

AFRICAN
EXPRESSIONS
FREEDOM

AE - 5015
KNITTING | FREE PATTERN



ORIGINAL GARMENT: 81 - 86cm.

To Fit Bust	81 - 86cm	91 - 97cm	100 - 107cm
Length	72cm	74cm	76cm
Sleeve Seam	46cm	48cm	50cm

MATERIALS:

17(19,21) Balls **FREEDOM** 50g
Colour - 5003

4mm Knitting needle
4mm Circular knitting needle

TENSION:

Measured over pattern B
26sts x 32 rows = 10cm using mm knitting needles.

ABBREVIATIONS:

beg - begin(ning), **dec** - decrease, **inc** - increase, **k** - knit, **n(s)** - needle(s), **p** - purl, **patt** - pattern, **RSF(r)** - right side facing row, **st(s)** - stitch(es), **tbl** - through back of loop, **tog** - together, **WSF(r)** - wrong side facing row

STITCHES USED:

Pattern A:

1st Row: K3, p3 to end.
2nd Row: P3, k3 to end.
3rd & 4th Row: Rep 1st - 2nd row.
5th Row: K.
6th Row: P.
7th Row: P3, k3 to end.
8th Row: K3, p3 to end.
9th & 10th Row: Rep 7th - 8th row.
11 & 12th Row: Rep 5th - 6th row.
13th - 18th Row: Rep 1st - 6th row.

Pattern B:

1st Row: (RSF), k.
2nd Row: K1, p1 to end.
Rep 1st & 2nd rows 11 times.
Patt sequence rep throughout on back and fronts, except at beg of all parts when rows 1 & 2 of patt A are worked 3 times and rows 5 & 6 before the beg of the actual patt.

BACK:

Using 4mm ns cast on 141(151,161)sts.
Work in patt sequence until work measures 50(52,54)cm.

ARMHOLE SHAPING:

Cast off 5sts at beg of next 2 rows, keeping patt correct. Work 72(74,75)cm.

NECK SHAPING:

Patt 44(48,52)sts. Cast off 43(45,47)sts work to end.

On 1st group of sts,

1st, 3rd 5th Rows: Patt.

2nd Row: (Neck edge) Cast off 3sts patt to end.

4th Row: Cast off 2sts, patt to end.

Leave sts on a spare n.

2nd Group of sts,

Join yarn at neck edge.

1st, 2nd and 4th Rows: Patt.

3rd Row: Cast off 3sts, patt to end.

5th Row: Cast off 2sts, patt to end. Leave sts on a spare n.

RIGHT FRONT:

Cast on 59(65,71)sts using 4mm ns. Work in patt as for back for 36(38,40)cm.

BEGIN "V" SHAPING:

Dec Row: K1,k2tog tbl, patt to end.

Patt next 3 rows.

Rep last 4 rows to 49(55,59)sts then dec every 6th row to 39(43,47)sts AT THE SAME TIME. When work measures 50(52,54)cm cast off 5sts for the armhole shaping. Cont until front is the same length as the back.

Leave 39sts on holder for shoulder.

LEFT FRONT:

Work as for right front rev all shapings.

JOIN SHOULDERS:

Back and fronts are joined by using the 3ndl cast off method. Sts from back and front are on ns. Using 3rd n *(With RSF k1 st from back and front tog.)*- 1st on right hand n.

Rep *-*. 2sts on right hand n.

Cast off 1st as usual - (slip 2nd st over 1st on right hand n)

Rep these 2 steps until all sts have been cast off.

Rep with other shoulder.

SLEEVES:

K only in patt B. When inc, pick up thread between 1st & 2nd sts at beg of row and last 2sts at end of row and k into back of st thus made.

Using 4mm ns cast on 61(67,71)sts.

Always k 1st and last st of every row to keep edge neat.

Patt 5cm.

Inc Row: Inc 1st at beg and end of each row.

Patt 3 rows.

Rep last 4 rows to 77(83,87)sts, then inc every 6th row to 107(113,113)sts.

When sleeve measures 46(48,48)cm, cast off loosely in rib.

BAND:

Using 4mm circular n, pick up 24sts every 10cm evenly around garment. Make sure you have an uneven no of sts. Pick up an extra st around the neck.

Always k 1st and last st of every row.

Work 4cm in patt B.

Cast off loosely in rib.

Block garment and sew in sleeves and join side seams and sleeve seams.

