Sleeveless Cable Sweater

SIZE
Small (Medium, Large, Extra-Large)

INTERMEDIATE

MATERIALS
Beregre Coton Fifty:
23165 Escarlate—5 (6, 6, 7) balls
Needles:
US size 1 (2.25mm) needles
US size 2 (3.25mm) needles or size to obtain gauge
US size 4 (3.5mm) needles
Notions: Stitch markers, cable needle

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GAUGE
27 sts and 27 rows over Astrakhan st = 4" (10.2cm) with size 2 (3.25mm) needles
To achieve a good result, it is essential to make a gauge square.

STITCH GUIDE
3 sts in 1: K1, without dropping the st from the left-hand needle, p1, k1 into the same st, drop the st from the left-hand needle.
Slip 1: Sl 1 purlwise with yarn at back of work.
CR = Right cross
CL = Left cross
6CL: Sl 3 sts onto cn at front of work, k3, k3 from cn.
12CL: Sl 6 sts onto cn at front of work, k6, k6 from cn.
12CR: Sl6 sts onto cn at back of work, k6, k6 from cn.

Astrakhan st:
(With size 2 needles, over a number of sts divisible by 4 + 2)
Rows 1 and 3 (RS): Purl.
Row 2: k1, *3 sts in 1, p3tog; rep from *, ending with k1.
Row 4: k1, *p3tog, 3 sts in 1; rep from *, ending with k1.
Rep Rows 1-4.

INSTRUCTIONS
Back
With size 1 needles, cast on 113 (121, 133, 145) sts.
Row 1: *K1, p1; rep from * to last st, k1.
Row 2: *P1, k1; rep from * to last st, p1.
These 2 rows form 1/1 rib; rep until you have worked 12 rows, but on the final row inc 1 st—114 (122, 134, 146) sts.
Change to size 2 needles.
Cont in Astrakhan st until work measures 10½ (11, 11, 11½)" [27 (28, 28, 29)cm] total.
Bind off.

Front
Work the same as for Back.

Yoke
This is started half way across the Back. Using size 4 needles and a different colored yarn, cast on 55 sts.
Using COTON FIFTY, follow the Cable pattern from the Chart on page 2, working the short row shaping as indicated.

Start of Left Armhole:
When work measures 8 (8¾, 9¾, 10½)" [20.3 (22.2, 24.5, 27)cm] or 58 (62, 70, 76) rows total measured down the left-hand edge (the side with 5 sts in Rev St st), sl a st marker in the last st to mark the end of the back half and the start of the armhole (see diagram on page 2). Cont in Cable pattern.

End of Left Armhole:
When work measures 18¼ (19¾, 22¼, 24¾)" [46.5 (50.5, 56.5, 64)cm] or 134 (146, 162, 178) rows total measured down the left-hand edge, sl a st marker in the last st to mark the end of the armhole and the start of the Front, then cont in the Cable pattern.

Start of Right Armhole:
When work measures 34½ (37½, 41½, 46)" [87.5 (95.5, 105.5, 117)cm] or 250 (270, 302, 334) rows total measured down the left-hand edge, sl a st marker in the last st to mark the end of the Front and the start of the armhole, then cont in Cable pattern.

End of Right Armhole:
When work measures 44¾ (48½, 54¼, 60¼)" or [113.5 (123.5, 127.5, 153)cm] or 326 (354, 394, 436) rows total measured down the left-hand edge, sl a st marker in the last st to mark the end of the armhole and the start of the second Back-half, then cont in the Cable pattern.
When work measures 52¾ (57½, 63¾, 70¾)" [134 (146, 162, 180)cm] or 384 (416, 464, 512) rows total measured down the left-hand edge, bind off all the sts.

