



Brown Sheep Company, Inc.

Burly Bulky Cardigan

Pattern

FREE

Designed Exclusively for Brown Sheep Company by Lorna Miser

FINISHED SIZES: 36 (42, 48, 54)" chest size

MATERIALS: Brown Sheep Burly Spun (100% wool, [132 yards/226g])

2 (3, 3, 4) skeins Color A, shown in BS23 Fuschia

2 (3, 3, 4) skeins Color B, shown in BS62 Amethyst



NEEDLES:

Size 13 straight needles or size needed to obtain gauge

NOTIONS:

5 coordinating buttons, size 1"

GAUGE:

10 sts and 15 rows = 4" in dash stitch

NOTES: This cardigan is knit in pieces: 2 fronts and 1 back. Once the shoulders are joined, the set-in sleeves are knit downward from the shoulder using short rows to attach and form the shaping of the sleeves. Front edgings and buttonholes are integrated into the design. Only the neck edge requires picking up and finishing.

SPECIAL NOTE ON WRAPPED STS: To wrap a st, hold yarn to WS, slip next st as if to purl, move yarn to RS, slip st back to left needle, move yarn back to WS, turn work.

STITCH PATTERNS

Dash stitch (multiple of 8)

Row 1 (RS): Knit

All WS rows: Purl

Row 3: (k4, p4) across

Row 5: Knit

Row 7: (p4, k4) across

Moss Stitch (multiple of 2)

Row 1 & 2: (k1, p1) across

Row 3 & 4: (p1, k1) across

BACK:

Using color B, cast on 22 (26, 30, 34) sts, attach color A and cast on 22 (26, 30, 34) sts.

Knit 1 row (WS), always picking up new color from below to prevent holes between

the colors. RS rows: With B, k3 (1, 3, 1), work dash st over next 16 (24, 24, 32) sts, k3

(1, 3, 1), twist yarns, with A, k1, work moss st to last st, k1. WS rows: With A, p1, work moss st over next 24 sts, p1, twist

yarns, with B, p3 (1, 3, 1), work dash st over next 16 (24, 24, 32), sts, p3 (1, 3, 1). Work even in pattern until piece

measures 15 (15, 15, 16)", ending after a WS row.

Armhole shaping:

At beg of next 2 rows, bind off 2 (4, 6, 8) sts. 40 (44, 48, 52) sts. Dec 1 st at armhole edge every RS row 2 (4, 6, 8) times.

36 sts all sizes. Work even in pattern until back measures 23 (23 ½, 24, 25)". Place all sts on holder.

LEFT FRONT:





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Using color A, cast on 25 (29, 33, 37) sts. Knit 1 row (WS). RS rows: K1 st (edge st), work moss st to last 2 sts, p1, k1. WS rows: Slip 1, k1, work moss st to last st, p1. Work even in pattern until piece measures 15 (15, 15, 16)", ending after a WS row.

Armhole shaping:

At beg of next row, bind off 2 (4, 6, 8) sts, cont in pattern across row. 23 (25, 27, 29) sts. Dec 1 st at armhole edge every RS row 2 (4, 6, 8) times. 21 sts all sizes. Work even in pattern until front from beg measures 20 ½ (21, 21 ½, 22 ½)", ending after a RS row.

Neck shaping:

Bind off 9 sts at beg of next row. Cont in pattern, dec 1 st at neck edge every RS row 4 times. 8 sts. Work even until front measures 23 (23 ½, 24, 25)" from beg. Place sts on holder. Place pins along left front edge for desired button placement.

RIGHT FRONT

Note: Buttonholes are worked on RS rows to correspond to button placement on left front. Work buttonhole row as follows: Slip 1, p1, k1, yrn twice, k2tog, pattern to end. On following row, drop one yrn and purl into the rem one.

Using color B, cast on 25 (29, 33, 37) sts. Knit 1 row (WS). RS rows: Slip 1, p1, k3 (2, 3, 2), work dash st on next 16 (24, 24, 32) sts, k4 (1, 4, 1). WS rows: Purl 4 (1, 4, 1), work dash st on next 16 (24, 24, 32) sts, p3 (2, 3, 2), k1, p1. Work even in pattern, adding buttonholes where needed until piece measures 15 (15, 15, 16)", ending after a WS row.

Armhole shaping:

At beg of next row, bind off 2 (4, 6, 8) sts, cont in pattern across row. 23 (25, 27, 29) sts. Dec 1 st at armhole edge every RS row 2 (4, 6, 8) times. 21 sts all sizes. Work even in pattern until front from beg measures 20 ½ (21, 21 ½, 22 ½)", ending after a RS row.

Neck shaping:

Bind off 9 sts at beg of next row. Cont in pattern, dec 1 st at neck edge every RS row 4 times. 8 sts. Work even until front measures 23 (23 ½, 24, 25)" from beg. Place sts on holder.

Join shoulders:

Use 3-needle bind off to join shoulders. Hold front and back with right sides together, needles pointing toward the right. Knit through the first stitch on BOTH needles. Then do the same through the second stitch and bind off the first stitch over the second stitch from the right-hand needle, just as usual. Continue across. After one shoulder is bound off, continue across with the appropriate color, binding off center 20 sts for back neck. Bind off rem shoulder using 3 – needle bind off.

RIGHT SLEEVE

Using A, pick up 40 (42, 48, 52) sts around armhole, including bound off underarm sts. See note on wraps. Next row (WS) work in moss st across 29 (28, 34, 38) sts, wrap, turn. RS: Work in moss st across 11 (14, 14, 14) sts, wrap, turn.

Remaining sleeve cap shaping:

Work in moss st to wrapped st, put right needle through wrapped stitch and RS of wrap and work as one st, wrap next st, turn. Repeat this row until 2 (4, 6, 8) sts rem at each end. Work next 2 rows across all sts. 40 (42, 48, 52) sts.

Sleeve decreases:

Cont in dash st, now working 1 st at beg and end of row k on RS, p on WS. Dec 1 st at beg and end of row every 6 (6, 4, 4)th row 9 (10, 13, 16) times. 22 sts. Cont even until sleeve measures 18" or desired length from underarm, ending after a RS row. Knit next row. Bind off knitwise.



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LEFT SLEEVE

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Remaining sleeve cap shaping:

Work in dash st to wrapped st, put right needle through wrapped stitch and RS of wrap and work as one st, wrap next st, turn. Repeat this row until 4 sts rem at each end. Work next 2 rows across all sts. 40 (42, 48, 52) sts.

Sleeve decreases:

Cont in dash st, now working 1 st at beg and end of row k on RS, p on WS. Dec 1 st at beg and end of row every 6 (6, 4, 4)th row 9 (10, 13, 16) times. 22 sts. Cont even until sleeve measures 18" or desired length from underarm, ending after a RS row. Knit next row. Bind off knitwise.

FINISHING

Sew side and sleeve seams, using a smooth, worsted weight wool to match colors.

Neckband (all sizes):

Beg at right front neck edge, use color B to pick up approx. 30 sts to center back, join color A and pick up approx. 30 sts around to left front edge. Turn work. Knit one row. Bind off knitwise.

Sew buttons in place.

BONUS

Custom made buttons:

It can sometimes be hard to find buttons big and bold enough for a cardigan of this thickness. I used some wooden heart cut-outs from the local craft store, painting them with acrylic paints and coated them with a sealer. I then glued some smaller, flat buttons with shanks to the backs of the hearts.

