

WATERFALL

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Curves (sizes 16-24)
artesano 4 Ply

Simple to knit and stunning to wear, this draped sleeveless sweater is knitted as a rectangle with armholes.

Sizes:

16[18:20:22:24]

Actual measurements:

Width: 145[150:155:160:165]cm
(57[59:61:63:65]ins)

Distance across back between armholes: 46[48:50:52.5:54]cm
(18[18.5:19:20:21]ins)

Yarn

Artesano 4 Ply 100% Pure

Superfine Alpaca 50 gr.

7[7:8:8:9] balls Bolivia (Shade 0785) - Main Colour

1[1:1:1:1] ball Brazil (Shade 5340) - Contrast

Needles

80cm long circular needle
2.75mm

Set of long double-pointed needles 2.75mm, or 40cm circular needle 2.75mm.

2 stitch markers or short lengths of contrasting yarn.

Artesano recommend Brittany Needles

Note: Yarn amounts given are approximate.

Tension:

27 sts and 44 rows to 10cm over st st using 2.75mm needles. Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

Abbreviations:

K2tog = knit two stitches together

P2tog = purl two stitches together

M1p = make 1 st purlwise by purling into front then back of next stitch

Inc = Increase

Whole Garment knitted widthways

Lower Edge

Using the 2.75mm circular needle and Contrast cast on 436[452:468:484:500] sts.

Rib Row 1 (Right side): *K4, P4 rep from * to end

Rib Row 2: *P4, K4 rep from * to end.

Change to Main colour and repeat these two rows 10 times more.

Next row (decrease – hooray!):

Size 16: K3 *K2 tog K8 repeat from * to last 3 sts k3. (393 sts)

Size 18/20: K6[5] * k2tog, k8, k2tog, k7. Repeat from * to last 9[7] sts, k2tog, k7[5] (405[419] sts)

Size 22/24: K10, *k2tog, k7, repeat from * to last 6[4] sts, k6[4] (432[446] sts)

Main Body

Starting with a purl row, continue in stocking stitch until garment measures 30[31:32:33:34]cm, ending with a knit row. This will take time. Be patient, find a good DVD or TV program and enjoy the feel of this beautiful yarn.

Armholes

P129[133:137:141:145]. Place a stitch marker or a piece of contrasting yarn through the stitch you have just worked. This marks the centre of the first armhole.

P136[140:146:151:157] and place the second marker through the stitch you have just worked. P128[132:136:140:144] to end.

K to 5 stitches before the first stitch marker (excluding the marked stitch). Cast off 11 stitches. Continue in K to 6 sts before the second stitch marker (excluding the marked stitch).

Cast off 11 stitches. K to end.

You will now have three blocks of stitches as follows

Size 16:123/125/123

Size 18:127/129/127:

Size 20:131/135/131:

Size 22:135/140/135:

Size 24:139/146/139

Decrease row 1: Purl to 2 sts before armhole edge, P2tog. Join a second ball of wool and P2tog on the other edge of this armhole. Repeat for second armhole. You will now have three balls of wool on the row.

Decrease row 2: K to 2 sts before

armhole edge, K2tog. Pick up the second ball of wool on other side of the armhole and K2tog. Knit across to second armhole and repeat.

Repeat Decrease rows 1 and 2 three times more.

Purl next row.

Work 6 further rows, decreasing on knit rows only at each armhole edge.

(112/103/112[116/107/116: 120/113/120:124/118/124:128/124/128] sts)

Knit straight until armhole measures 17[17.5:18:18.5:19] cm, ending with a purl row.

**K to stitch before armhole edge.

Inc 1 st by knitting into the front and back of this st. Inc 1 st on other side of the armhole. Repeat for second armhole.

Purl 1 row**

Repeat from ** to ** twice more.

Work a further 8 rows, increasing at each armhole edge on knit and purl rows. 123/125/123

[127/129/127: 131/135/131:135/140/135:139/146/139]

Next row, knit to first armhole.

Cast on 11 sts. Continuing with this ball of yarn, knit to second armhole and cast on 11 sts. K to end of row.

(393[405:419:432:446] sts)

Break off the two balls of yarn from the armholes.

Continue in st st until work measures 9 cm from top of armholes, ending with a knit row.

Neck Edge

Size 16: P3, *M1p P8. Repeat from * to last 3 stitches. P3 (436 sts)

Size 18/20: P6[5], *M1p, P8, M1p, P7. Repeat from * to last 8[6] sts, M1p, p7[5] (452[468] sts)

Size 22/24: P10[7], *M1p, P7.

Repeat from * to last 6[7] sts, P6[7] (484[500] sts)

Work 20 rows of rib to match

Lower Edge starting with 4K, 4P.

Change to Contrast and work two rows of rib.

Cast off loosely in rib pattern.

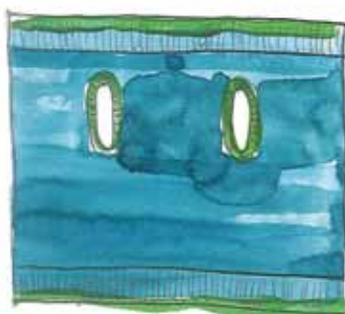
To Finish Off Armholes

With right side facing, using double pointed needles and Main Colour, starting at stitch marker, pick up and knit 6 sts across cast off edge, 15 sts up decrease shaping, 44[46:48:50:52] sts up straight section, 15 sts up increase shaping, 11sts across cast on edge, 15 sts down increase shaping, 44[46:48:50:52] sts down straight section, 15 sts down decrease shaping and 5 sts across cast off edge. 170[174: 178: 182: 186] sts. Work two rows in single rib (K1, P1). Change to Contrast Colour and work two further rows of single rib. Cast off loosely in rib.

Remove stitch markers or pieces of yarn, sew in ends of yarn as invisibly as possible.

Ignore pressing instructions on ball band and press rib edges firmly with a medium iron and damp cloth until they lie flat. Press the non-ribbed edges from the wrong side in the same way. If necessary, pin these edges to the ironing board, press and leave pinned until absolutely cool to minimise 'curl'.

When wearing this sleeveless sweater, note that the shorter distance from the armhole is the top of the sweater.





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