

## BEAUTIFUL CARDI

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Unless yarn specified is used, African Expressions cannot accept the responsibility for the finished work.

Owing to printing restrictions the colour reproduction is matched as closely to the yarn as possible.

Original garment worked in size 87cm and shown on a size 87cm model.

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**MATERIALS:** JOY DK (50g balls) 8(9;10;11;12) balls 1033; 2 buttons. One press stud. One pair each 3,25mm and 4mm knitting needles. One cable needle.

### MEASUREMENTS:

To fit Bust: 82(87;92;97;102)cm  
Actual all round measurement of garment: Bust: 86(91;97;102;107)cm  
Length to back neck: 68(70;72;74;76)cm  
THE INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN FOR THE SMALLEST SIZE, WITH THE LARGER SIZES IN BRACKETS; WHERE ONLY ONE FIGURE IS GIVEN, IT APPLIES TO ALL SIZES.

**TENSION: SAVE TIME, TAKE TIME, CHECK TENSION.** 22sts and 30 rows = 10cm over Stocking Stitch using 4mm needles.  
FOR BEST RESULTS IT IS ESSENTIAL TO OBTAIN THE CORRECT TENSION.  
IF THERE ARE TOO FEW STS ON TEST SWATCH, USE THINNER NEEDLES;  
IF THERE ARE TOO MANY STS, USE THICKER NEEDLES.

### ABBREVIATIONS:

**alt** = alternate; **beg** = begin(ning); **cont** = continue; **C3F** = slip next 2sts onto cable needle and hold at front of work, k next st from left-hand needle, then k sts from cable needle; **C3B** = slip next st onto cable needle and hold at back of work, k next 2sts from left-hand needle, then k sts from cable needle; **C4F** = slip next 2sts onto cable needle and hold at front of work, k next 2sts from left-hand needle, then k sts from cable needle; **dec** = decrease; **fol** = follow(ing); **inc(s)** = increase; **k** = knit; **patt(s)**

= pattern(s); **p** = purl; **rem** = remain(ing); **rep** = repeat; **rev** = reverse; **rev st st** = reverse stocking stitch, purl side as right side; **R(W)S** = right(wrong) side; **R(W)SF** = right(wrong) side facing; **R(W)SR** = right(wrong) side row; **RW** = ribwise; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **st st** = stocking stitch; **tog** = together; **T3F** = slip next 2sts onto cable needle and hold at front of work, p next st from left hand-needle, then k sts from cable needle; **T3B** = slip next st onto cable needle and hold at back of work, k next 2sts from left-hand needle, then p st from cable needle.

### STITCHES USED:

DOUBLE RIB PATTERN:

**1st row:** K2, \*p2, k2, rep from \* to end.

**2nd row:** P2, \*k2, p2, rep from \* to end.

Rep these 2 rows.

STOCKING STITCH:

**1st row:** RSF, one row K.

**2nd row:** WSF, one row P.

Rep these 2 rows.

REVERSED STOCKING STITCH:

**1st row:** RSF, one row P.

**2nd row:** WSF, one row K.

Rep these 2 rows.

CABLE PATTERN (worked over 10sts on a background of rev st st):

**1st row:** RSF, k2, (p2, k2) twice.

**2nd row:** P2, (k2, p2) twice.

**3rd to 6th rows:** Rep last 2 rows twice more.

**7th row:** T3F, p1, k2, p1, T3B.

**8th row:** K1, (p2, k1) 3 times.

**9th row:** P1, T3F, k2, T3B, p1.

**10th row:** K2, p6, k2.

**11th row:** P2, T3F, T3B, p2.

**12th row:** K3, p4, k3.

**13th row:** P3, C4F, p3.

**14th row:** K3, p4, k3.

**15th row:** P2, C3B, C3F, p2.

**16th row:** K2, p6, k2.

**17th row:** P1, T3B, k2, T3F, p1.

**18th row:** K1, (p2, k1) 3 times.

**19th row:** T3B, p1, k2, p1, T3F.

**20th row:** P2, (k2, p2) twice.

**21st to 24th rows:** Rep 1st and 2nd rows twice.

Rep these 24 rows to form pattern.

