



# Ultra Pima Fine Summer Breeze







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Borrowing from the lingerie drawer, this cool summer top is romanticism at its best. The bodice is worked first, then a coordinating lace border is worked sideways across the lower edge. Wide eyelet straps form the overlapping yoke.

#### **Skill Level**

Experienced

#### Size

Woman's extra-small (small, medium, large) Instructions are given for smallest size, with larger sizes in parentheses. When only 1 number is given, it applies to all sizes. Model shown in size medium.

# **Finished Measurements**

Chest: 34 (36, 40, 44)"

Length: 19 (19½, 21, 21½)"

#### **Materials**

Ultra Pima Fine (100% Pima cotton) 50g/136.7 yds per hank: 4 (5, 6, 7) hanks #3731 Soft Blue

Size 3 (3.25mm) 29" circular needle or size needed to obtain gauge

Size 4 (3.5mm) 29" circular needle

Size F/5 (3.75mm) crochet hook

Stitch holders and markers

# Gauge

24 sts x 30 rows = 4" in St st with smaller ndls

25 sts x 28 rows = 4" in Yoke pat with smaller ndls

To save time, take time to check gauge.

# **Designer Notes**

When working neck shaping, make sure to keep st count accurate. Openwork pattern must have both a yo *and* corresponding decrease st. If both cannot be worked, keep sts in St st.

Work p1, k1 into double yo of previous row.

# Stitch Glossary

M1 (Make 1): Make a backwards loop and place on RH needle.

**Tbl:** Through back loop.

Wyib: With yarn in back.

**Ssp:** Slip next 2 sts individually knitwise and replace them to LH ndl in this reversed position, p2tog-tbl.

**Left Yoke Dec Row (RS):** Work in established pat to last 4 sts, p2tog, p2.

**Left Yoke Inc Row (RS):** Work in established pat to last 3 sts, M1, p3.

**Right Yoke Dec Row (RS):** Yo, k2tog, p2tog, work in established pat to end of row.

**Right Yoke Inc Row (RS):** Yo, k2tog, p1, M1, work in established pat to end of row.

**Joined Bound-Off:** With right sides of yoke and back held tog, insert RH ndl into first st of yoke, then first bound-off st of back and k2tog, \*k2tog next yoke and back sts – 2 sts on RH ndl – lift first st over second st to bind off. Rep from \* until all yoke sts are joined to back.

#### **BODICE**

With smaller ndls, cast on 204 (216, 240, 264) sts. Join without twisting, placing marker between first and last st. Work even in St st, until body measures 9 (9, 10, 10)" from beg, ending 8 (8, 12, 14) sts before marker. Place second marker at halfway point - 102 (108, 120, 132) sts each for front and back.

# Shape underarms

**Next rnd:** Bind off 16 (16, 24, 28) sts for left underarm, knit to 8 (8, 12, 14) sts before second marker and place sts just worked on holder for front, bind off 16 (16, 24, 28) sts for right underarm, knit to end of rnd.

### **BACK**

Work in rows from this point. Purl 1 row.

**Dec row (RS):** K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Row 2: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows 3 (4, 5, 6) times more – 78 (82, 84, 90) sts.

Bind off knitwise on RS. Mark center of bound-off edge.

#### FRONT

SI sts from holder to ndl. With WS facing, join yarn at underarm. Purl 1 row.

Dec, bind off and mark as for back.

#### LOWER BORDER

Beg at center back with larger ndl, pick up and knit along cast-on edge as follows:

Size extra-small only: [Pick up and knit 10, M1] 20 times, pick up and knit 4 – 224 sts.

Size small only: [Pick up and knit 27, M1] 8 times – 224 sts.

Size medium only: [Pick up and knit 20, M1] 12 times – 252 sts.

Size large only: [Pick up and knit 16, M1, pick up and knit 17, M1] 8 times – 280 sts.

All sizes: To LH ndl cast on 1, place marker, cast on 14.

Next row: Work Row 1 of Chart A, sl marker, k2tog-tbl, sl 1 purlwise wyib, turn,

Row 2: P2tog-tbl, sl marker, work Row 2 of Chart A to end of row.

Continue working chart and joining sts as established until all picked-up sts have been worked -8 (8, 9, 10) chart repeats. Bind off.

Sew bound-off edge and cast-on edges of border tog. Mark this seam as center back.

#### **LEFT YOKE**

Beg at left underarm with smaller ndl and RS facing, pick up and knit1 st in each bound-off st of front bodice until there are 45 (45, 50, 50) sts on ndl -6 (4, 8, 5) sts beyond center marker.

**Set up pattern (WS):** Yo, ssp, \*k1, p4; rep from \* to last 3 sts, k3.

Referring to Chart B (B, D, D), dec 1 st at neck edge every RS row as listed above 17 (18, 19, 20) times – 26 (27, 31 30) sts.

Work 3 rows even. Continuing in established pat, inc 1 st every RS row 17 (18, 19, 20) times, ending with a RS row – 45 (45, 50, 50) sts.

# Join yoke to bodice

Match first st of yoke to 6 (4, 8, 5)th st beyond center marker of bodice. Worked Joined Bind Off.

Place last st on crochet hook. Work 1 row sc across entire underarm, making sure to keep work flat. Fasten off last st.

#### **RIGHT YOKE**

With smaller ndl, cast on 12 (8, 16 10) sts.

Beg at next bound-off st of front bodice, pick up and knit 1 st in each remaining bound-off st – 45 (45, 50, 50) sts.

Set up pat (WS): Yo, ssp, \*k1, p4; rep from \* to last 3 sts, k3.

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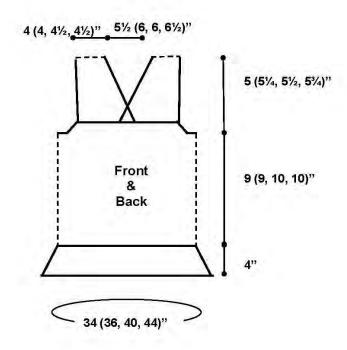
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Bind off 12 (8, 16, 10) sts at beg of next row. Match next st of yoke to next bound-off st of bodice. Work Joined Bind Off on remaining sts, inserting RH ndl into bound-off st, then yoke st. Cut yarn.

With RS facing, join yarn at underarm. Work 1 row sc across entire underarm, making sure to keep work flat. Fasten off last st.

# **FINISHING**

Sew cast-on and bound-off extensions of right yoke to inside of left yoke.



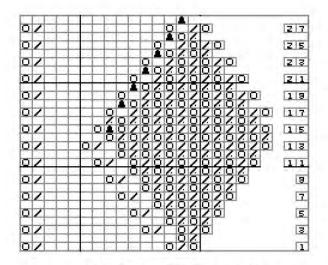


CHART A - LOWER BORDER

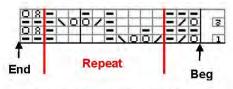


CHART B – LEFT YOKE SIZES XS and S

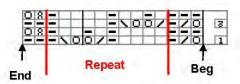
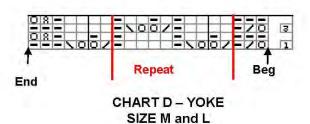


CHART C – RIGHT YOKE SIZES XS and S



# Stitch Key K on RS, p on WS P on RS, k on WS Yo K2tog P2tog Ssk Ssp K3tog on RS P3tog on WS