

## City Cape



### MATERIALS

9 (11) skeins of Purl Soho's [Alpaca Pure](#), 100% alpaca. Each skein is approximately 109 yards/100 grams. This color is Timeless Navy.

You will also need:

A US #9, 32-inch or longer circular needle

A US #8, 20-inch circular needle

A set of US #6 double pointed needles

4 stitch markers

### GAUGE

#### Body:

16 stitches x 36 rows = 4 x 4 inches with the larger circular needle in Woven Slip Stitch pattern (blocked)

#### Collar:

20 stitches x 24 rows = 4 x 4 inches with the smaller circular needle in K2, P2 rib (relaxed)

### SIZES

To fit chest circumference: 30 inches to 38 inches (38 inches to 46 inches)

Finished circumference at bottom edge: 60 (66) inches

Finished length from high point of shoulder to bottom edge: 22 ¼ (24) inches

Finished neck circumference: 17 (19 1/2) inches

### NOTES

Sl1 (slip 1): Slip the first stitch of every row by slipping purlwise with the yarn in front, then bring the yarn to the back in order to work the next stitch. This makes a nice edge and will make the Attached I-cord simpler.

Sl1 wyib (slip 1 with yarn in back): Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back.

## WOVEN SLIP STITCH PATTERN

Row 1 (wrong side): Sl1, \*k1, sl1wyib, repeat from \* to last stitch, k1.

Row 2 (right side): Sl1, knit to end of row.

Row 3: Sl1, \*sl1wyib, k1, repeat from \* to last stitch, k1.

Row 4: Repeat Row 2.

Repeat Rows 1–4.

(The Woven Slip Stitch is worked over an even number of stitches.)

## PATTERN

Using larger circular needle, cast on 240 (264) stitches. Do not join.

## BEGIN

Work Woven Slip Stitch pattern (see Notes, above) until piece measures 7 (8) inches from cast on edge, ending with a wrong side row.

## ARMHOLES

Row 1 (right side): Sl1, k31 (35), [k2, p2] 9 (10) times, k2, k100 (108), [k2, p2] 9 (10) times, k2, k32 (36).

Row 2 (wrong side): Sl1, work 31 (35) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch pattern, [p2, k2] 9 (10) times, p2, work 100 (108) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch pattern, [p2, k2] 9 (10) times, p2, work 32 (36) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch Pattern.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 10 (11) inches from cast on edge, ending with a Row

2. (Because the ribbing portion of the Armhole has a different row gauge than the Woven Slip Stitch pattern, please measure the length over a section of only Woven Slip Stitch pattern).

Next Row (right side): Sl1, k31 (35), k2, p2, bind off 30 (34) stitches, p2 (first purl stitch is last stitch from bind off), k2, k100 (108), k2, p2, bind off 30 (34) stitches, p2, k2, k32 (36). [180 (196) stitches]

Next Row (wrong side): Sl1, work 31 (35) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch pattern, p2, k2, turn and cable cast on 29 (33) stitches, turn, pick up and knit 1 stitch from row below (where bound off stitches began), k2, p2, work 100 (108) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch pattern, p2, k2, turn and cable cast on 29 (33) stitches, turn, pick up and knit 1 stitch from row below (where bound off stitches began), k2, p2, work 32 (36) stitches in Woven Slip Stitch pattern. [240 (264) stitches]

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 13 (14) inches from cast-on edge, ending with a Row 2.

## DECREASE FOR YOKE AND INCREASE FOR FRONT OVERLAP

Row 1 (right side): Sl1, k31 (35), place marker (pm), k58 (62), pm, k60 (68), pm, k58 (62), pm, k32 (36).

Row 2 (wrong side): Work in Woven Slip Stitch pattern to end, slipping the markers as you come to them.

Yoke Decrease Row (right side): Sl1, [knit to 2 stitches before marker, k2tog, slip marker (sm), ssk] 4 times, knit to end. [8 stitches decreased]

Work 3 rows even in Woven Slip Stitch pattern.

