

# VOGUEknitting

## LANAKNITS DESIGNS HEMP FOR KNITTING

### DROP STITCH TUNIC

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#### KNITTED MEASUREMENTS

- Lower edge/Bust 35½ (35½, 39)"90 (90, 99)cm
- Length 28¾ (30¾, 31½)"73 (78, 80)cm

#### MATERIALS

- 4 (5, 6) 3½oz/100g skeins (each approx 165yd/150m) of Lanaknits Designs hempforkknitting *allhemp6* (hemp) in periwinkle #017
- One size 7 (4.5mm) circular needle, 29"/73.5cm long OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Stitch holder

#### GAUGES

- 14 sts and 26 rows to 4"/10cm over St st using size 7(4.5mm) needles after blocking.
- 1 8-row rep of Drop Stitch pat measures 1¾"/4.5cm after blocking.

TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE.

#### DROP STITCH PATTERN

**Row 1 (RS)** \*Yo twice, k1; rep from \* to end. **Row 2** \*P1, drop both yos; rep from \* to end. **Row 3** Purl. **Rows 4 and 6** Knit. **Row 5** Purl to last st, w&t. **Row 7** Purl to last st, close wrap. **Row 8** Knit. Repeat rows 1–8 for Drop Stitch pat.

#### SHORT ROW WRAP & TURN (w&t)

**RS rows** Knit desired number of sts, slip 1 stitch purlwise, bring yarn to front, return slipped stitch to LH needle.

**WS rows** Purl desired number of sts, slip 1 stitch purlwise, bring yarn to back, return slipped stitch to LH needle.

#### Closing wrapped sts

If wrapped st is a knit, insert RH needle under both the wrap and next st, place on the needle, then knit tog st and wrap. If wrapped



st is a purl, slip the st, lift the wrap from the front and place on LH needle, pass slipped st back to LH needle, purl tog st and wrap.

#### NOTES

- 1) Knitting is worked side to side beginning at side of left back. Additional sts are cast on for full length.
- 2) Short rows are worked throughout providing shaping for bodice.

#### BACK

Cast on 75 (80, 85) sts.

#### Beg short rows

**Row 1 (RS)** K3, p46 (51, 56), w&t. **Rows 2, 4, 6 and 8 (WS)** Knit. **Row 3** K3, p42 (47, 52), w&t. **Row 5** K3, p38 (43, 48), w&t. **Row 7** K3, p36 (41, 46), w&t. **Row 9** K3, purl to end, closing wrapped sts.

#### Left back underarm gusset

**Row 1 (WS)** K16, w&t. **Row 2 & all RS rows** Purl. **Row 3** K14, w&t. **Row 5** K12, w&t. **Row 7** K10, w&t. **Row 9** K8, w&t.

**Row 11** K6, w&t. **Row 13** K4, w&t. **Row 14** Purl 16.

### Upper back

Cast on 25 (28, 29) sts—100 (108, 114) sts. **Next row (WS)** Knit to end, closing wrapped sts. **Next row (RS)** K3, p to last 6 sts, k6. Rep the last two rows 2 (4, 2) times more.

### Begin Drop stitch pat

**Next row (RS)** K3, work row 1 of Drop Stitch pat over next 91 (99, 105) sts, k6. **Next row** K6, work row 2 of Drop Stitch pat, k3. Work even until 8-row Drop Stitch pat has been repeated a total of 8 (8, 10) times.

### Right back side shaping

**Row 1 (RS)** K3, p46 (51, 56), w&t. **Rows 2, 4, 6 and 8 (WS)** Knit. **Row 3** K3, p42 (47, 52), w&t. **Row 5** K3, p38 (43, 48), w&t. **Row 7** K3, p36 (41, 46), w&t. **Row 9** K3, p72 (77, 82), closing wrapped sts, turn. Slip rem 25 (28, 29) sts to holder.

### Right back underarm gusset

**Next row (WS)** K16, w&t. Work rows 2–13 of left back underarm gusset. **Next row (RS)** P4. **Next row (WS)** Bind off 75 (80, 85) sts, closing wrapped sts.

### RIGHT SLEEVE BAND

Cast on 6 sts. **Row 1 (RS)** K3, p3. **Row 2 (WS)** Knit. Rep rows 1 and 2 until band measures 3½ (4, 4½)"/9 (10, 11.5)cm from beg, end with a WS row.

### Join band

**Next row (RS)** K3, p3, [p19 (22, 23), k6] sts from holder—31 (34, 35) sts.

### RIGHT SLEEVE

**Next row** Knit. **Next row** K3, p22 (25, 26), k6. Rep last 2 rows twice more, knit 1 row.

### Begin short row shaping

**Row (short) 1 (RS)** K3, p21 (27, 28), w&t. **Row 2 (WS)** Knit. **Row 3** K3, p22 (25, 26), k6, closing wrapped st. **Rows 4–8** Work even. Rep these 8 rows twice more, then work 6 rows even over all sts, sleeve measures approx 6"/16 cm from joining row. **Next row (RS)** K3, p3, sl rem 25 (28, 29) sts to holder. Work even on 6 sts until band measures 13 (14, 15)"/33 (35.5, 38)cm from beg. Bind off 6 sts.

### FRONT

Cast on 75 (80, 85) sts. Work same as for Back, end with row 13 of underarm gusset.

### Join upper front

**Next row (RS)** P16, [p19 (22, 23), k6] from holder—100 (108, 114) sts. **Next row (WS)** K to end, closing wrapped sts. **Next row (RS)** K3, p to last 6 sts, k6. **Next row** Knit. Rep last 2 rows 0 (1, 0) times more. **Next (dec) row (RS)** K3, p to last 8 sts, p2 tog, k6. **Next row** Knit. Rep last 2 rows twice more—97 (105, 111) sts.

### Begin Drop stitch pat

\***Next row (RS)** K3, work row 1 of Drop Stitch pat over next 88 (96, 102) sts, k6. **Next row** K6, work row 2 of Drop Stitch pat to last 3 sts, k3. **Next row (RS)** K3, work row 3 of Drop Stitch pat to last 8 sts, p2tog, k6—96 (104, 110) sts. **Next row** Knit. **Next row (RS)** K3, work row 5 of Drop Stitch pat over next 81 (89, 95) sts, w&t. **Next row** Knit. **Next row (RS)** K3, closing wrapped st, work row 7 of Drop Stitch pat to last 6 sts, k6. **Next row** Knit. Rep from \* 4 (4, 5) times more—92 (100, 105) sts. Work rows 1–4 of Drop Stitch pat once. Working M1 in place of p2tog, rep from \* 5 (5, 6) times more—97 (105, 111) sts. **Next (dec) row (RS)** K3, p to last 6 sts, M1, k6. **Next row** Knit. Rep last 2 rows twice more—100 (108, 114) sts.

### Right front side shaping and underarm gusset

Work and complete same as for right back side shaping and underarm gusset—31 (34, 35) sts rem for sleeve band and sleeve.

### LEFT SLEEVE BAND AND SLEEVE

Work same as for right sleeve band and sleeve, sleeve measures approx 6"/16cm, end with RS row.

**Next row(WS)** Bind off 25 (28, 29) sts, k6. Cont working sleeve band on rem 6 sts until band measures 13 (14, 15)"/33 (35.5, 38)cm from beg. Bind off.

### FINISHING

Block to measurements. Sew bound-off edge of left sleeve to cast-on edge of upper back. Sew the 3½ (4, 4½)"/9 (10, 11.5)cm sleeve bands along front and back underarm gussets. Sew sleeve and side seams. ❖

