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Sizes: 22, 24, 26, 28" (2, 4, 6, 8)
5 skeins Pacific® (shown in colors 42 (A), 23, (B) 30 (C), 09(D), 07 (E)
   Optional Colors seen in some yarn stores: 59 (A) , 23 (B), 60 (C), 01 (D), 07 (E)
   OR *47(A), 85 (B), 24 (C), 01 (D), 20 (E)*

24" circular needles, size 7 and size 8 OR size to obtain gauge, 16" circular needle in smaller size
gauge: 20 sts/4" st st on smaller needle (size 7 suggested)
Darning needle

st st stockinette st
pm   place marker
rnd   round

With size 7 needles and color A, cast on 112 (120, 132, 140) sts. Join, being careful not to twist. K2p2
for 6 (6, 6, 8) rnds. Change to color B and **knit** one row. Now resume ribbing for 4 (4, 4, 6) rnds. Change
to color C and knit one row, then work 3 (3, 3, 4) more rnds of k2p2 ribbing. The knit row inserted at
each color change will eliminate the little purl slashes of color which otherwise occur when changing col-
or on a purl. Dec 2 sts on sizes A and C on the last row. 110 (120, 130, 140) sts
Work 2 rnds color D (backgrnd color), then change to size 8 needles and work Chart A, then Chart B.
Note: sizes sizes 2 and 6 start at A on chart, sizes 4 and 8 start at B.
Change to smaller needles (as stranded knitting, no matter how even) is bound to be a little tighter than
one color st st.
Work until piece measure 8 ½ (91/2, 10 ½. 12 ½)" from cast on edge, making half way point on last row.
Place half of sts on scrap piece of yarn for front to be worked later.

Back armhole shaping:
Working back and forth, bind off 3 (4, 4. 4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. On next 3(3, 4, 4) rs rows,
k2, k2 tog, k to last 4 sts, ssk, k2. 43(46, 49, 54) sts
Work straight until armholes measure 5 ½ (6 ½, 7, 7 ½)," measured straight up. Place remaining sts on
scrap of yarn.

Front:
Place front 55(60, 65, 70) sts on smaller needle. Mark for middle of row. On sizes 2 and 6 place middle
st on pin to hold until pick-up for neck) Dec for armhole as for back while *at the same time*, divide for V-
neck: k to 4 sts from middle, 2 tog, k2. Attach second ball of color D yarn, k2, ssk, work to end, making
appropriate decreases for armhole. Dec as established on rs for neck for 6(6, 7, 7) more rs rows. Now
dec at neck edge every 4th row until 10(11, 12, 13)sts remain. Join these sts to back edge sts with 3 nee-
dle bindoff, holding right sides together.

Note: in picking up sts along rows, pick up 3 sts for every 4 rows of knitting.

Finishing neck edge:

With right side facing, smaller circular needle and color C, knit across sts held from the back neck, pick up and knit down left side of neck, pm, pick up and knit one st at center (bottom of V), pm, pick up and knit the same number of sts as left side up right side of neck, pm for beginning of rnd. Evenly adjust sts to a multiple of 4 on first rnd of ribbing.

Rnd 1: Rib to 2 sts before marker, ssk, slip marker, k1, slip marker, k2tog, work in ribbing to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: Work in established rib to 2 sts before front marker, ssk, slip marker, k1, slip marker, k2tog, rib to end of rnd.

Repeat rnd 2 for remainder of ribbing working 3 rnds in C, change to color B for 3 rnds, change to color A for 2 rnds.

Bind off in rib pattern.

Armhole edgings:

Starting at bottom of armhole, with color C and smaller needle, pick up and knit sts arnd armhole. On first rnd, adjust for multiple of 4. k2p2 for 5 rnds, bind off in ribbing.

Pattern:

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
								X
X			X				X	X
		X		X				X
		X			X			
	X					X		
X				X(C)			X	
	X					X		
		X			X			
			X		X			
X			X				X	X
			X	X	X			
			X	X	X			
			X	X	X			
X	X	X				X	X	X
X	X	X		X(C)		X	X	X
X	X	X				X	X	X
			X	X	X			X
X			X	X	X		X	X
			X	X	X			X
X(A)			X(A)				X	X

    A   B

X   color A
X   color B
X   color C
X   color D
Plain cells are white