Repeat the last 4 rows two more times, then repeat the Yoke Decrease Row once more. [208 (232) stitches: 28 (32) stitches before first marker and after fourth marker, 50 (54) stitches between first and second markers and third and fourth markers, 52 (60) stitches between second and third markers]

Work 1 row even in pattern.

Front Increase Row (right side): S11, knit into front and back (kfb), knit to last 2 stitches, kfb, k1. [2 stitches increased]

Work 1 row even in pattern, working new stitches into pattern.

Repeat the last 2 rows three more times, then repeat the Front Increase Row once more. [218 (242) stitches]

Work 3 rows even in pattern.

Next Row (right side): Repeat the Front Increase Row. [2 stitches increased]

Repeat the last 4 rows two more times. [224 (248) stitches]

Work 1 row even in pattern.

Next Row (right side): Repeat the Front Increase Row. [226 (250) stitches]

Work 3 rows even in pattern.

Next Row (right side): Repeat the Front Increase Row. [228 (252) stitches: 38 (42) stitches before first marker and after fourth marker, 50 (54) stitches between first and second markers and

third and fourth markers, 52 (60) stitches between second and third markers]

Work 1 row even in pattern.

Piece should now measure approximately 18 (19) inches from cast on edge.

Yoke Decrease Row (right side): S11, [knit to 2 stitches before marker, k2tog, sm, ssk] 4 times, knit to end. [8 stitches decreased]

Work 3 rows even in pattern.

Repeat the last 4 rows two (three) more times, then repeat the Yoke Decrease Row once more. [196 (212) stitches]

Work 1 row even in pattern.

Next Row (right side): Repeat the Yoke Decrease Row. [8 stitches decreased]

Work 1 row even in pattern.

Repeat the last 2 rows eight (nine) more times. [124 (132) stitches: 25 (27) stitches before first marker and after fourth marker, 24 stitches between first and second markers and third and fourth markers, 26 (30) stitches between second and third markers]

## SHAPE NECKLINE

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 20 stitches, (1 stitch remains on right needle from bind off), k2 (4), k2tog, sm, ssk, k20, k2tog, sm, ssk, k22 (26), k2tog, sm, ssk, k20, k2tog, sm, ssk, knit 23 (25). [96 (104) stitches]

Row 2 (wrong side): Bind off 20 stitches, work in Woven Slip Stitch pattern to end. [76 (84) stitches]

Row 3: Sl1, k1 (3), k2tog, sm, ssk, k18, k2tog, sm, ssk, k20 (24), k2tog, sm, ssk, k18, k2tog, sm, ssk, k2 (4). [68 (76) stitches]

Row 4: Sl1, k2tog, work in Woven Slip Stitch pattern to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1. [66 (74) stitches]

Row 5: Sl1, k1, [ssk] 0 (1) time, remove marker, k2tog, k16, k2tog, remove marker, ssk, k18 (22), k2tog, remove marker, ssk, k16, k2tog, remove marker, [ssk] 0 (1) time, k2. [60 (66) stitches]

Row 6: Sl1, k2tog, work in Woven Slip Stitch pattern to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1. [58 (64) stitches]

Row 7: Bind off all stitches.

## FINISH FRONT OPENING EDGE

With right side facing and using the double pointed needles, work a 4-stitch Attached I-cord along both front opening edges, picking up one stitch for every slipped front edge stitch, beginning at the neck edge for the left front and at the bottom edge for the right front.

Overlapping the right side over the left side, align the two 20-stitch bound off neck edges and pin them together.

## COLLAR

Using the smaller circular needle and with the right side facing you, rejoin yarn at center back neck edge. Pick up and knit 32 (36) stitches from

center back neck to front left neck, just before overlapped edges begin. Continue to pick up and knit 20 stitches across overlapped bound off edges, making sure to insert the needle through both bound off edges as you pick up each stitch, thus joining the two layers together. Pick up and knit another 32 (36) stitches along right neck edge, stopping when you reach the first stitch you picked up. [84 (92) stitches]

Place a marker and join to work in the round.

Round 1: \*K2, p2, repeat from \* to end of round

Repeat Round 1 until Collar measures 6 inches from picked up edge. Bind off loosely in pattern.

Weave in ends and block as desired.

Enjoy your City Cape!