Centre Court
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YARN

Wool Cotton

1st colourway

A Antique 900
- 4 5 5 6 6 7 x 50gm
B Pier 983
- 1 1 1 1 1 1 x 50gm
C Rich 911
- 1 1 1 1 1 1 x 50gm
D Elf 946
- 1 1 1 1 1 1 x 50gm

2nd colourway

A Sage 986 (new shade AW2013/14)
- 4 5 5 6 6 7 x 50gm
B Inky 908
- 1 1 1 2 2 2 x 50gm

NEEDLES

1 pair 3¼mm (no 10) (US 3) needles
1 pair 4mm (no 8) (US 6) needles
3¼mm (no 10) (US 3) circular needle
Cable needle

TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows to 10 cm measured over stocking stitch using 4mm (US 6) needles.

Pattern note: The pattern is written for the 3 ladies sizes, followed by the mens sizes in bold. Where only one figure appears this applies to all sizes in that group.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Cr3R = slip next st onto cable needle and leave at back of work, K2, then P1 from cable needle; Cr3L = slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and leave at front of work, P1, then K2 from cable needle;

Tw4R = slip next 4 sts onto cable needle and leave at back of work, K1 tbl, P1, K1 tbl, then P1 from cable needle;

Tw4L = slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and leave at front of work, P1, then K1 tbl, P1, K1 tbl from cable needle;

Tw5B = slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and leave at back of work, K2, then P1, K2 from cable needle;

Cr7B = slip next 4 sts onto cable needle and leave at back of work, K1 tbl, P1, K1 tbl, then (P1, K1 tbl) twice from cable needle.

BACK


Row 1 (RS): K2, *P2, K2, rep from * to end.

Row 2: P2, *K2, P2, rep from * to end.

These 2 rows form rib.

Joining in and breaking off colours as required, cont in rib in stripes as follows:


Using yarn B, work 6 rows.

Using yarn C [A], work 6 rows.

Using yarn D [B], work 6 rows, inc 1 [0: 1: 1: 0: 1] st at each end of last row and ending with RS facing for next row.


Break off contrasts and cont using yarn A only.

Change to 4mm (US 6) needles.

Beg with a K row, cont in st st, inc 1 st at each end of 11th and every foll 10th row until there are 98 [104: 110: 116: 122: 128] sts.
Ladies sizes only
Work 9 rows, ending with RS facing for next row. (Back should measure 33 cm.)

Mens sizes only
Cont straight until back measures 35 cm, ending with RS facing for next row.

All sizes

Shape armholes
Cast off 6 sts at beg of next 2 rows.
Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 [7: 9: 5: 7: 9] rows, then on foll 4 [5] alt rows, then on foll 4th row.

Shape shoulders and back neck

Work each side of neck separately.
Cast off 4 sts at beg of next row.
With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, cast off centre 32 sts, K to end.
Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

FRONT
Work as given for back to **.
Using yarn D [B], work 5 rows, ending with WS facing for next row.

Break off contrasts and cont using yarn A only.
Change to 4mm (US 6) needles.

Next row (RS): K11 [14: 17: 11: 14: 17], P4 [6], (work next 13 sts as row 1 of chart A) 1 [0] times, (work next 9 sts as row 1 of chart B, work next 13 sts as row 1 of chart A) 3 [4] times, (work next 9 sts as row 1 of chart B) 0 [1] times, P4 [6], K to end.

Next row: P11 [14: 17: 11: 14: 17], K4 [6], (work next 13 sts as row 2 of chart A) 1 [0] times, (work next 9 sts as row 2 of chart B, work next 13 sts as row 2 of chart A) 3 [4] times, (work next 9 sts as row 2 of chart B) 0 [1] times, K4 [6], P to end.
These 2 rows set the sts.
Cont as set, inc 1 st at each end of 11th and every foll 10th row until there are 113 [119: 125: 143: 149: 155] sts, taking inc sts into st st.

Ladies sizes only
Work 9 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Divide for neck

Next row (RS): Inc in first st, patt 55 [58: 61: -] sts and turn, leaving rem sts on a holder.
Work each side of neck separately.
Work 1 row, ending with RS facing for next row.
Keeping patt correct, dec 1 st at neck edge on next and foll 13 [11: 10: -] alt rows, then on foll 0 [4th: 4th: -] row and at same time inc 1 st at side seam edge on 9th and foll 10th row.
Work 1 [1: 3: -] rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape armholes
Keeping patt correct, cast off 6 sts at beg and dec 0 [0: 1: -] st at end of next row.
Work 1 row, ending with RS facing for next row.

Mens sizes only
Cont straight until front matches back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape armholes
Keeping patt correct, cast off 6 sts at beg of next 2 rows. - [131: 137: 143] sts
Dec 1 st at each end of next 2 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.
- [127: 133: 139] sts.

Divide for neck
Work each side of neck separately.
Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next row, ending with RS facing for next row.

All sizes
Cont straight until front matches back to beg of shoulder shaping, ending with RS facing for next row.

Shape shoulder
Work 1 row.
With RS facing, slip centre st onto a holder, rejoin yarn to rem sts, patt to last 1 [2] sts, (inc in last st) 1 [0] times, (K2tog) 0 [1] times.
Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

MAKING UP
Press.
Join shoulder seams using back stitch, or mattress stitch if preferred.

Neckband
With RS facing, using 3½mm (US 3) circular needle and yarn B, pick up and knit 92 [96: 100: 68: 72: 76] sts down left side of neck, K st left on holder and mark this st with a coloured thread, pick up and knit 92 [96: 100: 68: 72: 76] sts up right side of neck, then 42 sts from back.

Round 1 (RS): *K2, P2, rep from * to within 4 sts of marked st, K2, K2tog tbl, K marked st, K2tog, **K2, P2, rep from ** to end.
This round sets position of rib.
Keeping rib correct, cont as folls:

Round 2: Rib to within 2 sts of marked st, K2tog tbl, K marked st, K2tog, rib to end.
Rep round 2, 3 times more.
Break off yarn B and join in yarn C [A].
Rep round 2, 6 times more.
Break off yarn C [A] and join in yarn D [B].
Rep round 2, 6 times more.

Cast off in rib, dec either side of marked st as before.

**Armhole borders (both alike)**

With RS facing, using 3½mm (US 3) needles and yarn A, pick up and knit 98 [102: 106: 114: 118: 122] sts evenly all round armhole edge.

Work in rib as given for back for 6 rows, ending with WS facing for next row.

Cast off in rib (on **WS**).

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**Chart A**

![Chart A Diagram](image)

**Chart B**

![Chart B Diagram](image)

**Key**

- K on RS, P on WS
- P on RS, K on WS
- K1 tbl on RS, P1 tbl on WS
- Cr3R
- Cr3L
- Tw4R
- Tw4L
- Tw5B
- Cr7B