

Concrete

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Yarn: American Lamb Bulky, Color Granite 500, (550, 640, 770) yds

Needles: One US size 10 DPN's , one set US 10, 24" circular needles

Gauge: 5.5 sts/ 8 rows = 2 inches unblocked stockinette st.

Finished Bust Size: 32" [S], (36" [M], 40" [L], 44" [XL])

Special Skills: Disappearing Loop Cast-on
<http://techknitting.blogspot.com/2007/02/casting-on-from-middle-disappearing.html>

Back, Section 1

(All sizes) With size US 10 DPN's, and using a disappearing loop CO cast on 12 sts. and join in the round.

Rnd 1: Knit all sts.

Rnd 2: *K1, M1R, pm, K2, pm, M1L,* rep, knitting all rem sts after final marker to end of rnd

Rnds 3, and 5: K

Rnd 4: *K to marker, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L* rep to end

Rnd 6: *P to marker, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L* rep, purling all rem sts after final marker to end of rnd

Rnd 7: *P to marker, P1, K2, P1* rep, purling all rem sts after final marker to end of rnd

Rnd 8-13: as Rnds 2-3

Rnds 14-15: as Rnds 6-7

Rnds 16-23: as Rnds 2-3

Rnds 24-25: as Rnds 6-7

Now, working as you did for Rnds 2-3 work 4 (10, 16, 22) more rnds.

[For sizes L and XL, work the 12 and 13th rnd as you did rnds 6-7, then continue to work all remaining rnds as you did 2-3] For a total of 29 (35, 41, 47) rnds.

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Concrete is a vest for the urban explorer, inspired by the architecture and gridlines of Philadelphia. Worked from the back center out, with folded hemmed lapels for extra warmth and thickness, and finished with a raw rolled edge, this simple rectangle creates dynamic front points and can be worn open or pinned with crossover styling. Made in America Yarns American Lamb adds just the right weight and depth to this softly structured piece!



Section 2

Your back piece should now measure approx. 14" (17.5", 20", 23") across the back width.

Work the sleeve division rnd: K to first marker, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L, K to 30 stitches before the second set of markers, bind off 25, turn work and cast on 25 using a knitted cast on. Turn work and knit remaining 5 sts before marker, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L, K to next marker, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L, K5, BO 25, turn work and cast on 25, turn work and continue knitting to last set of markers, M1R, slm, K2, slm, M1L, k all rem sts in rnd.

Now, work 4 rnds as you did Rnds 2-3, and 2 rnds as you did Rnds 6-7.

Work 2 more rnds as you did Rnds 2-3.

Work a final rnd as you did Rnd 6.

Bind off purl-wise all around work.

Front Flaps

Starting at the corner of your square at the stitch before where you made your first M1L, Pick up and knit one stitch for every bound off stitch until you reach the first knit stitch after your second M1R. Turn work and purl back across these stitches.

Work these stitches in stockinette for 6 (8, 10, 12) inches. Then, with RS facing, knit 3 rows. This will create a folding hemline to double your front fabric.

Continue to work the front piece another 6 (8, 10, 12) inches. Then, using a DPN or third needle, pick up stitches from where you began your front flaps (the same number of stitches as you have live on your current needle, and use a 3 needle bind off to close the hemmed front flap.

Repeat this process for the other front flap, beginning your pickup on the stitch before your 3rd M1L and ending on the stitch after your 4th M1R. Flaps should be on either side of your main square, creating a rectangle shape.



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Neckline and Hemline Finishing

Neckline: Beginning at one corner of your rectangle and with WS facing, pick up one stitch per row on either side of your hemmed over front flap, then pick up one stitch per bound off stitch along the edge of your main square, then pick up a stitch on either side of your other hemmed front flap. turn work

(RS) Purl one row.

(WS) Knit one row.

Do this until you have worked 5 rows, then BO purling.

Hemline: on opposite edge as neckline, pick up all stitches as you did for neckline. Work as you did neckline edge until you have worked 7 rows and have a RS facing, then BO purling.

Do not block.

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

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