Side Buttoned Vest

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INTERMEDIATE

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Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, X-Large and XX-Large are in parentheses.

Finished Chest: 36 (38, 43, 46, 50)”, buttoned
Finished Length: 27 (27½, 28, 28½, 29)”, including edging.

RED HEART® “With Love®”: 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) skeins 1914 Berry Red.

Three 2” buttons, three large snaps, sewing needle and matching thread, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 14 sts = 4”; 14 rows = 4”, in Seed st pattern using larger needles. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

Special Stitches
M1 = Make 1 knit – Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.
M1P = Make 1 purl – Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and purl strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.
ssk = slip next two stitches knitwise to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of sts, knit these sts together through back loop.

PATTERN STITCHES
Double Garter Stitch
Row 1 (Wrong Side): Knit.
Row 2: Purl.
Row 3: Purl.
Row 4: Knit.
Repeat Rows 1–4 for Double Garter st.

Seed Stitch (multiple of 2 sts + 1)
Row 1 (Wrong Side): K1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to end of row.
Row 2: Knit the purl sts and purl the knit sts.
Repeat Row 2 for Seed st.

VEST
Back
With larger needles, cast on 71 (75, 83, 89, 95) sts.
Beginning with Row 1 (Wrong Side) of pattern, work even in Seed st for 9 rows
Decrease Row 1 (Right Side): K1, p2tog tbl, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—69 (73, 81, 87, 93) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.
Decrease Row 2: K1, p2tog tbl, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—67 (71, 79, 85, 91) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.
Repeat Decrease Row 1—65 (69, 77, 83, 89) sts.
Repeat Decrease Row 2—63 (67, 75, 81, 87) sts.

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Work even in Seed st until piece measures 14" from beginning, end with a Wrong Side row.

**Shape Armholes**

Continue to work in Seed st and shape armholes as follows:
- Bind off 4 (5, 6, 8, 9) sts at beginning of the next 2 rows—55 (57, 63, 65, 69) sts.
- Bind off 2 sts at beginning of next 2 rows—51 (53, 59, 61, 65) sts.

**Note:** In following decrease rows, if first stitch of a Right Side row is purled, work k2tog when instructed to decrease at beginning of row, and work ssk when instructed to decrease at end of row. If first stitch of a Right Side row is knit, work p2tog tbl when instructed to decrease at beginning of row, and work p2tog when instructed to decrease at end of row.

**Next Row (Right Side):** Work in Seed st for 1 st, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st over last st—47 (49, 55, 57, 61) sts.
- Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Repeat last 2 rows once more—45 (47, 53, 55, 59) sts.

**Shape Shoulders**

Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of each of the next 6 rows.
- Bind off remaining 23 (25, 25, 27, 31) sts.

**Left Front**

With larger needles, cast on 37 (39, 43, 47, 49) sts.
- Work Row 1 (Wrong Side) of Seed st pattern.
- Increase Row 1 (Right Side): K1, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1P, k1—38 (40, 44, 48, 50) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 2: *K1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k1, M1P, k1—39 (41, 45, 49, 51) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Repeat last 4 rows once more—41 (43, 47, 51, 53) sts.

**Next Row (Right Side):** K1, p2tog tbl, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1P, k1.
- Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 3: K1, p2, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k1, M1P, k1—42 (44, 48, 52, 54) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 4: K1, p2, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1P, k1—43 (45, 49, 53, 55) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Repeat last 4 rows once more—45 (47, 51, 55, 57) sts.

**Next Row (Right Side):** K1, p2tog tbl, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k1, M1P, k1.
- Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.

**Next Row (Right Side):** K1, p2tog tbl, *p1, k1; repeat from * to end of row—44 (46, 50, 54, 56) sts.
- Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.

**Shape Armhole and Neck**

Continue to work in Seed st and shape armhole as follows:
- Row 1 (Right Side): Bind off 4 (5, 6, 8, 9) sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—38 (39, 42, 44, 45) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Row 3: Bind off 2 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—35 (36, 39, 41, 42) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

**Note:** In Rows 5 and 7, if first stitch of a Right Side row is purled, work k2tog when instructed to decrease at beginning of row. If first stitch of a Right Side row is knit, work p2tog tbl when instructed to decrease at beginning of row.

Row 5: Work in Seed st for 1 st, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—33 (34, 37, 39, 40) sts.
- Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
Row 7: Work in Seed st for 1 st, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—31 (32, 35, 37, 38) sts.
- Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
Row 9: Work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—30 (31, 34, 36, 37) sts.
- Repeat last 2 rows until 12 (12, 15, 15, 15) sts remain on needle.
- Work even in Seed st until piece measures same as back to shoulder shaping, end with a Wrong Side row.

**Shape Shoulder**

Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of each of the next 3 Right Side rows.
- Fasten off.