### BACK:

Using 3,25mm needles cast on 114(118;130;134;146)sts and work in double rib patt for 3cm ending with a WSR. Change to 4mm needles and work in st st, dec 1 st (= work 2tog) at each end of every foll alt row 1(0;7;5;11) times, every foll 4th row 9(8;5;6;3) times, then every foll 6th row 0(1;0;0;0) time = 94(100;106;112;118) sts. Cont straight until work measures 17(17;16;16;16)cm from beg ending with a WSR. Now **SHAPE SIDES:** Dec 1 st at each end of every foll 4th row 2(1;0;0;0) times, every foll 6th row 6(7;8;7;6) times, then every foll 8th row 0(0;0;1;2) times = 78(84;90;96;102)sts. Now inc 1 st at each end of every foll 8th row 0(0;0;1;2) times, every foll 6th row 6(7;8;7;6) times, then every foll 4th row 2(1;0;0;0) times = 94(100;106;112;118)sts. Cont straight and when work measures 48(49;50;51;52) cm from beg ending with a WSR, **SHAPE RAGLAN:** Cast off 4sts at beg of next 2 rows. Now dec 1 st at each end of every foll row 0(4;6;8;10) times, then every foll alt row 28(27;28;28;29) times = 30(30;30;32;32)sts. Cast off rem sts for neck opening.

### RIGHT FRONT:

Using 3,25mm needles cast on 58(58;66;66;74)sts and work in double rib patt for 3cm ending with a WSR. Change to 4mm needles and work one row in st st. Now dec 1 st at beg of next and at same edge of every foll alt row 3(0;9;3;13) times in all, every foll 4th row 8(5;4;7;2) times, then every foll 6th row 0(3;0;0;0) times = 47(50;53;56;59)sts. Cont straight until work measures 17(17;16;16;16)cm from beg ending with a RSR. Now **SHAPE SIDE** as for one side of back. **AT THE SAME TIME** when work measures 34(35;34;35;34)cm from beg ending with a RSR. **Next row, inc row:** Work one row on WS, inc 5sts evenly across row. **Next row:** RSF, k4sts, p2, k2, p2, work 1st row of cable patt (SEE STS USED), p2, k2, p2, k to end (remember to work side shaping as before). **Next row:** WSF, work to last 26sts, k2, p2, k2, work 2nd row of cable patt, k2, p2, k2, p4. Cont in patt as now set (shaping side) and when work measures 48(49;50;51;52)cm from beg ending with

a RSR = 52(55;58;61;64)sts. **SHAPE RAGLAN** as for one side of back. **AT THE SAME TIME** when work measures 63(65;67;69;71)cm from beg ending with a WSR, **SHAPE NECK:** Cast off 7(7;7;8;8)sts at beg (neck edge) of next row, 6sts at same edge of foll alt row, then dec 1 st at beg of every foll alt row until 2sts rem. Work 2tog, fasten off.

### LEFT FRONT:

Work as for right front, rev shapings.

### SLEEVES (Both Alike):

Using 4mm needles cast on 58(62;62;66;66)sts and work in double rib patt for 2 rows. Now dec 1 st at each end of next and every foll alt row 21(22;22;23;23) times in all = 16(18;18;20;20)sts [work should measure 15(15;15;16;16)cm]. Cast off rem sts RW.

### TO MAKE UP:

Sew raglan seams. Measuring sleeve from top, sleeve must have a few cm open at bottom and will not fit at raglan seam. Set in sleeves. **RIGHT FRONT BAND:** Using 3,25mm needles, pick up and k158(162;166;174;178)sts (= 25sts per 10cm) evenly along straight edge of front. WSF, now work in double rib patt, beg with p2, for 3cm ending with a WSR, cast off all sts RW. **LEFT FRONT BAND:** Work as for right front band. **NECKBAND:** RSF, using 3,25mm needles cast on 22sts and work in double rib patt for 3cm ending with a WSR. **Next row, buttonhole row:** Rib 9sts, cast off 2sts, rib to end. **Next row:** Rib, casting on 2sts over buttonhole. Cont straight until work fits around front band and neck opening of right front, across top edge of right sleeve, across back neck, across top edge of left sleeve and down neck opening of left front and band. Cast off all sts RW. Sew neckband onto neckline. Buttonhole must be on right front. Sew side seams. Sew on buttons. Sew another button next to previous button. Sew on press stud. Block garment to measurement, cover with a damp cloth and allow to dry.



## Tension

The most important factor in determining the finished size of a knitted item is the tension. Patterns will produce different finished sizes by using a different needle size. It is important to be able to determine how much difference a needle change will make, especially in clothing items.

Each one of us knits differently and there is no standard for knowing exactly how much a needle size will change the tension or finished size of a garment. The tension you hold in the yarn will create loose or tight stitches. For smooth, even stitches, it is important to maintain the same tension. Tension is the responsibility of the knitter and must be consistent throughout the entire item to assure an accurate finished size. It is always best to make a small tension swatch, using the yarn, stitch pattern and needles recommended. Check your tension frequently - if you are not getting the proper tension, you will need to rework that portion adjusting your tension accordingly.

