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A feminine, kimono style wrap over cardigan in a diamond stitch inspired by Pythagoras' theorem, with 2 x 2 rib hem and garter stitch tie to side.

measurements

	s	m	l	xl
to fit chest	81-86cm 32-34in	91-96cm 36-38in	101-106cm 40-42in	111-116cm 44-46in
finished chest	96cm 38in	106cm 42in	116cm 46in	126cm 50in
length	52cm 20½in	54cm 21¼in	55cm 21¾in	58cm 22¾in
sleeve seam	34cm 13½in	36cm 14¼in	38cm 15in	42cm 16½in

materials

yarn: erika knight gossypium cotton
100% cotton approx.100m/109yds -
50g/1¾oz ball

quantity: 10(11:13:14) balls

(colour shown in photo: Bobcat)

4mm/US 6 needles

approx. 20cm/8in of black ribbon

large eyed blunt tipped sewing needle

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on
average requirements and are approximate.

tension/gauge

21 sts and 27 rows to 10cm/4in square meas
over the garter diamond patt using 4mm/
US 6 needles. Change needle size if
necessary to ensure the correct tension.

abbreviations

beg begin(ning); **cm** centimetre;
cont continue(s)(ing); **dec** decrease;
folll(s) follow(s)(ing); **inc** increasing; **k** knit;
K2tog knit 2 sts together; **meas** measures;
M1P make one purlwise; **p** purl;
patt pattern; **pm** place marker;
rem remain(ing); **rep** repeat; **RS** right side;
sk2po slip 1 st, K2tog, pass slipped st over
(2 st dec); **sm** slip marker; **ssk** slip 2 sts

(separately) knit them together from right
hand needle; **st(s)** stitch(es); **St st** stocking/
stockinette stitch; **WS** wrong side

make

back

Cast on 106(114:126:134) sts.

Now work in rib as folls:

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

Row 2: k2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Cont in rib until work meas approx.

2.25cm/1in from cast on edge ending with
WS facing.

1st and 2nd sizes only:

Next row (WS): p2tog, p to end.

105(113:-:-) sts

3rd and 4th sizes only:

Next row (WS): [p2tog, p(-:23:25)] four
times, p2tog, p24. -(-:121:129) sts

all sizes:

105(113:121:129) sts

Now work in garter diamond patt as folls:

Row 1 (RS): k4, *p1, k7; rep from * to last
5 sts, p1, k4.

Row 2: p3, *k1, p1, k1, p5; rep from * to last
6 sts, k1, p1, k1, p3.

Row 3: k2, *p1, k3; rep from * to last 3 sts,
p1, k2.

Row 4: p1, *k1, p5, k1, p1; rep from * to end



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Row 5: *p1, k7; rep from * to last st, p1.

Row 6: as row 4.

Row 7: as row 3.

Row 8: as row 2.

These 8 rows repeated form garter diamond patt.

Cont in garter diamond patt until work meas approx. 52(54:55:58)cm/
20½(21¼:21¾:22¾)in from cast on edge ending with RS facing.

shoulder shaping

Cast/bind off 11(12:13:14) sts at beg of next 4 rows. 61(65:69:73) sts

Cast/bind off 12(14:14:16) sts at beg of next 2 rows. 37(37:41:41) sts

Now work 3 rows of knit ending with WS facing.

Cast/bind off knit-wise.

right front

Cast on 114(126:138:146) sts.

Now work in rib as folls:

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

Row 2: k2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Cont in rib until work measures approx. 2.25cm/1in from cast on edge ending with WS facing.

1st and 3rd size only:

Next row (WS): p3(-:17:-), [p2tog, p33(-:32:-)] three times, p2tog, p4(-:17:-). 110(-:134:-) sts

2nd size only:

Next row (WS): p.

4th size only:

Next row (WS): p1, m1P, [p48, m1P] three times, p1. -(-:150) sts

all sizes:

110(126:134:150) sts **

Now work in garter diamond patt with decs and garter edging as folls:

Row 1 (RS): k4, *p1, k7; rep from * to last 10 sts, p1, k5. k2tog, k2. 109(125:133:149) sts

Row 2: p7, *k1, p1, k1, p5; rep from * to last 6 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1, k2.

Row 3: k2, *p1, k3; rep from * to last 7 sts, p1, k2, k2tog, k2. 108(124:132:148) sts

Row 4: p4, *k1, p5, k1, p1; rep from * to last 8 sts, k1, p5, k2.

Row 5: k8, *p1, k7; rep from * to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. 107(123:131:147) sts

Beg with a WS row and keeping garter diamond patt with garter edging correct throughout cont working as set above (k2tog) decreasing every RS row until 47(63:67:75) sts rem ending with RS facing.

shoulder shaping

Keeping patt correct throughout, WHILST casting off the correct amount of sts and also decreasing as folls:

1st size only:

Cast/bind off 15 sts, work as folls: k2, [k2tog, k1] four times, k2, work in patt to end.

(11 sts at cast/bind off edge) 32 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 16 sts, work as folls: [k2tog, k2] four times, k1, work in patt to end.