**Right Front**

With larger needles, cast on 37 (39, 43, 47, 49) sts.
- Work Row 1 (Wrong Side) of Seed st pattern.
- Increase Row 1 (Right Side): K1, M1P, *p1, k1; repeat from * to end of row—38 (40, 44, 48, 50) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 2: K1, p1, M1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to end of row—39 (41, 45, 49, 51) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Repeat last 4 rows once more—41 (43, 47, 51, 53) sts.

**Next Row (Right Side):** K1, p2tog tbl, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1P, k1.
- Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 3: K1, p2, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k1, M1P, k1—42 (44, 48, 52, 54) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Increase Row 4: K1, p2, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1P, k1—43 (45, 49, 53, 55) sts.
  - Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
- Repeat last 4 rows once more—45 (47, 51, 55, 57) sts.

**Next Row (Right Side):** K1, p2tog tbl, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k1, M1P, k1.
- Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.
Increase Row 3: K1, p1, M1, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1—42 (44, 48, 52, 54) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
Increase Row 4: K1, M1P, p1, *k1, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1—43 (45, 49, 53, 55) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.
Repeat last 4 row once more—45 (47, 51, 55, 57) sts.

Next Row (Right Side): K1, p1, M1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1.
Work even in Seed st for 9 rows.

Next Row (Right Side): K1, p1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—44 (46, 50, 54, 56) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Next Row (Right Side): K1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—43 (45, 49, 53, 55) sts.
Work even in Seed st until piece measures 14” from beginning, end with a Right Side Row.

Shape Armhole and Neck
Continue to work in Seed st and shape armhole as follows:

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Bind off 4 (5, 6, 8, 9) sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—38 (39, 42, 44, 45) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Row 3: Bind off 2 sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—35 (36, 39, 41, 42) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Note: In Rows 5 and 7, work p2tog tbl when instructed to decrease at beginning of row.

Row 5: Work in Seed st for 1 st, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—33 (34, 37, 39, 40) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Row 7: Work in Seed st for 1 st, decrease 1 st, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—31 (32, 35, 37, 38) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Row 9: Work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—30 (31, 34, 36, 37) sts.
Repeat last 2 rows until 12 (12, 15, 15, 15) sts remain on needle.
Work even in Seed st until piece measures same as back to shoulder shaping, end with a Right Side row.

Shape Shoulder
Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of each of the next 3 Wrong Side rows.
Fasten off.

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Continue to work in Seed st and shape armhole as follows:

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Bind off 4 (5, 6, 8, 9) sts, work in Seed st to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—38 (39, 42, 44, 45) sts.
Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

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Work even in Seed st for 1 row.

Next Row (Right Side): K1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2tog, k1—43 (45, 49, 53, 55) sts.
Work even in Seed st until piece measures 14” from beginning, end with a Right Side Row.

Shape Shoulder
Bind off 4 (4, 5, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of each of the next 3 Wrong Side rows.
Fasten off.

FINISHING
Lower Back Edging
With Right Side of back facing and smaller needles, pick up and knit 71 (75, 83, 89, 95) sts across lower edge.
Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 10 rows. Bind off loosely.
Sew shoulder seams.

Right Front Edging
With Right Side facing and smaller needles, pick up and knit 37 (39, 43, 47, 49) sts across lower edge of right front, 14 sts across curved front edge, 44 sts across straight front edge, 46 (49, 52, 55, 58) sts across right neck edge to shoulder, 12 (13, 13, 14, 16) sts across back neck to center back neck—153 (159, 166, 174, 181) sts.
Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 10 rows. Bind off loosely.

Left Front Edging
With Right Side facing and smaller needles, beginning at center back neck, pick up and knit 12 (13, 13, 14, 16) sts across back neck to shoulder, 46 (49, 52, 55, 58) sts across left neck edge, 44 sts across straight front edge, 14 sts across curved front edge, and 37 (39, 43, 47, 49) sts across lower edge of left front—153 (159, 166, 174, 181) sts.
Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 10 rows. Bind off loosely.

Armhole Edging
With Right Side facing and smaller needles, pick up and knit 76 (82, 88, 98, 102) sts across armhole edge.
Beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter st for 10 rows. Bind off loosely. Repeat across other armhole edge.

Attach Buttons and Snaps
With Right Side facing, place markers on edging of right front for 3 buttons. Place first marker at beginning of neck shaping, 2nd marker at top of curved front, and 3rd marker evenly spaced between the first two markers. With sewing thread, sew buttons to right front. Sew one half of a snap on Wrong Side of right front, behind each button. Place markers on left front for the other halves of snaps. Place markers in line with buttons on right front and approximately centered on left front (you may wish to try on vest to determine placement) and sew halves of snaps in place. Weave in ends.
RED HEART® “With Love®”, Art. E400 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 390 yd (357 m) and multi color 5 oz (141 g), 230 yd (211 m) skeins.

ABBREVIATIONS: k = knit; k2tog = knit next 2 sts together; p = purl; p2tog = purl next 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch(es); tbl = through back loop; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.