# INSTRUCTIONS SPRING/SUMMER 2009

# 3 MULTI-SHAPES TOP

Close-fitting top with multiple geometric shapes eyelet lace details and crocheted buttons. Sized for Medium to Large, and shown on page 53.

#### **KNITTED MEASUREMENTS**

For Size Medium to Large

- Bust 40"/101.5cm
- Length 28"/63.5cm
- Upper arm 131/2"/34.5cm

#### **MATERIALS**

• 14 1¾oz/50g skeins (each approx 124yd/ 113m) of Rowan Purelife/Westminster Fibers, Inc. *Milk Cotton DK* (cotton/milk protein) in #81 barley sugar

#### **SLEEVES**

Cast on 53 sts and beg with a RS (knit) row, work 4 rows in St st. Work next 14 rows as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

Work even in St st until piece measures 5¼"/13.5cm from beg. Inc 1 st each side on next RS row, then every 8th row 9 times more—73 sts. Work even until piece measures 17½"/44.5cm from beg.

Bind off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows, 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows—59 sts.

Cut yarn, and place rem 59 sts on a holder.

# SIDE WHEELS (make 2)

Cast on 38 sts.

Row 1 (WS) P3, turn. Row 2 K3. Row 3 P5, turn. Row 4 K5. Row 5 P7, turn. Row 6 K7. Cont in this way for 26 rows more, working 2 more sts on each WS row. Row 33 P35. Row 34 K35. Row 35 P38. Row 36 K38.

Rep these 36 rows 9 times more, then bind off all sts. Sew cast-on edge and bound off edge tog to create wheel.

# BACK

Cast on 120 sts and beg with a WS (purl) rows, work in St st, and dec 1 st at each side every 4th row 7 times—106 sts. Work 6 rows even in St st. Bind off 13 sts at beg of next 4 rows—54 sts.

Dec 1 st each side every RS row 16 times—22 sts. Work 36 rows even. Inc 1 st each side every RS row 16 times—54 sts. Cast on 13 sts at beg of next 4 rows—106 sts.

[Inc 1 st at each edge on next RS row, then work 3 rows even] twice—110 sts. Bind off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows, 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows—96 sts.

Cut yarn, and place rem 96 sts on a holder.

### LEFT FRONT

Fold one wheel in half lengthwise, and work the adjoining shapes, using the diagram to determine placement, as foll:

# Shape A

With RS facing, pick up and k 27 sts along wheel slice #2 edge.

**Row 1 (WS)** Knit. **Row 2 and all RS rows** Purl. **Row 3** K2, k2tog, k8, yo, S2KP, yo, k8, ssk, k2—25 sts.

**Row 5** K2, k2tog, k7, yo, S2KP, yo, k7, ssk, k2—23 sts.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

#### SHAPE B

With RS facing, pick up and k 27 sts along wheel slice #4 edge.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

#### SHAPE C

With RS facing, pick up and k 15 sts along first half of wheel slice #5 edge.

**Row 1 (WS)** Purl. **Row 2** K2, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo, k2. Rep rows 1 and 2 six more times.

Row 1 (WS) Purl. Row 2 K2, yo, k2tog, k to last 5 sts, ssk, yo, k2tog, k1. Rep rows 1 and 2 until 8 sts rem.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

# SHAPE D

With RS facing, pick up and k 15 sts along 2nd half of wheel slice #5 edge. Row 1 (WS) Purl. Row 2 K2, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo, k2. Rep rows 1 and 2 six more times.

**Row 1 (WS)** Purl. **Row 2** K1, ssk, yo, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, yo, k2.

Rep rows 1 and 2 until 8 sts rem.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

Sew tog adjoining edges of first 14 rows of shapes C and D.

# SHAPE E

Cast on 23 sts.

Row 1 (RS) Purl. Row 2 K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2. Rep rows 1 and 2 until 7 sts rem. Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

Sew shape E to shapes C and D.

#### SHAPE F

With RS facing, pick up and k 25 sts along inner edge of shape C. Row 1 (WS) Purl. Row 2 Knit.