Finishing:
Using a size 4 needle, pick up and knit 57 (63, 69, 77) sts around each armhole (blue lines on the diagram), then bind off all the sts knitwise on the WS of work.
Using a size 4 needle, pick up and knit 172 (188, 209, 231) sts around the neck (orange lines on the diagram), then cast off all the sts knitwise on the WS of work.
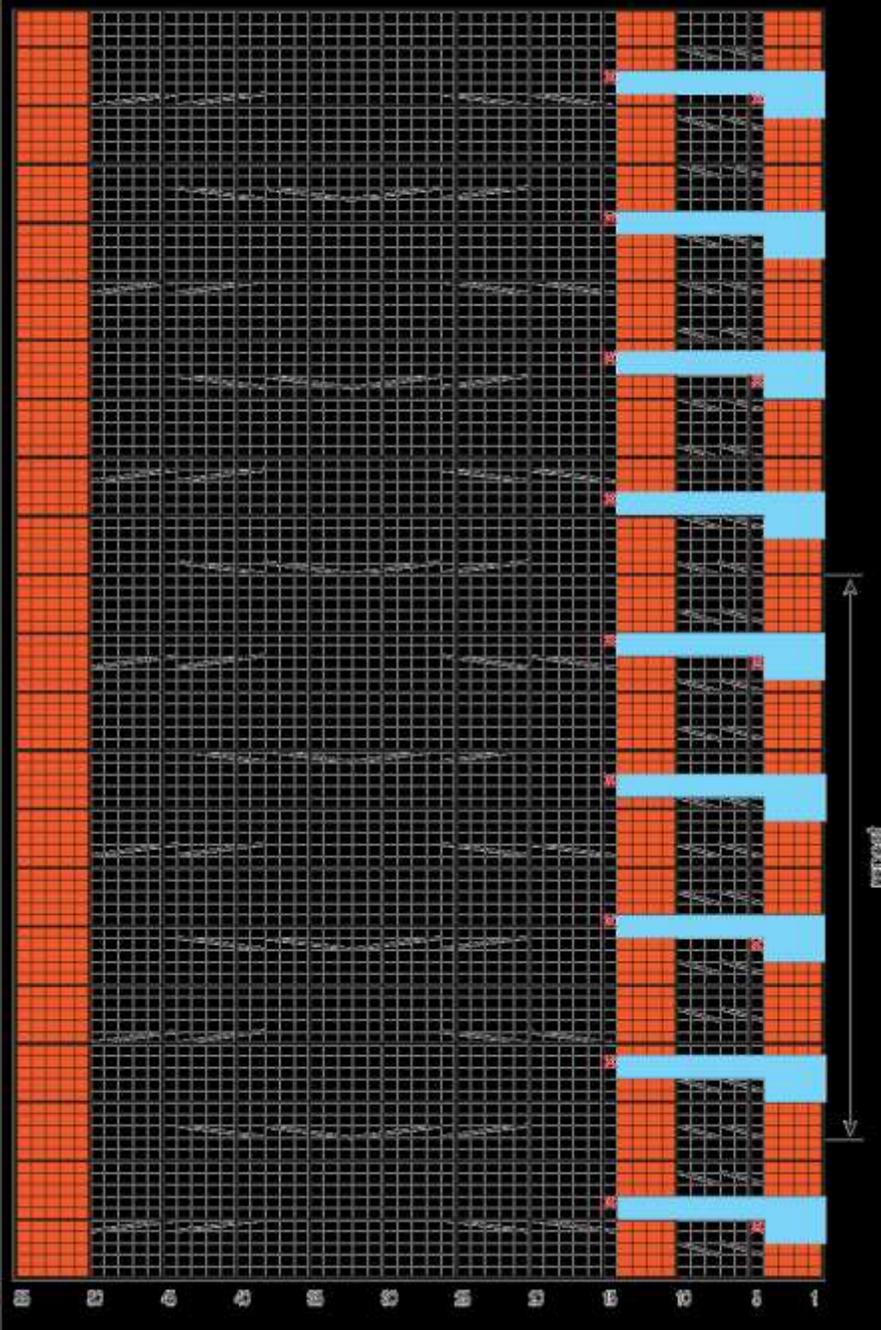Graft together the short seams of the yoke (red lines on the diagram).
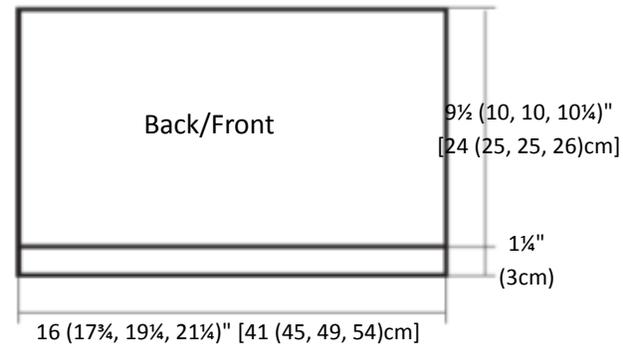Join the top of the Back and the Front to the yoke.
Sew the side seams of the sweater.
Secure and weave in all ends.

CABLE PATTERN

Legend:
- ■ = p1 on RS, k1 on WS
- □ = k1 on RS, p1 on WS
- ■ = short row shaping (blue)
- ⌧ = 1 sl st
- ⟋⟋⟋⟋ = 6CL
- ⟋⟋⟋⟋⟋⟋ = 12CL
- ⟍⟍⟍⟍⟍⟍ = 12CR

repeat

Back/Front

9½ (10, 10, 10¼)"
[24 (25, 25, 26)cm]

1¼"
(3cm)

16 (17¾, 19¼, 21¼)" [41 (45, 49, 54)cm]

⊙ = stitch marker

Abbreviations

cn: cable needle
cont: continue
inc: increase
k: knit
p: purl
sl: slip
st/sts: stitch/stitches
p3tog: purl 3 together
rep: repeat
Rev St st: reverse Stockinette stitch (p on RS, k on WS)
RS: Right Side

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