

N1169 Casual Tunic

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To Fit: 86-117cm/34-46ins

Photographed in: Harmony Aran/10ply #804

MATERIALS AND MEASUREMENTS						
To Fit	86	92	96-102	107-112	112-117	cm
	34	36	38-40	42-44	44-46	ins
Finished Bust	92	99	107	114	122	cm
	36	39	42	45	48	ins
Length	86	87	87	88	88	cm
	33 ¾	34 ¼	34 ¼	34 ½	34 ½	ins
HARMONY Aran/10ply 100% Pure NZ Merino (50gr hank)	11	12	13	14	15	hanks
Needle sizes	4mm & 4.5mm (US 6 & 7) straight needles Stitch holders and markers					

The quantities of yarn stated are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Approx – approximately; beg beginning; cm – centimeters; cont - continue; dec - decrease; **est** – established; **foll** – follow(s) (ing); inc - increase; ins - inches; k - knit; meas - measures; mm millimetres; NR – next row; p – purl; patt(s) – pattern(s); pm – place marker; rem - remaining; rep - repeat; RS(F) - right side (facing); skp - slip 1 stitch, knit 1 stitch, pass the slipped stitch over; sI - slip; st(s) - stitch(es); Stst stocking stitch (k on RS; p on WS); tog – together; WS(F) – wrong side (facing); **yo** – yarn over needle.

M1 - pick up running thread (between last st worked and next st) from front to back, k it through the back loop;

TENSION

20 sts and 26 rows over Stst on 4.5mm (US 7) needles – 10cm/4ins

CHECK YOUR TENSION CAREFULLY

BACK

With 4.5mm (US 7) needles, cast on 102 (110, 118, 126, 134) sts. **Row 1 (RS)** – K2; *p2, k2; rep from

* to end.

Row 2 (WS) – P2; *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 3 – P2; *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 4 – K2; *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Rep these 4 rows once more, then rows 1 & 2 once.

Stst until piece meas 20cm/ 8ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Cont in Stst and dec 1 st each end of next row, then every 14 (14, 14, 12, 12) rows 4 (4, 4, 5, 5) times more – 92 (100, 108, 114, 122) sts. Stst straight until piece meas 62cm/ 24 ½ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Shape Armholes

Cast off 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts beg next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st each end next 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) rows.

Dec 1 st each end next 3 RS rows - 74 (80, 86, 90, 96) sts.

Cont straight until back meas 84 (85, 85, 86, 86)cm/ 33 (33 $\frac{1}{2}$, 33 $\frac{1}{2}$, 33 $\frac{3}{4}$, 33 $\frac{3}{4}$)ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Shape Neck and Shoulders

NR (RS) – K29 (32, 34, 36, 38) sts, turn, on these sts only (leave rem sts on hold).

Cast off 4 sts beg next 2 WS rows

- 21 (24, 26, 28, 30) sts.

NR (RS) – Cast off 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts, k to end.

P 1 row.

Cast off rem 10 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts

With RSF return to rem sts, rejoin yarn and cast of next 16 (16, 18, 18, 20) sts, patt to end.

Cast off 4 sts beg next 2 RS rows – 21 (24, 26, 28, 30) sts.

NR (WS) – Cast off 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts, p to end.

K 1 row.

Cast off rem 10 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts.

LEFT FRONT

With 4.5mm (US 7) needles, cast on 78 (82, 86, 96, 100) sts.

Row 1 (RS) – *K2, p2; rep from * to last 2 (2, 2, 0, 0) sts, k2 (2, 2, 0, 0).

Row 2 (WS) – P2 (2, 2, 0, 0); *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 3 – *P2, k2; rep from * to last 2 (2, 2, 0, 0) sts, p2 (2, 2, 0, 0).

Row $4 - {^*K2} (2, 2, 0, 0); {^*p2}, k2;$ rep from * to end.

Rep these 4 rows once more, then rows 1 & 2 once.

Main Front

NR (**RS**) – K to last 6 sts, patt 6. **NR** – Patt 6, p to end.

Cont in this manner, keeping front

edge 6 sts in patt and main body in Stst until piece meas 20cm/8ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Cont as established and dec 1 st at beg of next RS row (at sideseam edge), then every 14 (14, 14, 12, 12) rows 4 (4, 4, 5, 5) times more – 73 (77, 81, 90, 94) sts.

Cont straight until piece meas 46cm/ 18ins from beg, end with a RS row.

NR (WS) – Work 28 (28, 28, 32, 32) sts and place these sts onto stitch holder (take note if the 6 st patt row has been row 2 or 4); p to end.

Stst straight over the rem 45 (49, 53, 58, 62) sts until piece meas 55cm/ 21 ½ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Beg Neck Shaping

Dec 1 st at neck edge end of next RS row then every other RS row until piece meas 62cm/ 24 ½ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Shape Armhole and Front Neck Cast off 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts beg next RS row.

Keep front edge dec (every other RS row correct and dec 1 st at armhole edge next 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) rows, then 1 st at armhole edge next 3 RS rows.

Work straight at armhole edge but cont to dec at neck edge every other RS row as established until 21 (24, 26, 28, 30) sts rem.

Cont straight until front meas same as back to beg of shoulder shaping, end with a WS row.

NR (RS) – Cast off 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts, k to end.

P 1 row.

Cast off rem 10 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts.

RIGHT FRONT

With 4.5mm (US 7) needles, cast on 78 (82, 86, 96, 100) sts.