(12 sts at cast/bind off edge) 16 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 16 sts, work as folls: [k2tog, k2] four times, fasten off.

(12 sts at cast/bind off edge)

2nd size only:

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls: [k1, k2tog, k1, sk2po] three times, k1, patt to end.

(12 sts at cast/bind off edge) 42 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls: [k1, k2tog] seven times, k1, patt to end.

(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 21 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls: [k1, k2tog] seven times, fasten off.

(14 sts at cast/bind off edge)

3rd size only:

Cast/bind off 23 sts, work as folls:

[sk2po, k1] five times, k4, patt to end.

(13 sts at cast/bind off edge) 44 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 22 sts, work as folls: k3, [sk2po, k1] four times, k4, patt to end.

(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 22 sts

Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 22 sts, work as folls: k3,

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[sk2po, k1] four times, k3, fasten off.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge)

4th size only:

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls:

[sk2po, k1] five times, k2tog, k4, patt to end.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 50 sts
Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k2tog, k5, patt to end.
(16 sts at cast/bind off edge) 25 sts
Work WS row.

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k2tog, k4, fasten off.
(16 sts at cast/bind off edge)

left front

Work as for right front to **

Now work in garter diamond patt with decs
and garter edging as folls:

Row 1 (RS): k2, ssk, k5, *p1, k7; rep from *
to last 5 sts, p1, k4. 109(125:133:149) sts

Row 2: k2, [p1, k1] twice, *p5, k1, p1, k1;
rep from * to last 7 sts, p7.

Row 3: k2, ssk, k2, *p1, k3; rep from *
to last 3 sts, p1, k2. 108(124:132:148) sts

Row 4: k2, p5, k1, *p1, k1, p5, k1; rep from *
to last 4 sts, p4.

Row 5: k2, ssk, *k7, p1; rep from * to last
8 sts, k8. 107(123:131:147) sts

Beg with a WS row and keeping garter
diamond patt with garter edging correct
throughout continue working as set
above (ssk) decreasing every RS row until
47(63:67:75) sts rem ending with WS facing.

shoulder shaping

Keeping patt correct throughout, WHILST
casting off the correct amount of sts and
also decreasing as folls:

1st size only:

Cast/bind off 15 sts, work as folls: k2,
[k2tog, k1] four times, k2, work in patt to
end. (11 sts at cast/bind off edge) 32 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 16 sts, work as folls: [k2tog, k2]
four times, k1, work in patt to end.
(12 sts at cast/bind off edge) 16 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 16 sts, work as folls: [k2tog, k2]
four times, fasten off.

(12 sts at cast/bind off edge)

2nd size only:

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls:

[k1, k2tog, k1, sk2po] three times, k1, patt
to end. (12 sts at cast/bind off edge) 42 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls: [k1, k2tog]
seven times, k1, patt to end.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 21 sts

Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 21 sts, work as folls: [k1, k2tog]
seven times, fasten off.

(14 sts at cast/bind off edge)

3rd size only:

Cast/bind off 23 sts, work as folls:

[sk2po, k1] five times, k4, patt to end.
(13 sts at cast/bind off edge) 44 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 22 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k4, patt to end.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 22 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 22 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k3, fasten off.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge)

4th size only:

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls: [sk2po,
k1] five times, k2tog, k4, patt to end.
(14 sts at cast/bind off edge) 50 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k2tog, k5, patt to end.
(16 sts at cast/bind off edge) 25 sts
Work RS row.

Cast/bind off 25 sts, work as folls: k3,
[sk2po, k1] four times, k2tog, k4, fasten off.
(16 sts at cast/bind off edge)

sleeves (make 2)

Cast on 42(42:50:50) sts.

Now work in rib as folls:

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

Row 2: p2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Cont in rib until work meas approx.
2.5cm/1in from cast on edge ending with
RS facing.

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Now work in St st as folls:

Row 1 (RS): k.

Row 2: p.

Cont in St st **WHILST** inc 1 st at each end of next and then every foll 6th row 14 times more. (15 inc rows in total) 72(72:80:80) sts

Now work straight without shaping until sleeve meas approx. 34(36:38:42)cm/ 13½(14¼:15:16½)in from cast on edge ending with RS facing.

Cast/bind off.

ties (make 2)

Cast on 6 sts.

Now work in garter st as folls:

Row 1: k.

This row rep forms garter st.

Cont in garter st until tie measures approx. 12cm/4¾in ending with RS facing.

Cast/bind off.

finish

Press/block all garment pieces. Join both shoulder seams. Join centre of each sleeve cast/bind off to shoulder seam on body and sew sleeve approx. 18(18:20:20)cm/7(7:8:8)in down each side of shoulder seam. Now join side and sleeve seams. Sew first tie to rib on right front. Lay garment flat and then sew second tie to side seam of left front where the right front tie, meets the left seam. Now sew 12cm/4¾in of black ribbon to the rib of left seam and then a second piece of 12cm/4¾in black ribbon on the inside of the garment at right side seam.



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