

## **Vintage Inspired Cardigan** an archive of [mothandrustdiy.com](http://mothandrustdiy.com)

(One of my first patterns...it's not professional, but hopefully it's somewhat helpful!)

### **Materials needed:**

- US 5 needles
- US 7 needles
- Upholstery needle
- yarn: 803 yds / 740 m of medium/worsted/size 4 (This is an approximate number. I used 4 skeins of [Vintage](#) by Berroco and had about half of one skein left over. You should be pretty safe with the amount given.)
- 6 – 3/4" or 5/8" buttons

**Gauge:** 20 sts/27 rows = 4" [10 cm] on US 7 [4.5 mm] needles.

### **Abbreviations:**

CO= cast on

BO= bind off

st/sts= stitch/stitches

k= knit

p= purl

ssk= slip, slip, knit: slip one stitch knitwise, slip the next stitch purlwise, then knit the two slipped stitches together

k2tog=knit two stitches together

m1= make one stitch

### **Instructions**

#### *BACK:*

With US 5 needle, CO 91 sts.

Work 1×1 rib for 4"

Switch to US 7 needles and work in stockinette stitch for 7.5 inches, ending with a purl row.

Armhole shaping:

(beginning on the right side):

Next row: BO 2 sts, k to end

Next row: BO 2 sts, p to end

Next row: BO 1 st, k to end

Next row: BO 1 st, p to end

Next row: BO 1 st, k to end

Next row: BO 1 st, p to end

Next row: BO 2 sts, k to end

Next row: BO 2 sts, p to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, p to end  
Next row: BO 2 sts, k to end  
Next row: BO 2 sts, p to end  
Next row: knit  
Next row: purl  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, p to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, p to end (69 sts remaining)

Continue knitting in stockinette st for 2.25". End with a knit row.

(beginning on the wrong side):

Next row: p27, k15, p 27  
Next row: knit  
Next row: p25, k 19, p25  
Next row: k27, BO 15 sts, k27  
Next row: p24, k3. Attach new ball of yarn to beginning of other side of neck. With the new yarn k 3, p24.

(In the next rows, you will be working with two balls, one for each side of the neck. Sides will be worked at the same time, and held on the same needle.)

Next row: k to last 2 sts, k2tog. (next section): ssk, k till end.  
Next row: p to last 3 sts, k3 (next section): k3, p to end.  
Repeat last two rows until 23 sts remain on each side/shoulder section.

Continue knitting in stockinette st for 1 inch, remembering to k3 sts on the neck edge of the purl side. BO.

### *LEFT FRONT:*

With US 5 needle, CO 48 sts  
Work 1×1 rib for 4 inches  
Switch to US 7 needles and work in stockinette st for 7.5 inches. (Note: When working the purl/wrong side, the first 3 sts of each row should be knit to create garter stitch at the front opening.)  
End with a purl row.

Neck and armhole shaping:

(Starting on knit/right side):  
Next row: BO 2 sts, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end

Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: BO 2 sts, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k4, purl to end  
Next row: BO 2 sts, k to last 5 sts, k2tog twice, k1  
Next row: k4, purl to end  
Next row: k to last 5 sts, k2tog twice, k1  
Next row: k4, purl to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 5 sts, k2tog twice, k1  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2  
Next row: k3, purl to end  
Next row: k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2

Continue knitting in stockinette st until it is the same length as the back, remembering to k3 along the neck on the purl side to create a garter stitch edge. BO.

#### *RIGHT FRONT:*

Buttonholes: This is the side of the cardigan where the buttonholes are, but will not be included in the instructions. They are worked on the knit (right) side. I have put in 6 buttonholes, each 2" apart. Start the first hole about 3/4" from bottom. To do this: k2, k2tog, yo, then continue knitting as per the instructions for that row.

With US 5 needle, CO 48 sts

Work 1×1 rib for 4 inches

Switch to US 7 needles and work in stockinette st for 7.5 inches. (Note: When working the purl/wrong side, the last 3 sts of each row should be knit to create garter stitch at the front opening.)

End with a knit row.

Neck and armhole shaping:

(Starting on purl/wrong side):

Next row: BO 2 sts, p to last 4 sts, k4

Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: BO 1 st, p to last 4 sts, k4

Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: BO 1 st, p to 4 sts, k4

Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: BO 2 sts, p to last 4 sts, k4

Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: BO 1 st, p to last 4 sts, k4

Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: BO 2 sts, p to last 5 sts, k5  
Next row: k1, k2tog twice, knit to end  
Next row: p to last 5 sts, k5  
Next row: k1, k2tog twice, knit to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 5 sts, k5  
Next row: k1, k2tog twice, knit to end  
Next row: BO 1 st, k to last 4 sts, k4  
Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Next row: p to last 4 sts, k4  
Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end  
Next row: purl  
Next row: k2, k2tog, knit to end

Continue knitting in stockinette st until it is the same length as the back, remembering to k3 along the neck on the purl side to create a garter stitch edge. BO.

*SLEEVES* (Make 2):

CO 56 sts on US 5 needles.  
Work 1×1 rib for 2.5"  
Switch to US 7 needles  
(Starting on the knit [right] side):  
Next row: m1, knit to last stitch, m1 in last stitch  
Next row: purl  
Repeat the last two rows until there are 72 sts.  
Knit in stockinette stitch for 2" (end with a purl row)  
Sleeve shaping (beginning with a knit [right] side):  
Next row: ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog  
Next Row: purl  
Repeat these last two rows until there are 24 sts  
Next Row: [ssk] 3 times, k12, [k2tog] 3 times.  
Next Row: purl  
Next Row: [ssk] 3 times, k6, [k2tog] 3 times  
Next Row: purl  
Next Row: [ssk] 3 times, [k2tog] 3 times  
BO

*CONSTRUCTION:*

Using yarn and your upholstery needle, stitch together back and front sides at shoulder seams. Set set in sleeves. Stitch at side seams. Weave in ends. Block piece (wash it and let it dry flat). Sew on buttons.