, 6) sts, work to last 14 (14, 16, 18, 18) sts, place rem 14 (14, 16, 18, 18) sts on a holder for left front.

Cont on rem 39 (43, 45, 46, 49) sts for back as foll:

Next row (WS) Bind off 5 (6, 6, 6, 6) sts, work to end—34 (37, 39, 40, 43) sts.

Cut one strand, change to smaller needle and cont with single strand only until armhole measures 6½ (7, 7½, 8, 8½)"/16.5 (17.5, 19, 20.5, 21.5)cm. Bind off all sts.

RIGHT FRONT

Slip sts from first holder to needle to work next row from WS.

P 1 row with 2 strands. Cut one strand, change to smaller needle and cont with single strand only and work as foll:

Shape neck

Dec row (RS) K1, SKP, k to end.

Rep dec row every 4th row 7 (6, 8, 9, 9) times more.

Work even on rem 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) sts until same length as back. Bind off rem sts for shoulder.

LEFT FRONT

Slip sts from first holder to needle to work next row from RS. Join 2 strands and work 2 rows even.

Cut one strand, change to smaller needle and cont with single strand only and work as foll:

Shape neck

Dec row (RS) K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Rep dec row every 4th row 7 (6, 8, 9, 9) times more. Work even on rem 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) sts until same length as back.

Bind off rem sts for shoulder.

FINISHING

Block pieces lightly to measurements. Sew shoulder seams.

Armhole bands

With smaller 16"/40cm needle and one strand of yarn, pick up and k 70 (74, 80, 86, 90) sts evenly around each armhole edge. Join and work in rnds of garter st (p 1 rnd, k 1 rnd) for 1"/2.5cm. Bind off.

Outside border

With smaller 29"/75cm needle and one strand of yarn, pick up and k 68 (76, 80, 83, 85) sts along right front edge, 22 (24, 26, 24, 28) sts along back neck and 68 (76, 80, 83, 85) sts along left front edge—158 (176, 186, 190, 198) sts.

Work in garter st (k every row) for 1"/2.5cm.

Bind off.

Ties (make 2)

With 2 strands held tog and crochet hook, chain approx 10"/25.5cm. Fasten off.

Attach a chain to each front on garter st border where the neck shaping begins.

Tassels (make 2)

Wrap yarn around a piece of cardboard approx 3"/7.5cm wide. Thread a strand of yarn through all the wraps at the top of the cardboard and tie it at the top, leaving a long end to wrap around the tassel. Cut the lower edge to free the wrapped strands. Wrap the long end tightly around the top approx ½"/1.5cm from the edge and secure it. Trim the strands. Attach a tassel to the end of each tie. *

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MATERIALS

Zara Plus by Filatura di Crosa/Tahki•Stacy Charles, Inc., 1¾oz/50g balls, each approx 77yd/70m (superwash wool)

- 5 (6, 7, 8, 9) balls in #418 purple
- Sizes 9 and 13 (5.5 and 9mm) circular needles, 29"/75cm long OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Size 9 (5.5mm) circular needle, 16"/40cm long
- Size F-5 (3.75mm) crochet hook for ties
- Stitch holders

SIZES

Sized for Girl's 8 (10, 12, 14, 16).

Shown in size 12.

MEASUREMENTS

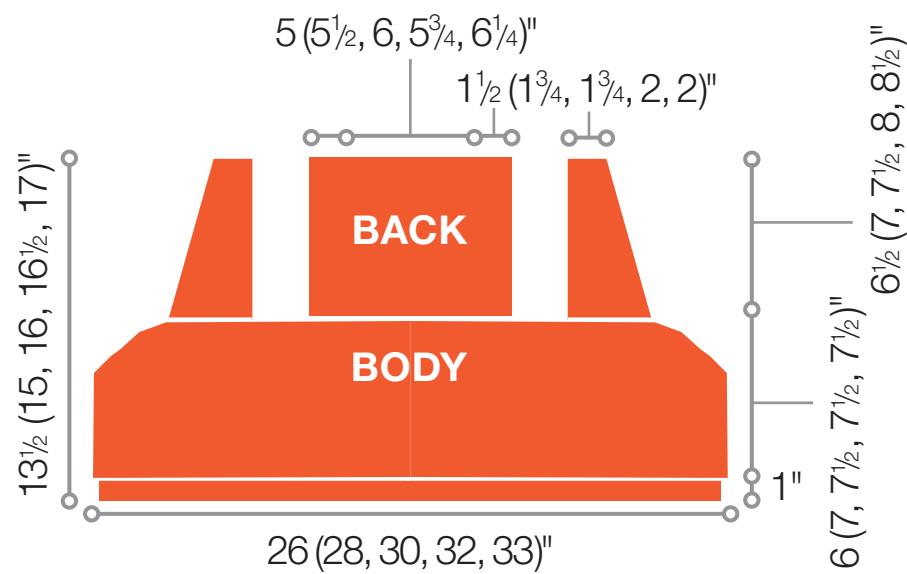
- **Chest** (closed) 28 (30, 32, 34, 35)"/71 (76, 81, 86, 89)cm
- **Length** 13½ (15, 16, 16½, 17)"/34 (38, 40.5, 42, 43)cm

GAUGES

- 17 sts and 22 rows to 4"/10cm over St st using one strand of yarn and smaller needle.
- 11 sts and 15 rows to 4"/10cm over St st using two strands of yarn held tog and larger needle.

TAKE TIME TO CHECK YOUR GAUGES.

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