

4 & 6 needles



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MAN'S SWEATER, Brooks Type

Equipment Needed:

Yarn—4/8, about 1½ to 1¾ pounds of any color not too bright.

Needles—two needles to fit the Red Cross Needle Gauge for heavy sweaters. Gauges available from Headquarters. Needles slightly smaller may be used to advantage for ribbing.

Scale:

5 stitches to the inch, 6 rows to the inch. Make a sample to determine whether or not your scale is the same as that given. If not, adjust the knitting directions to your own knitting by casting on fewer or more stitches depending on whether you knit loosely or tightly. The sample of your knitting is also necessary because the yarn may vary slightly, making adjustments necessary in the number of stitches cast on.

General Instructions:

Always join new yarn at end of row. Never knot or splice yarn in middle of row.

These knitting directions are given as a guide. Other simple sweater instructions may be used so long as the garment is the proper size and of correct proportions.

These instructions may be varied by using a circular needle (adjusting the directions accordingly), using four needles for making the cuffs, and other changes desired by the individual knitter, so long as the finished garment is accurate.

Measurements:

Small—Chest 35 inches, Length 24 inches. Sleeve Length 21 inches.

Medium—Chest 39 inches, Length 24½ inches, Sleeve Length 22 inches.

Large—Chest 43 inches, Length 25½ inches, Sleeve Length 23 inches.

Instructions for Making:

	Small	Medium	Large	
Front—Cast on	88	96	108	stitches
Work in ribbing of K 2, P 2 for	2½	2½	2½	inches
If smaller needles were used for ribbing, change to the larger size needles and work in stockinette stitch (with the exception of first and last two stitches in row which should be knit (garter stitch) to form a neat underarm seam) for				
Knit 1st	13½	13½	13½	inches
and slip on stitch holder.	9	9	9	stitches
Knit	70	78	90	stitches
Slip on stitch holder the last	9	9	9	stitches
Continue in stockinette stitch (with the exception of the first and last 2 stitches of row which should be knit as at underarm) on remaining				
	70	78	90	stitches
				(OVER)

	<i>Small</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Large</i>	
for	6	7	8	inches
ending in purled row.				
For first shoulder knit.....	21	24	29	stitches
K 2 together. K 1. Put remaining stitches on stitch holder. P 21, K 2.				
Decrease by knitting together the 2d and 3d stitches from neck on next 3 knit rows, ending at neck.				
On the	20	23	28	stitches
left on needle knit (12 rows).....	6	6	6	ridges
in garter stitch, ending at neck. Break off yarn.				
Slip these stitches on stitch holder.				
Leave	22	24	26	stitches
on stitch holder for front of neck.				
Slip last	24	27	32	stitches
on needle and work like first shoulder, ending at armhole.				
K 2, P 18. Cast on (for back of neck).....	30	32	34	stitches
and on next row purl	18	21	26	stitches
from other stitch holder on same needle. Knit.....	2	2	2	stitches
Work in stockinette stitch on.....	70	78	90	stitches
for	7	8	9	inches
Cast on at each end of next row.....	9	9	9	stitches
<i>Back</i> —Same as front.				
Bind off loosely, knitting the knit stitches and purling the purled stitches.				
<i>Sleeve</i> —Pick up and knit around armhole.....	80	90	100	stitches
Knit in stockinette stitch (making same border as underarm) for	2	2	2	inches
Decrease at both ends of every 4th row by knitting together 3d and 4th stitches from end.....	20	23	26	times
Knit even until sleeve measures from start.....	18	19	20	inches
There should be.....	40	44	48	stitches
before starting cuff. If there are extra stitches take them off in last row before starting cuff.				
Work ribbing of K 2, P 2, for.....	3	3	3	inches
Bind off loosely, knitting the knit stitches and purling the purled stitches.				
<i>Neck</i> —On back of neck pick up and knit.....	30	32	34	stitches
Knit 2, Purl 2 for	6	6	6	rows
Bind off very loosely. Pick up and knit stitches from each shoulder and front of neck	72	76	80	stitches
(Note: You may use 4 needles and pick up the entire neck stitches at one time and K 2, P 2 for 6 rows, if you prefer.)				
Knit 2, Purl 2 for 6 rows. Bind off <i>very loosely</i> , knitting the knit and purling the purled stitches.				
Neck should measure at least 22 inches around.				
Sew up neck and sides.				
Press with warm iron and damp cloth.				

Chapter Label—Should be sewed inside the back at top of sweater. Either indicate size on label or add tag showing size.

DIRECTIONS FOR FOLDING AND BUNDLING

Straighten sweater on table, fold sleeves inward, fold and tie securely in bundles of five. Each bundle should be marked, indicating the number of garments of each size.

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