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# What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft®:** 6 (7, 8, 8, 9) balls 1882 Toast

Susan Bates® Knitting needles: 8mm [US 11], 5.5mm [US 9] (for ribbing only) straight needles, and 5.5mm [US 9] 16" (40 cm) circular needle (for neckband)

Stitch markers, stitch holder, cable needle, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 20 sts = 4'' (10 cm);20 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Basket Stitch pattern with larger needles. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Soft®. Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4oz (113g), 212 yd (194m) balls

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# **Aran Basket Stitch Sweater**

*Interesting twisted ribbing creates the perfectly* designed edging for this textural basket stitch sweater. Knit with no-itch yarn and a longer silhouette, you'll enjoy this sweater for years to come.

Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, X-Large, and XX-Large are in parentheses.

Finished Bust: 37½ (41, 44, 47, 50½)" (95.5 (104, 112, 119.5, 128.5) cm)

Finished Length (measured from back neck to lower edge): 24¾ (25, 25½, 26, 26½)" (63 (63.5, 65, 66, 66.5) cm)

#### **Special Stitches**

2/2 LC (2 over 2 Left Cross) = Slip next 2 stitches to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

2/2 RC (2 over 2 Right Cross) = Slip next 2 stitches to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

M1P (Make 1 purl Increase) = Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and purl strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.

**RT (Right Twist) =** Knit into the front of the second stitch on the left needle leaving the stitch on the needle, knit the first stitch on the left needle, slipping both stitches off the needle.

ssk = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time as if to knit, to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of sts, knit these sts together through back loop.

### Special Technique

**P2tog Bind Off =** [P2tog] twice, lift 2nd stitch on right needle over first stitch and off needle, \*p2tog, lift 2nd stitch on right needle over first stitch and off needle; repeat from \* until only 1 stitch remains on right needle. Fasten off last stitch.

#### **Pattern Stitches**

**Basket Stitch (multiple of 4 sts)** Row 1 (right side): \*2/2 LC; repeat from \*

across.

Row 2: Purl.

**Row 3:** K2, \*2/2 RC; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 4: Purl.

Repeat these 4 rows for Basket Stitch.

### Twisted Rib (multiple of 4 sts + 2 additional sts)

Row 1 (wrong side): \*K2, p2; repeat from \* to last 2 sts. k2.

Row 2 (right side): \*P2, RT; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, p2.

Repeat these 2 rows for Twisted Rib.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Pullover is worked in 4 pieces: Back, front, and 2 sleeves. Pieces are seamed and then neckband is worked in rounds.
- 2. You may find it helpful to place stitch markers on needle between pattern repeats. This will help you line up the crosses when pieces are shaped.

#### **BACK**

With smaller needles, cast on 94 (102, 110, 118, 126) sts.

Work in Twisted Rib until piece measures about 5" (12.5 cm) from beginning, ending with a right side row.

### **Begin Basket Stitch Pattern**

Change to larger needles. Purl 1 row.

Row 1 (right side): K1 (edge st), work Row 1 of Basket Stitch to last st, k1 (edge st).

Row 2: P1 (edge st), work Row 2 of Basket Stitch to last st, p1 (edge st).

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**Row 3:** K1, work Row 3 of Basket Stitch to last st. k1.

**Row 4:** P1, work Row 4 of Basket Stitch to last st, p1.

Repeat these 4 rows until piece measures about 17½" (44.5 cm) from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

#### **Shape Raglan Armholes**

**Note:** The pattern has now been established. When instructed to "work in established pattern", work as follows:

- 1. Work the first and last stitch of each row in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) for edge stitches.
- 2. Between the edge stitches work Basket Stitch taking care to line up crosses as before.

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—90 (96, 102, 108, 114) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—86 (90, 94, 98, 102) sts.

**Row 3:** Work in established pattern. **Row 4 (Decrease Row):** P2tog, work in established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—84 (88, 92, 96, 100) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 15 (16, 17, 18, 19) more times—54 (56, 58, 60, 62) sts remain.

**Next Row (right side):** Work in established pattern.

Bind off remaining sts using P2tog Bind Off.

#### **FRONT**

Work same as Back to raglan armhole shaping—94 (102, 110, 118, 126) sts.

#### **Shape Raglan Armholes**

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—90 (96, 102, 108, 114) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—86 (90, 94, 98, 102) sts.

**Row 3:** Work in established pattern.

**Row 4 (Decrease Row):** P2tog, work in established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—84 (88, 92, 96, 100) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 10 (11, 12, 13, 14) more times—64 (66, 68, 70, 72) sts remain.