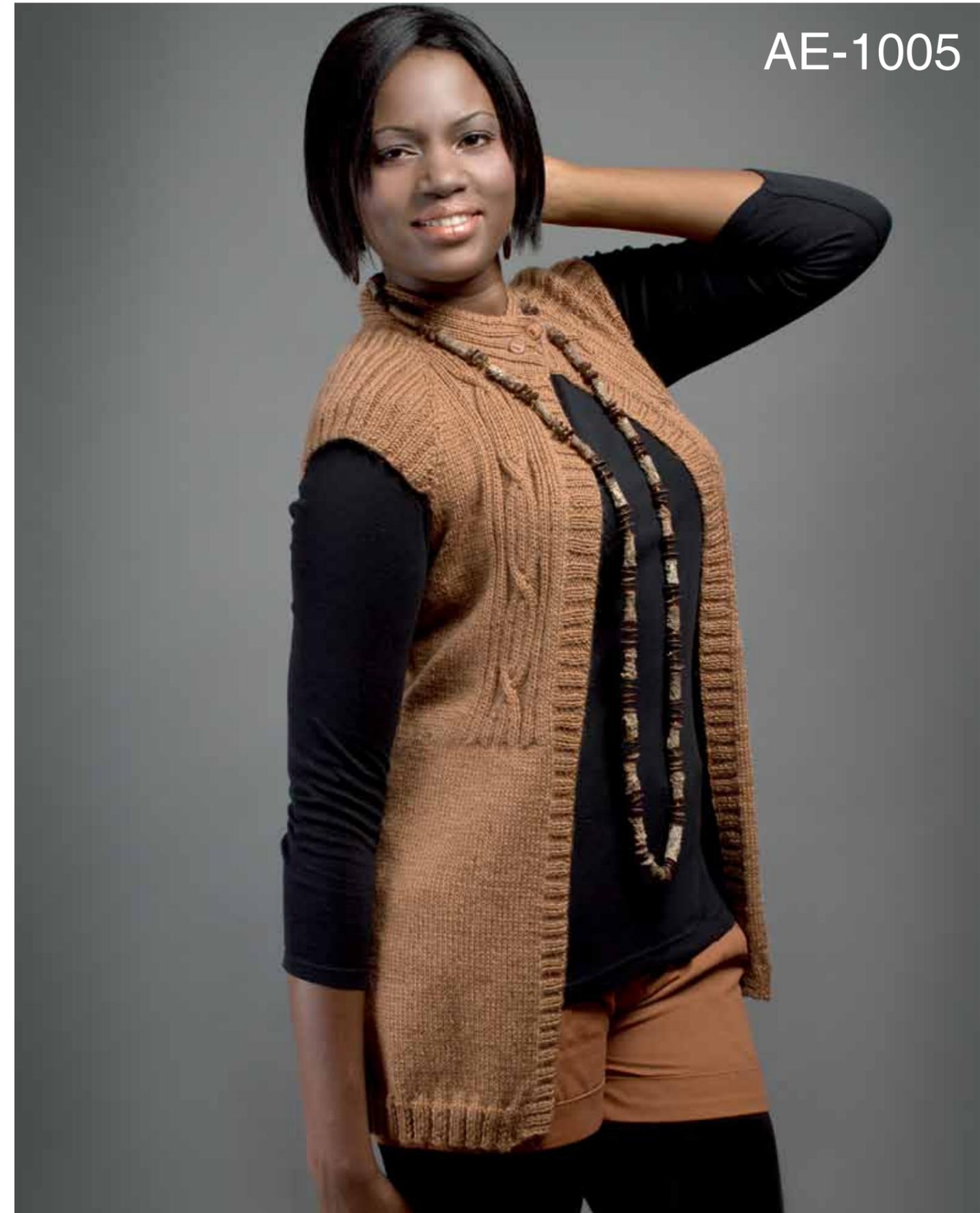
## Garment Care

This is important for ensuring that your labour of love remains in pristine condition. Always hand wash garments in a mild soapy solution. Allow to dry flat (on a bath towel on the floor). Never hang your garment on the washing line to dry and always fold and store in a drawer or flat on a shelf.

## KNITTING NEEDLE SIZES AND CONVERSIONS

Metric sizes(mm)	US	UK / Canada
2.0	0	14
2.25	1	13
2.75	2	12
3.0	-	11
3.25	3	10
3.5	4	-
3.75	5	9
4.0	6	8
4.5	7	7
5.0	8	6
5.5	9	5
6.0	10	4
6.5	10 1/2	3
7.0	-	2
7.5	-	1
8	11	0
9	13	00
10	15	000
12	17	-
16	19	-
19	35	-
25	50	-

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