



## Kristen's PQ Sweater

Finished chest size = 43"

Yarn: 7 skeins Peruvia Quick

Needles: US 10.5 *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Gauge: 3 sts/in

### Back

Cast on 65 sts.

Knit 3 rows for border. Work in stockinette stitch until piece measures 11".

*Right Side: Underarm Shaping:* Bind off 4 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Continue in stockinette stitch until piece measures 19".

Put all 57 stitches onto 3 stitch holders: 21 sts, 15 sts, and 21 sts.

### Left Front

Cast on 25 sts.

Knit 3 rows for border. Work in stockinette stitch as you worked the back, with same measurements and underarm shaping **and at the same time** always knit the first 3 stitches at center edge for garter stitch button band.

Continue until same length as back.

Keep 21 shoulder stitches on stitch holder. Place 4 buttons on front button band – the top button should be 6 inches down from the shoulder.

### Right Front

Cast on 50 stitches.

Knit 3 rows for border. Work in stockinette stitch as you worked the back, with same measurements and underarm shaping **and at the same time** always knit the first 6 stitches of sweater front on every row, and make buttonholes (*see instructions for buttonholes at end of pattern*), 2 stitches in from the edge, matching the button placement on the left front.

Work three more rows after the last buttonhole.

Bind off 22 stitches at center edge.

Bind off 1 stitch at neck edge every right side row three times. 21 sts remaining.

Continue in stockinette stitch until piece is the same length as the back. Place remaining stitches on holder.

### Sleeves

Cast on 30 stitches.

Knit 3 rows for border. Work four rows in stockinette stitch.

*Begin sleeve shaping.* Increase 1 stitch on each side every fourth row, five times.

Then, Increase 1 stitch on each side every sixth row, eight times. 56 sts.

Continue until sleeve measures 19”.

Bind off.

Attach shoulder seams using 3-needle bind-off (21 stitches). Leave remaining center back stitches on holder. Sew in sleeves.

### Collar

Pick up approximately 34 stitches on left front panel, starting 1 stitch in from edge on buttonhole band, pick up 15 stitches from center back, and pick up 19 stitches from right front.

Knit every row for 3 ½ inches.

Bind off loosely.

### How to make the Buttonholes

RS: K1, bind off 3 sts, K2, continue in stockinette stitch to end of row.

WS: Stockinette stitch until last 3 stitches (the buttonhole band), K2, CO 3 stitches, K1.