**Next Row (right side):** Work in established pattern.

#### **Shape Neck**

**Dividing Row (wrong side):** P2tog, work in established pattern over next 13 sts, place these 14 sts on a holder for right side of neck, bind off center 34 (36, 38, 40, 42) sts using P2tog Bind Off, work in established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—14 sts remain for left side of neck.

#### Left Side of Neck

Working over 14 left side sts only.

**Row 1 (right side):** Work in established pattern to last 2 sts, k2tog—13 sts.

**Row 2:** Work in established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—12 sts.

Rows 3-6: Repeat last 2 rows twice—8 sts.

**Row 7:** Work in established pattern.

**Row 8:** Work in established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—7 sts.

**Rows 9 and 10:** Repeat last 2 rows—6 sts. **Row 11:** Work in established pattern. Bind off remaining sts using P2tog Bind Off.

#### **Right Side of Neck**

Return 14 right side sts to needles. Join yarn, ready to work a right side row.

**Row 1 (right side):** Ssk, work in established pattern to end of row—13 sts.

**Row 2:** P2tog, work in established pattern to last 2 sts—12 sts.

**Rows 3–6:** Repeat last 2 rows twice—8 sts.

**Row 7:** Work in established pattern.

**Row 8:** P2tog, work in established pattern to last 2 sts—7 sts.

**Rows 9 and 10:** Repeat last 2 rows—6 sts. **Row 11:** Work in established pattern. Bind off remaining sts using P2tog Bind Off.

## **SLEEVES** (make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 42 (46, 46, 50, 50) sts.

Work in Twisted Rib until piece measures about 4" (10 cm) from beginning, ending with a wrong side row (Row 1 of pattern).

## **Begin Basket Stitch Pattern**

Change to larger needles.

**Row 1 (right side):** K1 (edge st), work Row 1 of Basket Stitch to last st, k1 (edge st).

**Row 2 (wrong side):** P1 (edge st), work Row 2 of Basket Stitch to last st, p1 (edge st).

**Row 3:** K1, work in established pattern to last st. k1.

Row 4 (Increase Row): P1, M1P, work in established pattern to last st, M1P, p1—44 (48, 48, 52, 52) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows, working the new stitches into the established pattern, 7 (11, 17, 21, 27) more times—58 (70, 82, 94, 106) sts.

# Sizes Small (Medium, Large, X-Large) Only:

**Row 1 (right side):** K1, work in established pattern to last st, k1.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** P1, work in established pattern to last st, p1.

**Row 3:** K1, work in established pattern to last st, k1.

Row 4 (Increase Row): P1, M1P, work in established pattern to last st, M1P, p1—60 (72, 84, 96) sts.

Repeat last 4 rows, working the new stitches into the established pattern, 7 (5, 3, 1) more time(s)—74 (82, 90, 98) sts.

#### **All Sizes:**

Work even in established pattern until piece measures about 17½" (44.5 cm) from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

#### **Shape Raglan Armhole**

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—70 (76, 82, 88, 94) sts.

**Row 2:** Bind off 4 (6, 8, 10, 12) sts, work in established pattern to end of row—66 (70, 74, 78, 82) sts.

**Row 3:** Work in established pattern. **Row 4 (Decrease Row):** P2tog, work in

established pattern to last 2 sts, p2tog—64 (68, 72, 76, 80) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 15 (16, 17, 18, 19) more times—34 (36, 38, 40, 42) sts remain.

**Next Row (right side):** Work in established pattern.

Bind off remaining sts using P2tog Bind Off.

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## **FINISHING**

Sew raglan seams. Sew side and sleeve seams.

#### **Neckband**

With right side facing and circular needle, beginning at right back raglan seam, pick up and k28 (29, 30, 31, 32) sts across back neck, 18 (19, 20, 21, 22) sts across top of left sleeve, 9 sts down side of left neck, 18 (19, 20, 21, 22) sts across center of front, 9 sts up side of right neck, and 18 (19, 20, 21, 22) sts across top of right sleeve—100 (104, 108, 112, 116) sts. Place marker on needle for beginning of round and prepare to work in rounds.

**Round 1 (right side):** \*K2, p2; repeat from \* around.

**Round 2:** \*RT, p2; repeat from \* around. Repeat these 2 rounds until neckband measures about 4" (10 cm), ending with a Round 1.

Bind off in pattern. Weave in ends.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

k = knit; k2tog = knit next 2 sts together;
 p = purl; p2tog = purl next 2 sts together;
 st(s) = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.







