



This cardigan is knit all in one piece from the top down. There are no seams, very little sewing and no closures to sew on. I love to sew, just not after all that knitting. It seems that it takes just as long to sew as it does to knit, so let's make it "Seamlessly Simple™".

Material list - Worsted Weight –
 Cascade Yarn 220 Superwash Gauge: 5 sts =1 inch

| Main color- (A) | 6mo | 12mo | 2 yr | 4 yr | 6 yr | 8 yr | 10 yr | 12 yr |
|-----------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Skeins | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Yardage* ¹ | | | 370 | 500 | 620 | 750 | 800 | 950 |

- Second Color (B) -1 skein
- Size 7- Circular needles (two pairs) 24" or 36" cord for larger sizes
- 2 stitch holders/extra yarn
- Row counter or pencil/paper
- Yarn needle-Just to weave in any loose ends of yarn
- Stitch Markers- 8 (I prefer markers that clip on, that have some type of way of opening)
- Small crochet hook- small enough to fit through your button shank hole
- 4 or 5 shank buttons (if it has a design on it, the hole in the button should go from side to side when the design is facing you upright).

♥ Note: When adding a new skein of yarn, always do so at the end of a row or when knitting the sleeve add it under the arm.

Instructions

Body- you will be working back and forth over the body of the cardigan using one circular needle

Cast on stitches using Main color (A) as listed on chart

| Size | 6mo | 12mo | 2 yr | 4 yr | 6 yr | 8 yr | 10 yr | 12 yr |
|---------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Cast-on | 42 | 44 | 48 | 50 | 54 | 58 | 64 | 68 |

Neckband-

Row 1 - Knit 1, purl 1 (rib)

Row 2 - k1, p1 (rib)

Row 3 - Change to Color (B) *knit 1, purl* 1 to end

Row 4 -This may seem strange but slide the stitches along the cord from one needle to the other needle, pick up color (A) and knit the knit stitch, purl the purl stitch on this row

Row 5 - Using color (B), pick up yarn knit 1, purl 1 to end

Row 6 - Repeat Row 4

¹ *Craft Yarn Council of America Standards & Guidelines for Knitting and Crochet

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The Short Row Wrap Stitch ♥ Note-see details in the Stitch Guides at end of pattern.

- place your yarn in the front of the work as if to purl,
- Slide (slip) the stitch on the left needle to the right needle
- Place your yarn to the back of the work as if to knit
- Slide (slip) that same stitch back to the left hand needle.
You have wrapped a stitch
- Turn - Switch your needles to the opposite hands



Mariposa Method

Many people use two circular needles to knit. I call this the **Mariposa Method** because the needles look like butterfly wings in the resting position. One portion of the stitches are knit on one circular needle and the other portion of stitches are knit on the other circular needle. You are now knitting in the "round". At this point we will refer to "rounds" not "rows"

You knit each portion of stitches using the two needle tips of one circular needle. Once you finish knitting the stitches on the "round" of one circular needle you put that circular needle down and take the other other circular needle to knit and complete the round. You are not moving the stitches between circular needles.

♥ Note: When you make the change from one circular to the next, knit the first stitch a little more tightly and pull your yarn a bit, this will prevent gaps between the stitches

From this point on you will:

- Knit around until you begin the cuff
- Refer to the "round" not "row"
- Use Stitch markers to guide you in decreasing.
- Decreases sleeve stitches under the arm

♥ Note: If having 2 circular needles at one time gets confusing.....

