



Button-up dog sweater

Taken from Knitted Dog Coats by Anna Tillman

MEASUREMENTS

To fit chest 41(44:51:56:67)cm; Knitted measurements around chest 41(44:51:56:67.5)cm; approximate length from centre back neck excluding collar 23.5 (24.5:30.5:34.5:44)cm.

MATERIALS

3(4:5:6:9) 50g balls of Rowan All Seasons Cotton in Cream/Organic 178. **Call 01484 681881 for stockists.**

Pair each size 4½mm and 5mm knitting needles.

5(7:9:9:12) 20mm diameter buttons.

TENSION

24 sts and 25 rows to 10cm over rib patt using 5mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg beginning; **cm** centimetres; **cont** continue; **dec** decrease; **fol** following; **inc** increase; **k** knit; **m1** make one st by picking up and working into back of loop lying between st just worked and next st; **p** purl; **patt** pattern; **rem** remaining; **rep** repeat; **RS** right side; **st(s)** stitch(es); **tbl** through back loop; **tog** together; **WS** wrong side; **y2rn** yarn round needle twice to make 2 sts

SWEATER

With 4½mm needles, cast on 98(106:122:134:162) sts. **1st rib row** (RS) P2, * k2, p2; rep from * to end. **2nd rib row** K2, * p2, k2; rep from * to end. Change to 5mm needles and work in patt as follows: **1st (buttonhole) row** (RS) * P2, k2; rep from * to last 6 sts, p1, p2tog, y2m, p2tog, p1. **2nd row** K2, [p1, k1] into y2m of previous row, k2, * p2, k2; rep from * to end. **3rd row** P2, * k2, p2; rep from * to end. **4th row** K2, * p2, k2; rep from

* to end. **5th to 10th rows** Rep 3rd and 4th rows 3 times more. Rep the last 10 rows until sweater measures approximately 13.5(13.5:17.5:21.5:29.5)cm from cast on edge, ending with a 2nd row.

Divide for leg holes

Left side Keeping patt correct throughout, work as follows: **Next row** (RS) Patt

25(25:29:33:41), k2tog, k1, turn and cont on these 27(27:31:35:43) sts only, leave rem sts on a spare needle. **Next row** P1, p2tog, * p2, k2; rep from * to end. 26(26:30:34:42) sts. **Next row** Cast off 2 sts, patt to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 23(23:27:31:39) sts. **Next row** P1, p2tog, patt to last 2 sts, p2tog. 21(21:25:29:37) sts. **Next row** Cast off 3 sts, patt to end. 18(18:22:26:34) sts. Work 4(6:8:10) rows in patt and dec 1 st at beg of 2nd and 4th of these rows. 16(16:20:24:32) sts. **Next row** P2, m1, patt to end. 17(17:21:25:33) sts. **Next row** Patt to last 3 sts, k1, m1, k2. 18(18:22:26:34) sts. **Next row** P2, m1, patt to end. 19(19:23:27:35) sts. Slip sts onto a holder, do NOT break yarn.

Chest section With RS facing, rejoin yarn to sts on spare needle, cast off 2, k2tog tbl, p1, [k2, p2] 2(4:6:7:8) times, k2, p1, k2tog, k1, turn and cont on these 16(24:32:36:40) sts only, leave rem sts on spare needle. **Next row** (WS) P1, p2tog, patt to last 3 sts, p2tog tbl, p1. 14(22:30:34:38) sts. **Next row** K1, k2tog tbl, patt to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 12(20:28:32:36) sts. Rep the first of the last 2 rows once more. 10(18:26:30:34) sts. Work 5(7:9:11) rows in patt. **Next row** P2, m1, patt to last 2 sts, m1, p2. 12(20:28:32:36) sts. **Next row** K2, m1, patt to last 2 sts, m1, k2. 14(22:30:34:38) sts. Rep the first of the last 2 rows once

again. 16(24:32:36:40) sts. Break yarn and leave sts on a holder.

Right side With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts on spare needle, cast off 2 sts, k2tog tbl, p1, [k2, p2] 6(6:7:8:10) times, k1, turn and cont on these 28(28:32:36:44) sts only, leave rem sts on spare needle. **Next row** (WS) Cast off 3 sts, patt to last 3 sts, p2tog tbl, p1. 24(24:28:32:40) sts. **Next row** K1, k2tog tbl, patt to last 2 sts, k2tog. 22(22:26:30:38) sts. Rep the first of the last 2 rows once again. 18(18:22:26:34) sts. Work 5(7:9:11) rows in patt, dec 1 st at beg of 2nd and 4th of these rows. 16(16:20:24:32) sts. **Next row** Patt to last 2 sts, m1, p2. 17(17:21:25:33) sts. **Next row** K2, m1, patt to end. 18(18:22:26:34) sts. Rep the first of the last 2 rows once more. 19(19:23:27:35) sts. Break yarn and leave sts on a holder.

Buttonband overlap With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts on spare needle and keeping patt correct throughout, cast off 12(12:12:12:20) sts, patt to end. 7 sts rem. Dec 1 st at end of next row. 6 sts. Cast off 3 sts at beg of next row. 3 sts. Dec 1 st at end of next row. Cast off rem 2 sts.

Join sections

With RS facing, and keeping patt correct throughout, [patt 17(17:21:25:33), m1, k2] from first holder, cast on 2 sts, [k2, m1, patt 12(20:28:32), m1, k2] from second holder, cast on 2 sts, [k2, m1, patt 17(17:21:25:33) sts] from 3rd holder. 62(70:86:98:118) sts. Work 1(3:5:7) rows in patt, so ending with a WS row.

Shape front

Place a marker at centre of row between centre 2 sts. **Next row** (RS) Patt to 2 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, k2tog, patt to end. 60(68:84:96:116) sts. **Next row** Patt to 2

sts before marker, p2tog, p2tog tbl, patt to end. 58(66:82:94:114) sts. Rep the last 2 rows 2 times more. 50(58:74:86:106) sts. **Next row** Patt to 4 sts before marker, [k2tog, k2tog tbl] twice, patt to end. 46(54:70:82:102) sts. **Next row** Patt to 4 sts before marker, [p2tog tbl, p2tog] twice, patt to end. 42(50:66:78:98) sts. Rep the last 2 rows 2 times more. 34(42:58:70:90) sts.

Left front Next row Patt to marker, turn and cont on these 17(21:29:35:45) sts only, leave rem sts on a spare needle. Cast off 3(4:9:9:10) sts at beg of next row. Cast off rem 14(17:20:26:35) sts.

Right front With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts and cont as follows: Cast off 3(4:9:9:10) sts at beg of next row. Cast off rem 14(17:20:26:35) sts.

COLLAR

Join front seam. With RS facing and 5mm needles, pick up and k30(32:36:40:48) sts down left side of neck, 30(32:36:40:48) sts up right side of neck, 12(12:12:12:20) sts across back neck and 6 sts down overlap. 78(82:90:98:122) sts. **1st rib row** (WS) K2, * p2, k2; rep from * to end. **2nd rib row** P2, * k2, p2; rep from * to end. These 2 rows form the rib patt. Rib 1 row. **Buttonhole row** P2, k2tog tbl, y2m, k2tog, patt to end. **Next row** Patt to last 4 sts, [p1, k1] into y2m, k2. Cont in rib working a buttonhole row on every 10th row until collar measures approximately 10(17:21:26:30)cm ending with the row following a buttonhole row. Cast off in patt.

TO MAKE UP

Do not press. Sew on buttons to correspond with buttonholes, making sure buttons are correctly positioned on collar for turn-back.