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# *Tunic Vest*



to knit for your 11 1/2"  
and 16" fashion dolls

Knit this easy Tunic Vest to wear over the season's popular tights or leggings. We use Pearl Cotton 10/2 yarn, which is popular with weavers for its softness and wide color selection. For sources, search the Internet using the term "Pearl Cotton 10/2". Pearl Cotton 10/2 is also similar to Crochet Cotton Size #10, (such as Coats Opera #10). While Pearl Cotton 10/2 has less twist, we have tested a few #10 crochet cottons and found them to be quite suitable. Remember to always check your gauge and do a test swatch before beginning any project.

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# Knit Tunic Vest

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

## Materials

### Yarn

#### Pearl Cotton 10/2:

11 1/2" doll	approx 50 yds
16" doll	approx 90 yds

Our sample is knit in  
**Pearl Cotton 10/2**, color #168  
(beige) and #119 (tea rose), from  
Halcyon Yarn.

### Needles

US Size 0000 (1.25mm) and US  
Size 00 (1.75mm) knitting  
needles or size required to obtain  
correct gauge.

### Accessories

Spare needle or stitch holder.

## Gauge

12 sts and 16 rows = 1 inch  
(2.5cm) with US Size 00  
(1.75mm) needles with Pearl  
Cotton 10/2 in stockinette stitch.

## Instructions

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

### Front

\*\*With smaller needles, cast on  
29 (41) sts and proceed in  
(K1. P1) ribbing as follows.  
**1st row:** (RS). K1. \*P1. K1. Rep  
from \* to end of row.  
**2nd row:** P1. \*K1. P1. Rep from \*  
to end of row.  
Rep these 2 rows 2 (3) more  
times, inc 1 st in center of last  
row. 30 (42) sts.\*\*

Change to larger needles and  
proceed in St st until work from  
beg measures 3" (4") ending with  
RS facing for next row.

#### V Neck shaping:

**Next row:** K15 (K21). TURN.  
Leave rem sts on a spare needle.  
**Next row:** P2tog. P to end of row.  
**Next row:** K to last 2 sts. K2tog.  
**Next row:** (P2tog) 0 (1) time(s).  
P to end of row. 13 (18) sts.

#### Armhole shaping:

**Next row:** Bind off 3 sts. K to last  
2 sts. K2tog.  
**Next row:** Purl.  
**Next row:** K to last 2 sts. K2tog.  
**Next row:** Purl.  
Rep last 2 rows 0 (3) more times.  
8 (10) sts.

**Next row:** Knit.  
**Next row:** Purl.  
**Next row:** K to last 2 sts. K2tog.  
**Next row:** Purl.  
Rep last 4 rows 2 times more.  
5 (7) sts.

Work 6 (8) rows even in st st,  
ending with RS facing. Bind off  
rem sts.

With RS facing, join yarn to sts  
on spare needle. K to end of row.  
**Next row:** P to last 2 sts.  
P2togtbl.

**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.  
Next row: P to last 0 (2) sts.  
(P2tog) 0 (1) time(s). 13 (18) sts.

#### Armhole shaping:

**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.  
**Next row:** Bind off 3 sts. P to end  
of row.  
**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.  
**Next row:** Purl.  
Rep last 2 rows 0 (3) more times.  
8 (10) sts.



# Abbreviations

approx = approximately  
beg = beginning  
CF = center front  
cont = continue  
cm = centimetre(s)  
dec = decrease  
foll = following  
inc = increase  
K = Knit  
KB1 = Knit into back of loop (st)  
mm = millimetre(s)  
P = Purl  
PB1 = Purl into back of loop (st)  
rem = remaining  
rep = repeat  
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)

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.

**Next row:** Knit.

**Next row:** Purl.

**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.

**Next row:** Purl.

Rep last 4 rows 2 times more.  
5 (7) sts.

Work 6 (8) rows even in st st, ending with RS facing. Bind off rem sts.

## Back

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

Change to larger needles and proceed in St st until work from beg measures the same length as Front to beg of armhole shaping, ending with RS facing for next row.

**Armhole shaping:** Bind off 3 sts beg next 2 rows. 24 (36) sts.

Work 16 (22) rows even in st st, ending with RS facing.

**Neck shaping:**

**Next row:** K7 (K11). Bind off next 10 (14) sts. K to end of row.

**Next row:** P5 (9). P2togtbl.

TURN. Leave rem sts on a spare needle.

**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.

**Next row:** P to last 0 (2) sts.

(P2togtbl) 0 (1) time(s). 5 (8) sts.

**16" doll size only:**

**Next row:** SSK. K to end of row.

**Next row:** Purl. 7 sts.

**Both doll sizes:** Bind off rem sts.

With WS facing, join yarn to sts on spare needle. P2tog. P to end of row.

**Next row:** K to last 2 sts. K2tog.

**Next row:** (P2tog) 0 (1) time(s). P to end of row. 5 (8) sts.

**16" doll size only:**

**Next row:** K to last 2 sts. K2tog.

**Next row:** Purl. 7 sts.

**Both doll sizes:** Bind off rem sts.

## Neckband

Sew right shoulder seam. With RS facing and smaller needles, pick up and K 25 (33) sts evenly down left front neck edge. Work 5 (7) rows in (K1. P1) ribbing as given for Front, ending with RS facing for next row. Bind off evenly in ribbing.

With RS facing and smaller needles, pick up and K 25 (33) sts evenly up right front neck edge. Pick up and K16 (26) sts evenly around back neck edge. 41 (59) sts. Work 5 (7) rows in (K1. P1) ribbing as given for Front, ending with RS facing for next row. Bind off evenly in ribbing.

## Armbands

Sew left shoulder and neckband seam. With RS facing and smaller needles, pick up and K 39 (57) sts evenly along armhole edge, between (not along) bind off edges. Work 3 rows in (K1. P1) ribbing as given for Front, ending with RS facing for next row. Bind off evenly in ribbing.

## Finishing

Block piece. Lap right front neckband over left front neckband at center V and sew side edges in place. Sew side edges of armbands to bind off edges at armhole shaping. Sew side seams.