Easy to Knit and Easy to Wear!

Our Festive Fur Trimmed Tank tops are knit in DMC's Pearl Cotton #5 and Bernat's Boa yarns. Both are widely available in a variety of colors, so you are sure to find a combo that suits your doll's wardrobe!

We paired ours with the suede skirts and silk evening bags from our DB Details Club Project collection.

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Festive Tank Top

**for 11 1/2 inch fashion dolls such as Barbie®
and 16 inch fashion dolls such as Tyler Wentworth®**

Materials

Yarn   11 1/2" doll
DMC Pearl Cotton #5
Color A #738   approx   15   yds
Color B #315   approx   2 1/2 yds
and
Bernat Boa
Color C #81307 approx   1 1/2 yds

Yarn   16" doll
DMC Pearl Cotton #5
Color A #738   approx   35   yds
Color B #315   approx   3 1/2 yds
and
Bernat Boa
Color C #81307 approx   2   yds

Needles
US Size 1 (2 1/4mm) knitting needles **or size required to obtain correct gauge.**

Accessories
1 spare needle or stitch holder.

Gauge
9 1/2 sts and 12 rows = 1 inch (2.5cm) with US Size 1 (2 1/4mm) needles with Pearl Cotton #5 in stockinette stitch.

Quick Tip: To finish off the furry yarn ends of specialty yarns such as Bernat Boa, we found that inserting the yarn back through a previous knit stitch once or twice was enough to keep the yarn from working itself free. We then cut the yarn ends to about 1/2" long and allowed them to hide among the fur.
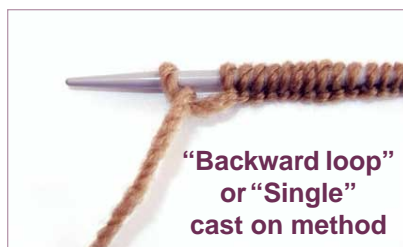
Instructions

The instructions are written for 11 1/2" dolls. Changes necessary for 16" dolls will be written thus ( ).

Back
**With Color C and US Size 1 needles, cast on 19 (29) sts loosely, using the "backward loop" or "single" cast on method (see photo). Break yarn.

**"Backward loop"
or "Single"
cast on method**

Join Color A and beg with a K row, work 4 (6) rows in St st.

Next row: K1. K2tog. K to last 3 sts. SSK. K1.
Work 3 (5) rows in St st.
Rep last 4 (6) rows 0 (1) more time. 17 (25) sts.

Next row: K1. Inc 1 st in next st. K to last 2 sts. Inc 1 st in next st. K1.
Work 5 rows in St st.
Rep last 6 rows once more. 21 (29) sts.
Next row: K1. Inc 1 st in next st. K to last 2 sts. Inc 1 st in next st. K1.
Work 3 rows in St st. 23 (31) sts.**

Armhole shaping: Next row: K2. SSK. K to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2.
Next row: P2. P2tog. P to last 4 sts. P2togtbl. P2.
Rep last 2 rows 0 (1) more time. 19 (23) sts.
Next row: K2. SSK. K to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2. 17 (21) sts.
Next row: Bind off purlways, working P2tog at beg of row and P2togtbl at end of row.

Front
Work from ** to ** as given for Back.

Armhole shaping: Next row: K2. SSK. K to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2.
Next row: P.
Rep last 2 rows 1 (3) more time(s). 19 (23) sts.
Next row: K2. SSK. K to last 4 sts. K2tog. K2. 17 (21) sts.
Next row: Bind off purlways, working P2tog at beg of row and P2togtbl at end of row.

Neckband & Shoulder Straps
With Color B and RS facing, pick up and knit 13 (17) sts across Back bind off edge. "Using the backward loop" or "single" cast on method, cast on 11 (15) sts (shoulder strap). Pick up and knit 13 (17) sts across Front bind off edge. "Using the backward loop" or "single" cast on method, cast on 11 (15) sts (shoulder strap). 48 (64) sts.
Next row: (WS). K.
Bind off firmly purlways. Break yarn.

Finishing
Sew side seam to first armhole decreases. Sew end of shoulder strap to side edge of back neckband.

Abbreviations

approx = approximately
beg = beginning
CB = center back
CF = center front
cont = continue
cm = centimetre(s)
dec = decrease
foll = following
inc = increase
K = Knit
LHN = left hand needle
mm = milimetre(s)
P = Purl
rem = remaining
rep = repeat
RHN = right hand needle
RS = right side of work
st(s) = stitch(es)
St st = stockinette stitch
tbl = through back of loop (st)
tog = together
WS = wrong side of work
yd(s) = yard(s)

M1 = Make one stitch by picking up horizontal loop lying before the next stitch and knitting into the back of loop.

SSK = Slip next 2 sts knitways, one at a time, onto right hand needle. Insert tip of left hand needle into these sts and knit them together, to decrease 1 stitch.

* = follow the instructions from the * as many times as indicated.

( ) = repeat the enclosed instructions as many times as indicated.