Row 3 Purl. Row 4 K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2. Row 5 Purl. Row 6 K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2. Rep rows 1–6 until 9 sts rem.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

Sew tog adjoining edges of shapes F and B.

#### SHAPE G

Cast on 3 sts.

Work in St st beg with a WS (purl) row, and inc 1 st each side on 4th row 3 times, then every 6th row 9 times—27 sts. Work even until piece measures 9"/23cm from beg, or until the side edge fits along side of shape B and edge of slice #3

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine

Sew right side edge of shape G along edges of shape A, slice #3, and shape B.

# **LEFT FRONT BODICE**

With RS facing, pick up and k 53 sts evenly across slice #1 edge and shape A top edge.

Purl 1 row. [Inc 1 st at each right side edge on next RS row, then work 3 rows even] twice—55 sts. Bind off 4 sts at beg of next RS row, 3 sts at beg of next RS row—48 sts. Cut yarn, and place rem 48 sts on a holder.

# **RIGHT FRONT**

Fold rem wheel in half lengthwise, and work the adjoining shapes, using diagram to determine placement, as foll:

#### SHAPE A

Work same as left front.

#### **SHAPE B**

With RS facing, pick up and k 27 sts along wheel slice #4 edge.

Complete as for Size X-Small to Small in magazine.

#### SHAPES C-E

Work same as left front.

#### SHAPE F

With RS facing, pick up and k 25 sts along inner edge of shape C, then work same as left front.

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#### YOKE

Knit across 48 sts from right front, 59 sts from sleeve, 96 sts from back, 59 sts from other sleeve, and 48 sts from left front—310 sts.

Work even in St st for 7 rows.

Next row K17, k2tog, [k11, k2tog] 21 times, k18—288 sts. Work even in St st for 7 rows.

**Next row** K17, k2tog, [k10, k2tog] 21 times, k17—266 sts. Work even in St st for 7 rows.

**Next row** K16, k2tog, [k9, k2tog] 21 times, k17—244 sts. Work even in St st for 7 rows.

**Next row** K16, k2tog, [k8, k2tog] 21 times, k16—222 sts. Work even in St st for 5 rows.

Next row K15, k2tog, [k7, k2tog] 21 times, k16—200 sts. Purl 1 row. Bind off 10 sts at beg of next 2 rows—180 sts.

**Row 1** K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2—178 sts. **Row** 2 Purl.

Rep rows 1 and 2 twice more—174 sts.

**Next row** K2, k2tog, k4, k2tog, [k2, k2tog] 39 times, k4, ssk, k2—132 sts. Purl 1 row.

**Row 1** K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2—130 sts. **Row 2** Purl.

Rep rows 1 and 2 three times more—124 sts.

Next row K2, k2tog, k8, [k2tog] 50 times, k8,

**Next row** K2, k2tog, k8, [k2tog] 50 times, k8 ssk, k2—72 sts. Purl 1 row.

Row 1 K2, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2—70 sts. Row 2 Purl. Rep rows 1 and 2 three times more—64 sts. Bind off all sts.

#### **FINISHING**

Block pieces to measurements.

With RS facing and crochet hook, work 2 rows sc along each sleeve cuff. Sew sleeve seams. Sew remaining half of each wheel to shaped back piece. Sew lower 4½"/11.5cm at each side seam. Sew together gap at underarm.

# **Edging**

With RS facing and crochet hook, work sc across lower edge of back, along right front edge, around neck edge, and down left front edge. Join with sl st to first sc, turn work. Work sc along left front edge, make ch-8 button loops at top inner corner of shape G, top inner corner of shape A, at halfway bet shape A and neck shaping, and at beg of neck shaping. Cont in sc around neck, and down right front edge, creating a button loop at inner corner of shape B. Cont in sc across lower edge of back, join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

#### **BUTTONS** (make 5)

Ch 4, join with sl st to first ch to form ring.

Rnd 1 Work 6 sc in ring.

Rnd 2 Work 2 sc in each sc—12 sc.

Rnd 3 [Sc2tog] 6 times.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Use a darning needle to weave tail in and out of top sts, then pull tight. Sew buttons opposite buttonholes. ❖