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# Raised Boxes Cardigan

STEP OUT OF THE BOX! KNIT FUN  
BORDERS ON THIS CARDIGAN.

**Skill Level**  **EASY**

## Sizes

Woman's small (medium, large, extra-large, 2X-large, 3X-large) Instructions are given for smallest size, with larger sizes in parentheses. When only 1 number is given, it applies to all sizes.

## Finished Measurements

**Chest:** 32 (36, 39, 43, 47, 51) inches

**Length:** 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24) inches

## Materials

- Worsted weight yarn\* (150 yds/85g per skein): 4 (5, 6, 7, 7, 8) skeins madi gray #0007
- Size 8 (5mm) needles or size needed to obtain gauge
- Stitch markers
- 2 safety pins
- Size G/6 (4mm) crochet hook
- 1 large snap set



\*Sample project was completed with **Simply Soft Shadows (100 percent acrylic) from Caron International.**

## Gauge

17 sts and 22 rows = 4 inches/10cm in St st.

To save time, take time to check gauge.

## Special Abbreviation

**Make 1 (M1):** Inc by k1 in back of strand between st just worked and next st on LH needle.

## Pattern Stitches

**A. Raised Boxes Border** (multiple of 8 sts + 1)

**Lower Border:** K7, \*[turn, k5] 5 times, turn, k13; rep from \* to last 7 sts, end [turn, k5] 5 times, turn, k7.

**B. Raised Boxes** (panel of 9 sts)

### Front Border

**Row 1 (RS):** K7, [turn, k5] 5 times, turn, k7.

**Row 2:** Purl across.

**Rows 3–14:** Work in St st.

Rep Rows 1–14 for pat.

## Back

Cast on 73 (81, 89, 97, 105, 113) sts.

Work Pat A for lower border.

**Next row (WS):** Purl across.

Beg St st, dec 4 (4, 4, 4, 3, 3) sts evenly across first row—69 (77, 85, 93, 102, 110) sts.

Work even until back measures 11½ (12, 12½, 13, 13½, 14) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

## Shape armholes

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each edge [every RS row] 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9)

times—53 (57, 61, 65, 70, 74) sts.

Work even until back measures 16 (17, 18, 19, 20, 21) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

## Shape neck & shoulders

**Next row (RS):** K9 (10, 12, 14, 16, 18), join 2nd ball of yarn and bind off center 35 (37, 37, 37, 38, 38) sts, knit to end.

Working both sides at once, bind off at each neck edge [3 sts] once, [2 sts] once, and [1 st] once—3 (4, 6, 8, 10, 12) sts rem.

Work even until back measures 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24) inches from beg, ending with a WS row. Bind off rem shoulder sts.

## Right Front

Cast on 25 (25, 33, 33, 41, 41) sts.

Work Pat A for lower border.

**Next row (WS):** Purl across.

**Next row:** K9, place marker, knit to end.

Work 1 (1, 3, 3, 3, 3) row(s) even.

## Shape front edge

Inc 1 st after marker [every 4th row] 0 (12, 0, 11, 2, 13) times, then [every 6th row] 8 (0, 8, 1, 7, 0) times, and *at the same time*, beg on Row 15, rep Rows 1–14 of Pat B over first 9 sts for front border. Continue to inc as established until there are 33 (37, 41, 45, 50, 54)

sts and front measures 9½ (9½, 10, 10¼, 10¼, 10½) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

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### Shape neck

**Dec row (RS):** Continuing front border in Pat B, work first 9 sts, k2tog-tbl, knit to end. Mark first dec row with a safety pin.

Rep dec row [every RS row] 8 times more, then [every 6th row] 4 (5, 5, 5, 6, 6) times, and *at the same time*, when front measures 11½ (12, 12½, 13, 13½, 14) inches from beg, ending with a RS row, beg armhole shaping.

### Shape armhole

(WS) Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) sts at beg of next row, then dec 1 st at armhole edge [every RS row] 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) times. After all dec are completed, work even on rem 12 (13, 15, 17, 19, 21) sts until front measures 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24) inches from beg, ending with a RS row.

