**INSTRUCTIONS**

Note: St number will vary throughout pattern.

Cast on 37 sts.
Knit 4 rows (garter st) noting first row is WS.


Proceed in pat as follows:

5th row: K3. P2. *Insert RH needle from front of work into center dec st from 3rd row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P3. Insert cable needle or crochet hook into front of same center dec st from 3rd row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P1. Rep from * to last 4 sts. P1. K3. 45 sts.
8th row: As 6th row.
10th row: K3. P2. *Insert RH needle from front of work into center dec st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P1. *Insert RH needle from front of work into center dec st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P3. Insert cable needle or crochet hook into front of same center dec st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P1. Rep from * to last 6 sts. Insert RH needle from front of work into K2tog st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P3. K3. 45 sts.
11th row: K3. P3. Insert cable needle or crochet hook into front of ssk st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P1. *Insert RH needle from front of work into center dec st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P3. Insert cable needle or crochet hook into front of same center dec st from 9th row and draw up a loose loop. Place this loop on RH needle. P3. K3. 45 sts.
12th row: As 2nd row.

Rep these 12 rows for pat until work from beg measures approx 8½” [21.5 cm], ending with a 2nd row of pat. 45 sts.

Knit 4 rows (garter st).
Cast off knitwise (WS).