



Monique's Tunic

LW2376



Directions are for size **Small**; changes for sizes **Medium, Large, XLarge and XXLarge** are in parentheses.

Finished Chest: 39 (43, 47, 51, 55)''.

Finished Length: 28½ (28¾, 29, 29½, 30)''.

RED HEART® Boutique™ "Eclipse™": 9 (10, 11, 12 13) balls 9365 Mountain Mist.

Knitting Needles: 5.5mm [US 9] and 6.5mm [US 10½].
Stitch holders (3), yarn needle.

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4''; 24 rows = 4'' in St st on larger needles. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

Special Abbreviations

Skp = Slip 1 st knitwise, k1, pssso.

Ssk = Slip next 2 sts knitwise, one at a time to right needle; insert point of left needle into the fronts of these 2 sts and knit them together from this position.

K2, p2 Rib (Multiple of 4 + 2 sts)

Row 1 (Right Side): K2, * p2, k2; repeat from * to end of row.

Row 2: P2, * k2, p2; repeat from * to end of row.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for K2, p2 rib.

SWEATER

Back

With smaller needles, cast on 78 (86, 94, 102, 110) sts. Begin with Row 1, work 16 rows in K2, p2 rib.

Change to larger needles, begin St st with a k row and work even until piece measures 19'' from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end every row 3 (3, 3, 3, 5) times, then every other row 2 (3, 4, 5, 5) times—56 (60, 64, 68, 70) sts.

Work even until armhole measures 8½ (8¾, 9, 9½, 10)'' from beginning, end by working a wrong side row.

Shape Shoulders

Bind off 5 (5, 6, 6, 6) sts at beginning of next 4 rows, then bind off 5 (6, 5, 7, 7) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Slip remaining 26 (28, 30, 30, 32) sts onto holder for back neck.

Front

With smaller needles, cast on 78 (86, 94, 102, 110) sts. Begin with Row 1, work 16 rows in K2, p2 rib.

Change to larger needles, begin St st with a k row and work even until piece measures 17'' from beginning, end by working a wrong side row.

Divide for Neck

Next Row: K38 (42, 46, 50, 54) sts, slip next 2 sts onto holder for neckband, slip remaining 38 (42, 46, 50, 54) sts onto another holder for right front. Continue on sts for left front, p 1 row even.

Shape V Neck and Armhole

Next Row: K across row to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Repeat last row every other row 1 time, then every fourth row 5 (7, 8, 7, 9) times, then every sixth row 5 (4, 4, 5, 4) times **AND AT THE SAME TIME** when piece measures same as Back to armhole, ending with a wrong side row, **Shape Armhole** as follows: bind off 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) sts at armhole edge, then dec 1 st at same edge every row 3 (3, 3, 3, 5) times, then





every other row 2 (3, 4, 5, 5) times—15 (16, 17, 19, 19) sts. Work even until piece measures same as Back to shoulder shaping, end by working a wrong side row.

Shape Shoulder

Bind off 5 (5, 6, 6, 6) sts at shoulder edge twice. Work 1 row even. Bind off remaining 5 (6, 5, 7, 7) sts.

With right side facing, attach yarn to 38 (42, 46, 50, 54) sts for right front and k to end of row. P 1 row even.

Sleeves (Make 2)

With smaller needles, cast on 42 (46, 50, 54, 58) sts. Begin with Row 1, work 16 rows in K2, p2 rib.

Change to larger needles, begin St st with a k row and work 2 rows even. Shape sleeve by inc 1 st at each end next row, then every other row 6 (7, 8, 9, 9) times – 56 (62, 68, 74, 78) sts. Work even until piece measures 7 (7½, 8, 9, 9) from beginning, end by working a wrong side row.

Shape Cap

Bind off 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) sts at beginning of next 2 rows—50 (54, 60, 64, 68) sts. Dec 1 st at each end next row, then every other row 17 (17, 16, 16, 16) times, then every row 1 (3, 7, 9, 11) times. Bind off remaining 12 sts.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Set in sleeves. Join side and sleeve seams.

Neckband

With smaller needles, begin at shoulder edge, pickup and k64 (68, 68, 72, 72) sts down left neck edge, k2 sts from holder, pickup and k64 (68, 68, 72, 72) sts up right neck edge, k across 26 (28, 30, 30, 32) from back neck holder and dec 2 (0, 2, 2, 0) sts evenly across—154 (166, 166, 174, 178) sts.

Row 1: P2 * k2, p2; repeat from * to end of row.

Row 2: Rib to within 1 st of 2 center sts; k2tog, skp, work to end of row.

Row 3: Rib to within 1 st of 2 center sts; p2tog-tbl, p2tog, work to end of row.

Repeat Rows 2 and 3 twice more. Bind off loosely in rib. Weave in yarn ends.



RED HEART® Boutique™ “Eclipse™”. Art. E775 available in 1.76 Oz (50 g), 125 yd (114 m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: Dec = decrease; inc = increase; k = knit; mm = millimeters; p = purl; pssso = pass slipped st over; st(s) = stitch(es); St st = Stockinette st (k on right side rows, p on wrong side rows); tbl = through back loop; tog = together; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