### Shape shoulder

Bind off 3 (4, 6, 8, 10, 12) sts at armhole edge.

### Border Extension

Work even on rem 9 sts until border extension measures 7 inches from shoulder bind off or until piece will reach center of back neck, ending with a RS row. Place sts on spare needle.

### Left Front

Cast on 25 (25, 33, 33, 41, 41) sts. Work Pat A for lower border.

**Next row (WS):** Purl across.

**Next row:** K16 (16, 24, 24, 32, 32), place marker, k9.

Work 1 (1, 3, 3, 3, 3) row(s) even.

### Shape front edge

Inc 1 st before marker [every 4th row] 0 (12, 0, 11, 2, 13) times, then [every 6th row] 8 (0, 8, 1, 7, 0) times, and *at the same time*, beg on Row 15, rep Rows 1–14 of



Pat B over last 9 sts for front border. Continue to inc as established until there are 33 (37, 41, 45, 50, 54) sts and front measures 9½ (9½, 10, 10¼, 10¼, 10½) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

### Shape neck

**Dec row (RS):** Continuing front border in Pat B, knit to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, work Pat B over last 9 sts. Mark first dec row with a safety pin.

Rep dec row [every RS row] 8 times more, then [every 6th row] 4 (5, 5, 5, 6, 6) times, and *at the same time*, when front measures 11½ (12, 12½, 13, 13½, 14) inches from beg, ending with a WS row, beg armhole shaping.

### Shape armhole

(RS) Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) sts at beg of next row, then dec 1 st at armhole edge [every RS row] 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) times. After all dec are completed, work even on rem 12 (13, 15, 17, 19, 21) sts until front measures 19 (20, 21, 22, 23, 24) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

### Shape shoulder

Bind off 3 (4, 6, 8, 10, 12) sts at armhole edge.

### Border Extension

Work even on rem 9 sts until border extension measures 7 inches from shoulder bind off or until piece will reach center of back neck, ending with a WS row. Place sts on spare needle.

### Sleeves

Cast on 43 (45, 47, 48, 50, 52) sts. Knit 5 rows for garter-st border. Beg with a purl row, work 9 rows in St st.

Beg on next row (RS), inc 1 st at each edge [every 12th (10th, 8th, 6th, 6th, 4th) row] 5 (6, 7, 9, 10, 11) times—53 (57, 61, 66, 70, 74) sts.

Work even until sleeve measures 12 (12½, 12½, 13, 13, 13) inches from beg, ending with a WS row.

### Shape cap

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 7, 8, 9) sts at beg of next 2 rows. Work 0 (0, 0, 2, 2, 2) rows

even. Dec 1 st at each edge [every RS row] 11 (12, 13, 14, 15, 16) times, then [every row] 3 times. Bind off rem 17 (17, 17, 18, 18, 18) sts.

## Assembly

### Neck border

Bind off border extensions, using 3-Needle Bind Off.

Join shoulder seams. With border seam in center of back neck, sew or crochet across with sl sts to join to back. Set in sleeves. Sew underarm and side seams.

### Crochet Border

With crochet hook and RS facing, beg at lower right front edge, work 37 (37, 39, 40, 40, 41) sc evenly spaced to neck marker, 3 sc at marker, 37

(39, 39, 41, 41, 43) sc evenly spaced to shoulder; placing a marker on first and last sts, work 55 sc evenly spaced across neck to left shoulder; work 37 (39, 39, 41, 41, 43) sts evenly spaced to neck marker, 3 sc in marked st, 37 (37, 39, 40, 40, 41) sts down left front to lower edge.

Ch 1, turn.

**Row 1 (WS):** Sc in first 77 (79, 81, 83, 85, 87) sts, sc between markers across back dec 9 (7, 5, 3, 3) sts evenly, sc in each rem sc to end.

Ch 1, turn.

**Row 2:** Sc in each sc across, working 3 sc at each corner.

**Row 3:** Sl st in each sc across; fasten off.

Sew snap at front corners. ■

