Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Truboo
Leopard Sweater
Pattern Number: L90248
SKILL LEVEL - INTERMEDIATE

SIZE
One Size
Finished Bust About 45 in. (114.5 cm)
Finished Length About 25 in. (63.5 cm)

MATERIALS
• LION BRAND® TRUBOO® (Art. #837)
  #123 Tan 6 balls (A)
  #150 Slate 5 balls (B)
  #122 Mushroom 2 balls (C)
• LION BRAND® stitch markers
• LION BRAND® stitch holders
• LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS
Circular knitting needle size 9 (5.5 mm), 40 in. (101.5 cm) long
Circular knitting needle size 9 (5.5 mm), 16 in. (40.5 cm) long

GAUGE
22 sts = about 4 3/4 in. (12 cm); 27 rows/rnds = about 5 in. (12.5 cm) in chart pattern and with 2 strands of yarn held together.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATION
M1 (make 1) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto the left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop – 1 st increased.

PATTERN STITCHES
K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds (over an even number of sts)
Rnd 1: *K1, p1; rep from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.
Rep Rnd 2 for K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds.

K1, p1 Rib worked in rows (over an even number of sts)
Row 1: *K1, p1; rep from * to end of row.
Row 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.
Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib worked in rows.
NOTES
1. Sweater is worked in stranded colorwork, following a chart.
2. When working from chart, carry color(s) not in use across WS of piece. At
the end of every other rnd/row, twist working yarn around unused colors to
secure strands. If carrying a color across 5 or more sts, twist yarns on WS
to prevent overly long strands (floats) on the WS.
3. When working from chart in rnds, read every rnd of chart from right to left.
When working from chart in rows, read RS rows from right to left and WS
rows from left to right.
4. The body is worked from the lower edge upwards, then divided at
underarms.
5. Sleeves are worked separately, back and forth in rows, following a chart.
6. All pieces are worked with 2 strands of yarn held together. Wind one ball
of yarn color B into 2 separate balls before beginning.
7. When you see 'as established' in the instructions, this means to continue
in the current pattern st, lining up sts as in previous rows/rnds.

BODY
With longer needle and 2 strands of A held tog, cast on 210 sts.
Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with
the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds until piece measures about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm)
from beg.

Tip: When working Rnd 1 of chart, place a marker after each 35-st rep on chart
to help you follow the chart more easily. These markers should be a different
color than the beg of the rnd marker. Slip the markers on each rnd as you come
to them.

Beg with Rnd 1 of Chart, work in St st worked in rnds (k every rnd), changing
color following Chart for Body, until piece measures about 15 in. (38 cm) from
beg.

Shape Armholes
Place first 105 sts onto a holder for front. The rem 105 sts on your needle are for
back.

Back
Row 1 (RS): Kfb (this adds a selvedge st), knit, changing color following Chart as
established to last st, kfb (selvedge st added) – you'll have 107 sts.
Row 2 (WS): Sl 1 (selvedge st), purl, changing color following Chart to last st, p1
(selvedge st).
Continue in St st worked in rows (k on RS, p on WS) and following Chart, slipping
the first st and purling the last st (for selvedges), until piece measures about 22
in. (56 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Shape Shoulders**
**Rows 1-12:** Bind off 4 sts, work in St st and Chart as established to end of row. At the end of Row 12, you'll have 59 sts.

**Shape Right Shoulder and Neck**
**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established over 9 sts, place rem 46 sts onto a holder for back neck and left shoulder – 9 sts rem on needle for right shoulder.
**Row 2:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 5 sts.
Bind off rem 5 sts.

**Shape Left Shoulder and Neck**
Place the 46 back neck and left shoulder sts onto shorter needle.
**Row 1 (RS):** From RS and following Chart as established, rejoin yarn and bind off the first 33 sts for center back neck, work to end of row – 13 sts.
**Rows 2 and 3:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 5 sts in Row 3.
Bind off rem 5 sts.

**Front**
Place 105 front sts from holder onto longer needle.
**Row 1 (RS):** Kfb (selvedge st added), knit, following Chart as established to last st, kfb (selvedge st added) – 107 sts.
**Row 2 (WS):** Sl 1 (selvedge st), purl, following Chart to last st, p1 (selvedge st). Continue in St st worked in rows (k on RS, p on WS) and following Chart, slipping the first st and purling the last st (for selvedges), until piece measures about 22 in. (56 cm), end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Shape Left Neck and Shoulder**
**Row 1 (RS):** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established over 39 sts, place rem 64 sts onto a holder for right neck and shoulder – 39 sts rem on needle for left neck and shoulder.
**Row 2:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 35 sts.
**Row 3:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 31 sts.
**Row 4:** Bind off 2 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 29 sts.
**Rows 5-8:** Rep Rows 3 and 4 twice – 17 sts in Row 8.
**Row 9:** Rep Row 3 – 13 sts.
**Row 10:** Follow Chart as established to end of row.
**Rows 11-14:** Rep Rows 9 and 10 twice – 5 sts in Row 13.
Bind off rem 5 sts.

**Shape Right Shoulder and Neck**
Place the 64 right neck and shoulder sts on shorter needle.
**Row 1 (RS):** From RS and following Chart as established, rejoin yarn and bind
off the first 21 sts for center front neck, work to end of row – 43 sts.

**Rows 2 and 3:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 35 sts in Row 3.

**Row 4:** Bind off 4 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 31 sts.

**Row 5:** Bind off 2 sts, follow Chart as established to end of row – 29 sts.

**Rows 6-9:** Rep Rows 4 and 5 twice – 17 sts in Row 9.

**Row 10:** Rep Row 4 – 13 sts.

**Row 11:** Follow Chart as established to end of row.

**Rows 12-15:** Rep Rows 10 and 11 twice – 5 sts in Row 14.

Bind off rem 5 sts.

**SLEEVES (make 2)**
With shorter needle and 2 strands of A held tog, cast on 44 sts.
Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rows until piece measures about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) from beg.

**Row 1 (RS):** Sl 1 (selvedge st), knit following Row 1 of Chart for Sleeves to last st, p1 (selvedge st).

**Rows 2-8:** Continue working in St st and following Chart as established, slipping first st and purling last st for selvedges, for 7 rows.

**Row 9 (Increase Row – RS):** Sl 1, M1, follow Chart as established to last st, M1, p1 – 46 sts.

**Rows 10-16:** Continue as established, working increased sts into pattern, for 7 rows.

**Row 17:** Rep Row 9 – 48 sts.

**Rows 18-81:** Rep Rows 10-17 for 8 more times – 64 sts in Row 81.

Work even following Chart as established until piece measures about 19 1/2 in. (49.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

**Shape Cap**

**Rows 1-10:** Bind off 6 sts, follow Chart pattern to end of row.

Bind off rem 4 sts.

**FINISHING**
Sew shoulder seams.

**Neck Ribbing**
From RS with shorter needle and 2 strands of A held tog, pick up and k94 sts evenly spaced around neck edge.
Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle.

Work in K1, p1 Rib worked in rnds for about 3 in. (7.5 cm).
Bind off.
Sew in Sleeves.
Sew Sleeve seams.

Weave in ends.
Block to measurements.

**ABBREVIATIONS**
beg = begin(ning)
k = knit
p = purl
rem = remain(ing)(s)
rep = repeat
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
st(s) = stitch(es)
St st = Stockinette stitch
tog = together
WS = wrong side

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