FREE PATTERNS

Britannia knit in Bonsai™ Skill level: Easy







Britannia is a modified polo with elbow length sleeves and wide-ribbed trim.



PDF Pattern Instructions

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Shown in size Small

SIZES

Directions are for women's size X-Small. Changes for sizes Small, Medium, Large, 1X and 2X are in parenthese.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust - 32(36-40-44-48-52)" Length - 20(20-20 1/2-21-21 1/2-22)"

MATERIALS

11(12 -14 -16 -18-19) Balls <u>BERROCO BONSAI</u> (50 grs), #4110 Straight knitting needles, sizes 6 and 8 OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE 24" Length circular knitting needle, size 6

GAUGE

20 sts = 4"; 28 rows = 4" in St st on size 8 needles TO SAVE TIME, TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE

RIB PATTERN (Multiple of 6 sts + 3)

Row 1 (RS): P3, * K1 $\underline{\mathsf{TBL}}$, p1, k1TBL, p3, rep from * across.

Row 2: K3, * p1TBL, k1, p1TBL, k3, rep from * across.

Rep these 2 rows for Rib Pat.

BACK

With smaller straight needles, cast on 93(105-117-123-135-147) sts. Work even in Rib Pat for 5", end on RS. Change to larger needles and p the next row, dec 13(15-17-13-15-17) sts evenly spaced across -80(90-100-110-120-130) sts. Work even in St st until piece measures 12" from beg, end on WS.

Shape Armholes: Bind off 4(6-7-7-8-9) sts at beg of the next 2 rows – 72(78-86-96-104-112) sts. Dec 1 st at each armhole edge every RS row 6(9-10-13-14-16) times – 60(60-66-70-76-80) sts. Work even until armholes measure $7(7-7 \ 1/2-8-8 \ 1/2-9)$ ", end on WS.

Shape Shoulders: Bind off 5(5-6-6-7-9) sts at beg of the next 2 rows, then 5(5-6-7-8-8) sts at beg of the next 4 rows. Bind off remaining 30 sts for back neck.

LEFT FRONT

Work same as back until piece measures 5", end on RS – 93(105-117-123-135-147) sts. Change to larger needles.

Divide for left and right sides: Next Row (WS): P43(49-55-58-64-70) sts, dec 7(8-9-7-8-9) sts evenly spaced across; join another ball of yarn and bind off center 7 sts, p to end, dec 7(8-9-7-8-9) sts evenly spaced across -36(41-46-51-56-61) sts each side. Working both sides at once, work even until piece measures 12'' from beg, end on WS. Shape Armholes same as back -26(26-29-31-34-36) sts each side. Work even until armholes measure 41/2(41/2-5-51/2-6-61/2)'', end on WS.

Shape Neck: Next Row (RS): K26(26-29-31-34-36) with 1st ball; with 2nd ball, bind off 5 sts, k to end.

Following Row (WS): P21(21-24-26-29-31) with 1st ball; with 2nd ball, bind off 5 sts, p to end. Still working both sides at once, dec 1 st at each neck edge every RS row 6 times – 15(15-18-20-23-25) sts each side. Work even until armholes measure 7(7-71/2-8-81/2-9)", end on WS. Bind off 5(5-6-6-7-9) sts at each armhole edge once, then 5(5-6-7-8-8) sts twice for shoulders.

SLEEVES

With smaller straight needles, cast on 69(69-75-81-87-93) sts. Work even in Rib Pat for 3", end on RS. Change to larger needles and p the next row, dec 9(9-10-11-12-13) sts evenly spaced across – 60(60-65-70-75-80) sts. Work even in St st until sleeve measures 5" from beg, end on WS.

Shape Cap: Bind off 4(6-7-7-8-9) sts at beg of the next 2 rows – 52(48-51-56-59-62) sts. Dec 1 st each side every RS row 15(11-9-9-7-5) times, then every other RS row 1(3-4-4-5-6) times, end on WS – 20(20-25-30-35-40) sts. Bind off 3 sts at beg of the next 2 rows. Bind off remaining 14(14-19-24-29-34) sts.

FINISHING

Left Frontband: With RS facing, using smaller straight needles, beg at neck edge, pick up and k63(63-65-67-69-71) sts along left front edge.

Row 1 (WS): KO(0-1-2-0-1), work Row 2 of Rib Pat to last O(0-1-2-0-1) sts, k to

end.

Row 2: P0(0-1-2-0-1), work Row 1 of Rib Pat to last 0(0-1-2-0-1) sts, p to end. Rep these 2 rows until band measures 1 1/2", end on WS. Bind off.

Right Frontband: With RS facing, using smaller straight needles, beg at bound-off sts, pick up and k63(63-65-67-69-71) sts along right front edge. Complete same as left frontband. Lap right frontband over left frontband and sew lower edges to bound-off sts at top of lower ribbing. Sew shoulder seams.

Collar: With WS facing, using circular needle, beg at edge of left frontband, pick up and k123 sts around neckband and neck edges. Beg with Row 2, work even in Rib Pat for 4 1/2", end on WS. Bind off loosely. Sew in sleeves. Sew side and sleeve seams.

