



Quick 'n' easy cardigan-blouse—knitted
with jiffy yarn and big wooden needles.

beginner's luck

Sizes 11, 13, 15 and 17.

Directions are written for Size 11. Changes for Sizes 13, 15 and 17 are in parentheses.

Materials: 9 (9-10-10) 2-oz. skeins Bernat Woolydown or Bernat Super Knitting Worsted; Hero Knitting Needles Nos. 9 and 11; 2 Stitch Holders; Hero Plastic Crochet Hook No. 8; 1 open zipper, shoulder pads.

Gauge: 3 sts = 1"; 5 rows = 1".

Approximate Cost: \$8.55 (8.55-9.50-9.50) or \$5.40 (5.40-6.00-6.00)

Back and Front: (Worked all in one.) With No. 9 needles, cast on 99 (107-115-123) sts. Work in k 1, p 1 ribbing for 4 (4-4-4)"; on last row of ribbing inc (by knitting in front then back of same st) in every 9 (10-11-12)th st across row; 109 (117-125-133) sts. Change to No. 11 needles. **Next row:** K 1, p 1, k 1, p 1; k across row to within 4 sts of end of row,

p 1, k 1, p 1, k 1. **Row 2:** P 1, k 1 over first 4 sts; p across row ending k 1, p 1 over last 4 sts. Repeat these 2 rows (stockinette st) keeping first and last 4 sts in k 1, p 1 ribbing all way up front. Work even until 11 (11½, 12 12½)" from beg, ending with a k row.

Separate Fronts from Back for Armholes: Front—p over 28 (30-32-34) sts, now with point of stitch holder take these sts off one by one as if to purl, fasten pin. With needle p across next 53 (57-61-65) sts for Back; place remaining 28 (30-32-34) sts on second st holder for 2nd Front.

Armholes for Back: Bind off 3 (3-3-3) sts at beg of k row, k across row. **Next row:** Bind off 3 sts at beg of p row, p across row. (This is usually referred to as: Bind off 3 sts at beg of the next 2 rows). Now dec one st at beg and end of every k row only, 4 (4-4-4) times; 39 (43-47-51) sts

remain on needle. Work even until armhole measures 7 (7½-7¾-8)" straight up from first bound-off sts. **Shape Shoulders:** Bind off 4 (4-4-4) sts at beg of the next 4 rows, then 4 (5-6-7) sts at beg of next 2 rows; 12 (13-14-15) sts for each shoulder. Bind off remaining 15 (17-19-21) sts loosely for back of neck.

Front: Take sts of Left Front onto No. 11 knitting needle. Attach yarn at armhole edge, bind off 3 (3-3-3) sts and k across row continuing with the 4 border sts at front edge. Work back to armhole edge. **Next k row:** Dec one st at beg of k row and repeat decs every k row 3 (4-4-4) more times; 21 (22-24-26) sts remain. Work even until armhole measures 6 (6½-6½-6½)", ending at front edge. **Shape Neck:** At front edge, bind off 6 (6-7-8) sts, finish row. Turn, work back to neck edge, at beg of next row dec one st, then repeat decs every 2nd row 2 (2-2-2) more times; 12 (13-14-15) sts remain. Work even until armhole measures same as back. **Shape Shoulders:** At armhole edge, bind off 4 (4-4-4) sts, finish row. Turn, work back to armhole edge, bind off same. Third time bind off 4 (5-6-7) sts, break yarn and pull through loop to finish off. Take sts off st holder of right front. Attach yarn at armhole edge, work to correspond to Left Front, bind off and dec at beg of p rows instead of k rows.

Sleeves: With No. 9 needles, cast on 34 (34-36-38) sts. Work in k 1, p 1 ribbing for 2½" (all sizes). Change to No. 11 needles, k next row, inc in every 5 (4-4-4)th st across this row only, 40 (42-45-47) sts. P next row. Continue in stockinette st until sleeve measures 12 (12½-13-13½)" or desired length to underarm from beg. **Armholes** (all sizes): Bind off 3 sts at beg of the next 2 rows, then dec one st at beg and end of every k row until 10 sts remain. Bind off loosely.

Finishing: Sew seams. Sew in sleeves. **Neckband:** Holding right side of sweater toward you, beg at Right Front neck edge, with No. 9 needles pick up 17 (17-18-19) sts along side of neck, across back of neck pick up 13 (15-17-19) sts, down 2nd side pick up 17 (17-18-19) sts; 47 (49-53-57) sts around neck. Work in k 1, p 1 ribbing for 1". Bind off on right side of work in ribbing. With right side toward you, work one row sc along each front edge, working in each knot, skipping st in between, so that work does not pull. Darn in ends on wrong side. Press lightly, do not press ribbing. Sew zipper in place. **Pompon:** Wind yarn around 2" cardboard 25 times. Tie tog at one end. Cut and trim to round ball. Attach to zipper.

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Vintage 50's Front Zip Cardigan Jacket