Row 1 (RS) – K2 (2, 2, 0, 0), *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS) – *P2, k2; rep from * to last 2 (2, 2, 0, 0) sts, p2 (2, 2, 0, 0).

Row 3 – P2 (2, 2, 0, 0), *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 4 – *K2, p2; rep from * to last 2 (2, 2, 0, 0) sts, k2 (2, 2, 0, 0). Rep these 4 rows once more, then rows 1 & 2 once.

Main Front

NR (RS) - Patt 6, k to end.

NR – P to last 6 sts, patt 6.

Cont in this manner, keeping front edge 6 sts in patt and main body in Stst until piece meas 20cm/8ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Cont as established and dec 1 st at end of next RS row (at sideseam edge), then every 14 (14, 14, 12, 12) rows 4 (4, 4, 5, 5) times more – 73 (77, 81, 90, 94) sts.

Cont straight until piece meas 46cm/ 18ins from beg, end with a WS row.

NR (RS) – Work 28 (28, 28, 32, 32) sts and place these sts onto stitch holder (take note if the 6 st patt row has been row 1 or 3); k to end.

Stst straight over the rem 45 (49, 53, 58, 62) sts unil piece meas 55cm/ 21 ½ins from beg, end with a WS row.

Beg Neck Shaping

Dec 1 st at neck edge beg of next RS row then every other RS row until piece meas 62cm/ 24 ½ins from beg, end with a RS row.

Shape Armhole and Front Neck Cast off 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts beg next WS row.

Keep front edge dec (every other RS row correct and dec 1 st at armhole edge next 2 (2, 3, 3, 4) rows, then 1 st at armhole edge next 3 RS rows.

Work straight at armhole edge but cont to dec at neck edge every other RS row as established until 21 (24, 26, 28, 30) sts rem.

Cont straight until front meas same as back to beg of shoulder shaping, end with a RS row.

NR (WS) – Cast off 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts, p to end.

K 1 row.

Cast off rem 10 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts.

COMPLETE

Join shoulder seams. Mark centre back neck.

ARMHOLE BANDS

With RSF and 4.5mm (US 7) needles.

Beg at underarm edge, pick up and k50 (52, 52, 54, 54) sts up armhole edge to shoulder, 50 (52, 52, 54, 54) sts down armhole edge – 100

(104, 104, 108, 108) sts.

Row 1 (WS) - *K2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 - *K2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 3 - *P2, k2; rep from * to end.

Change to 4mm (US 6) needles.

Row 4 - *P2, k2; rep from * to end.

Cast off in patt.

Work 2nd armhole band to match.

RIGHT FRONT BAND

(turning into **Left** Front Neckband when sewn up)

Slip right front holder 28 (28, 28, 32, 32) sts to 4.5mm (US 7) needle (ensure next row to be worked is a WS row), rejoin yarn.

NR (WS) – Patt 6 (exactly the same as at end of this row), p to last 6 sts, patt 6.

NR (RS) – Patt 6, k to last 6 sts, patt 6.

NR – Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6. Rep last 2 rows 3 times more.

*****NR (RS)** – Patt 6, M1, k to last 6 sts, patt 6 – 29 (29, 29, 33, 33) sts. **NR** – Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6.

****NR (RS)** – Patt 6, k to last 6 sts, patt 6.

 \mathbf{NR} - Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6.**

Rep from ** to ** twice more.***
Rep from *** to *** until 39 (39, 39, 44, 44) sts on needle.

Cont straight in patt as est until shaped edge fits easily along LEFT Front edge to shoulder and across to centre back neck marker.

Cast off or leave on hold for 3 needle-bind-off or grafting.

LEFT FRONT BAND

(turning into **Right** Front Neckband when sewn up)

Slip left front holder 28 (28, 28, 32, 32) sts to 4.5mm (US 7) needle (ensure next row to be worked is a RS row), rejoin yarn.

NR (RS) – Patt 6 (exactly the same as at end of this row), k to last 6 sts, patt 6.

NR (WS) – Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6.

NR – Patt 6, k to last 6 sts, patt 6. **NR** (**WS**) – Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6.

Rep last 2 rows 3 times more. *****NR (RS)** – Patt 6, k to last 6 sts, M1, patt 6 – 29 (29, 29, 33, 33)

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NR – Patt 6, p to last 6 sts, patt 6.**

Rep from ** to ** twice more.***
Rep from *** to *** until 39 (39, 39, 44, 44) sts on needle.

Cont straight in patt as est until shaped edge fits easily along RIGHT Front edge to shoulder and across to centre back neck marker.

Cast off or leave on hold for 3 needle-cast-off or grafting.

Front bands will cross over and be sewn to opposite fronts, right band will be on top at crossover.

With RSF, sew left front band shaped edge along right front neck edge, keep seam even and invisible as possible.

With RSF, lift right front band over left front band and sew shaped edge along left front neck edge, keep seam even and invisible as possible.

Work 3-needle cast-off as given below or grafting at centre back neck.

Join sides and armhole bands.

3-needle cast-off: With the right side of the two pieces facing each other, and the needles parallel, insert a third needle knitwise into the first stitch of each needle. Wrap the yarn around the needle as if to knit; knit these two stitches together and slip them off the needles. *Knit the next two stitches together in the same way; slip the first stitch on the third needle over the second stitch and off the needle. Repeat from * across row until all the stitches are cast off.

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