

Pops

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Made in America Yarns



Pops is inspired by the timeless styles worn by my grandmother and grandfather, now made modern! Worked bottom up, the loose and drapey bulky stripes knit up in no time at all, and the simple twisted stitch rib adds structure and a neat accent of color. Boxy vintage shaping and deep, relaxed armholes make this cozy vest a must-knit classic. A unisex vest is a perfect throw-on with jeans, cords, or velvet shorts, and you can personalize it by choosing your own 3 colors of American Lamb.

Finished Chest Sizes: Small (42") Medium/Large (46"- 48"), XLarge (52")

Skill level : Advanced Beginner

Sizing: Bust Size 32"S, (36"M, 40"L, 44 "XL) Size shown 36, worn with 4" of ease, model is a size 32" bust

Materials: One US size 13 straight needles, one set US 8, 24" circular needles, Tapestry Needle, Waste yarn

Yarn: Made in America Yarns American Lamb Color A (hem and trim): Olive Jar 1 (1, 2, 2) skeins Color B: Curry Powder 1 (1, 2, 2) skeins Color C: Pumpkin 1 (1, 2, 2) skeins

Gauge: In stockinette , 5.5 sts/ 6 rows = 2 inches

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Front, Section 1

With size US 13 needles, and using color A (Olive) and a long tail cast on, co 31 (41, 51, 61) sts.

Work 8 Rows in the foll patt:

R1: *p4, ktbl*, to last 4 sts, p4

R2: *k4, ptbl*, to last 4 sts, k4

8 rows total.

Begin to work in Stockinette Stripe color pattern.

On RS, all stitches are worked as k. On WS, all stitches are worked as p.

R1-6: Color B (Curry)

R7-8: Color C (Pumpkin)

R9-1: Color B

R11-16: Color C

R17-18: Color B

R19-20: Color C

Repeat this color sequence (rows 1-20) 3 times fully for sizes L and XL (60 rows plus 8 rows of ribbing).

For sizes S and M, repeat twice, then work rows 1-10 a final time. (50 rows plus 8 rows of ribbing)

It is now time to dive for your front. You will continue the stripe pattern (for S and M, begin with Color B, for L and XL, begin with color C)

Front, Section 2

Left Front:

R1: With RS facing, knit 13 (18, 23, 28), then k2tog, k1. Place all remaining stitches in this Row on waste yarn. You should have 15(20, 25, 30)sts on your needle and the same amount held aside for the right front.

R2: Turn and p back 15 (20, 25, 30)sts

R3: Bind off 4, (4, 5, 5) sts, then k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 10 (15, 19, 24)sts

R4: Turn and p back

R5: k, ssk, k to last 3sts, K2tog, K1

R6: p

Change yarn

R7: k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k

R8: p

Change yarn

R9-10: as 7 and 8

Continue to work as rows 7 and 8, until you have 8 (12, 14, 16) stitches remaining. At this point, work in stockinette until you have completed 26 (26, 30, 30) rows from where you divided for your front.

Change to color A (Olive) Work 8 rows in stockinette and bo with rs facing.

Right Front:

Attach yarn at front center and place all remaining stitches from waste yarn on needles. You should have 15(20, 25, 30) sts on your needle.

R1: k, ssk, k to end

R2: Turn and p back 15 (20, 25, 30)sts

R3: k1, ssk, then k to end

R4: Bind off 4, (4, 5, 5) stitches and p to end. 10 (15, 19, 24)sts

R5: k, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

R6: p

Change yarn

R7: K, ssk, k to end

R8: p

Change yarn

R9-10: as rows 7 and 8

Continue to work as rows 7 and 8 until you have 8 (12, 14, 16) stitches remaining. At this point, work in stockinette until you have completed 26 (26, 30, 30) rows from where you divided for your front.

Change to color A (Olive) Work 8 rows in stockinette and bo with rs facing.



Back Section 1

Using color A and size 13 needles, begin the back. Work back as you did the front for all of Section 1 only.

Back, Section 2

Continuing to work in color stripe pattern throughout back section 2

R1-2: work in stockinette

R3-4: bo 4 (4,5,5)sts k to end. 23 (33, 41, 51)sts

R5: k1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. 21 (31, 40, 50)sts

R6: p

R7-8: work in stockinette

Continue to work instockinette until you have worked 26 (26, 30, 30)rows in this section, making sure to continue stripe colors. You should finish with the same color as your front. Now, change to Color A.

Back, Section 3

Using Color A only

R1: k8 (12, 14, 16) and place on waste yarn, bo 5 (5, 12, 18), k8 (12, 14, 16)sts

R2: Purl back across 8 (12, 14, 16)sts

R3-8: work in stockinette

R9: bind off (rs facing)

Reattach yarn where you bound off the center sts
With ws facing, purl back across these 8 (12, 14, 16) sts

R2-8: work in stockinette

BO with rs facing

Blocking

Lightly dampen pieces and block to gauge. Do not pin, just shape gently. Gauge will seem open.

Making Up

With right sides facing out, use a mattress stitch to seam the sides of your garment. Each side should have it's own seam that begins at the bottom hem and sews upward to the armhole.

Then, with both right sides facing together, seam each front shoulder strap to its respective back shoulder strap. Weave in ends.

Armhole Finishing

Using size 8 circls, begin at underarm seam and Pick up and k 90(90, 110, 110)sts around armhole (one stitch for every horizontal row).

Knit 3 additional rows (4 rows total) and bo.
Repeat for other side.

Neckline Finishing

Starting at one stitch to the left of the center front with the sweater facing you, Pick up and *p4, ktbl* 75 (75, 80, 85) sts around the neckline, picking up the last stitch directly in center of V.

R1: *p4, ktbl* to last 5 stitches, then p4, replace stitch on rh needle, s2kpsso (centered double decrease)

R2: p3, ktbl, *p4, ktbl* to last 4 stitches, p3, replace stitch on RH needle, s2kpsso

R3: P2, Ktbl, *P4, ktbl* to last 3 stitches, P2, replace stitch on RH needle, s2kpsso

R4: P, Ktbl, *P4, ktbl* to last 2 stitches, P, replace stitch on RH needle, s2kpsso

R5: Ktbl, *P4, ktbl* to end, replace stitch on Rh needle, s2kpsso

Bind off.

Break yarn and weave in ends. Enjoy your new vest!

