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LACEY TOPPER IN PIMA SILK
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Lacey Topper

*Designed exclusively for Cascade Yarns
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A lacey bodice with a bias stitch pattern is the highlight of this summery topper. Effortless lace is featured at the lower portions of the body and sleeves; stockinette stitch completes the look. The sections are divided by an eyelet row, which is treaded with ribbon. There are set-in sleeves. The neckline is trimmed in reverse single crochet.

SKILL LEVEL

 Intermediate

SIZE

Woman's small (medium, large, extra-large)
Instructions are given for smallest size, with larger sizes in parentheses. When only 1 number is given, it applies to all sizes. Model shown in size small.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 36 (40, 44, 48)"

Length: 20½ (21, 22½, 24)"

MATERIALS

- Cascade Pima Silk, 85% Pima cotton, 15% silk (50g/109 yds per ball): 7 (8, 9, 10) balls #6915 pink
- Size 7 (4.5mm) double-pointed (dpn) and 29" circular needle **or size needed to obtain gauge**
- Size G/6 (4mm) crochet hook
- Stitch holders and markers
- 2 (2, 2½, 2½) yds ribbon

GAUGE

19 sts x 22 rows = 4" in Openwork pat

18 sts x 26 rows = 4" in St st

To save time and ensure proper fit, take time to check gauge.

DESIGNER NOTES

Body is worked circular in one piece to the underarm, where it is divided for front and back. Openwork pattern forms a bias fabric.

STITCH GLOSSARY

Openwork Pattern

Rnd 1: *Yo, k3, lift 3rd st (the one closest to the yo) over first and second sts; rep from * around.

Rnd 2: Knit.

BODY

Cast on 171 (189, 210, 228) sts. Join without twisting, placing marker between first and last st. Work even in Openwork pat until body measures 11 (11, 12, 13)" from beg ending with Rnd 1 of pat.

Knit 1 rnd, dec 1 st on sizes **small and medium only** – 170 (188, 210, 228) sts.

Eyelet Band

Rnds 1 and 2: Purl.

Rnd 3: *Yo, k2tog; rep from * around.

Rnd 4: Purl.

Rnd 5: Purl, dec 8 (8, 12, 12) sts evenly – 162 (180, 198, 216) sts.

Divide for front and back

Place second marker after st #81 (90, 99, 108).

Rnd 6: Knit, ending 7 (8, 11, 12) sts before first marker.

Rnd 7: Bind off 14 (16, 22, 24) sts for left underarm, knit to 7 (8, 11, 12) sts before second marker and place sts just worked on holder for front, bind off 14 (16, 22, 24) sts for right underarm, knit to end of rnd. Remove markers.

BACK

Work in rows and St st from this point. Working on back sts only, dec 1 st every RS row 4 (5, 5, 6) times – 59 (64, 67, 72) sts.

Work even until armhole measures 7½ (8, 8½, 9)" above bound-off underarm sts, ending with a WS row.

Shape back neck and shoulders

Mark center 25 (28, 29, 32) sts.

Next row (RS): Knit to marker, join second ball of yarn and bind off marked sts, knit to end of row.

Working on both sides of neck with separate balls of yarn, dec 1 st at each neck edge every row 3 times, **at the same time** bind off at each armhole 5 (5, 5, 6) sts twice, then 4 (5, 6, 5) sts once.

FRONT

Sl sts from holder to needle. With WS facing, join yarn at underarm. Work as for back until

armhole measures 4 (4½, 5, 5½)" above bound-off underarm sts, ending with a WS row.

Shape front neck

Mark center 21 (24, 25, 28) sts.

Next row (RS): Knit to marker, join second ball of yarn and bind off marked sts, knit to end of row.

Working on both sides of neck with separate balls of yarn, bind off 2 sts at each neck edge, then dec 1 st at each neck edge every RS row 3 times – 14 (15, 16, 17) sts.

Work even until armhole measures same as for back to underarm above bound-off underarm sts.

Shape shoulders

Bind off at each armhole 5 (5, 5, 6) sts twice, then 4 (5, 6, 5) sts once.

SLEEVES

With dpn, cast on 66 (72, 75, 78) sts. Join without twisting, placing marker between first and last st.

Work even in Openwork pat until sleeve measures 4 (4, 5, 5)".

Eyelet Band

Rnd 1: Purl.

Rnd 2: Purl, dec 1 st on size L only – 66 (72, 74, 78) sts.

Rnd 3: *Yo, k2tog; rep from * around.

Rnds 4 and 5: Purl.

Rnd 6: Knit, ending 7 (8, 11, 12) sts before marker.

Shape sleeve cap

Next rnd: Bind off 14 (16, 22, 24) sts, knit to end of rnd. Remove marker.

Work in rows and St st from this point.

Dec 1 st each end every RS row 4 (5, 5, 6) times.

Beg with a RS row, work even for 12 (12, 14, 16) more rows. Dec 1 st each end every RS row 3 times.

Bind off 4 (5, 4, 4) sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 5 (4, 3, 3) sts at beg of following 2 rows.

Bind off remaining 12 (12, 14, 14) sts.

NECKBAND

Sew shoulder seams. Beg at shoulder seam, work 1 rnd of sc around entire neckline, making sure to keep work flat. Do not turn.

Next rnd: Working from left to right, work 1 sc in each sc of previous row. Join with sl st. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Sew sleeves into armholes.

Cut ribbon into 3 pieces: 1 for bodice at 37 (41, 45, 49)", and 2 for sleeves at 15 (16, 16 ½, 17)" each.

Begin at underarm, thread ribbon through eyelet rnd. Overlap ends by 1" and sew in place.

