





YARN : YARNART FLOWERS ALPACA 435 - 3 pcs

**BUTTONS**: 4 medium-sized buttons

NEEDLE : 3 mm

CIRCULAR NEEDLE : 4mm - 80cm

SIZE : S

Colored Stitch Markers

Stitch Holder or Spare Yarn

### **KNITTING TECHNIQUE**

We used the garter stitch in this pattern, meaning we knit every row, both on the front and back. Some people knit all rows in purl to create garter stitch. You can choose your method based on your habit. We used the knit stitch throughout.

#### PRE-KNITTING PREPARATION

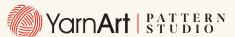
First, we will separate and cut the three skeins of Flowers Alpaca yarn into small balls, taking care to separate the color transitions. When preparing the yarn, we will continue with the color sequence according to the original color flow. For the body, we started with the middle color (green) and finished with purple. As we continue, we kept the color integrity by using the same colors for the armhole and neckline. If you pay attention to the color flow, you can achieve these amazing color transitions.

The cardigan is made up of 4 pieces: 2 front pieces and 2 back pieces. After knitting according to Diagram 1, the pieces will be sewn together, and then the sleeves and neckline will be knitted to complete the cardigan.

#### **TO INCREASE SIZE**

Size S: 50 stitches, Neck 80 cm
Size M: 59 stitches, Neck 85 cm
Size L: 68 stitches, Neck 90 cm
3 ize XL: 77 stitches, Neck 95 cm

For larger sizes, it is recommended to knit a 10cm x 10cm swatch using a 4mm needle and garter stitch. You can then calculate your measurements (width and length) and adjust your stitch count accordingly.





#### **LET'S START KNITTING**

For the start, cast on 50 stitches with needle (A) and place stitch marker (B). Then cast on 80 more stitches, making a total of 130 stitches. There are two main points to focus on: within the same row, there will be both increases and decreases. Place a stitch marker at the 130th stitch. If you use different colored markers, it will prevent confusion.

When knitting back, make an invisible increase immediately after the 130th stitch. Knit the 130th stitch, then make another invisible increase. Continue knitting until the 51st stitch. Now, we will decrease by knitting 3 stitches together: from stitch 51 to stitch 49 on the left side (Diagram 1). This decrease will continue until the armhole.

After each row, the stitch count will decrease as we perform this process. From the 130th stitch, we will increase two stitches, and at stitch 50, we will decrease two stitches. This will be repeated in each row. As we proceed with the decreases for the armhole, the neckline will be shaped with increases, and the neckline and shoulders will emerge.

#### **LEFT FRONT AND LEFT BACK**

When performing a 3-stitch decrease (K3TOGLEFT) on the left side, on the Right Front and Right Back, you will knit 3 stitches together and decrease by 2 stitches (please refer to Diagram 2 for the exact measurements).

After 30 cm of decreases and 30 cm of increases, place the stitches from the underarm, shoulder, and neckline onto stitch holders or spare yarn.

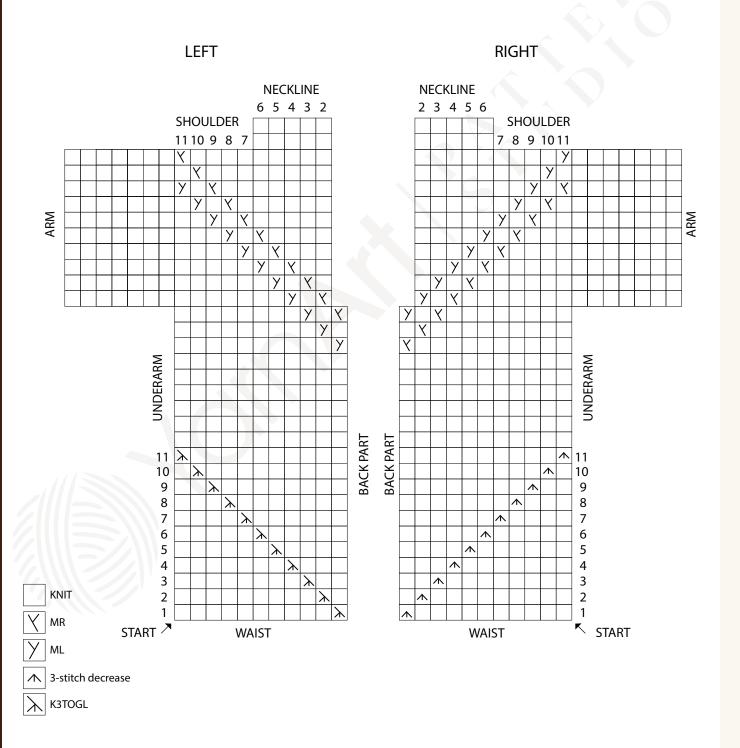
Thus, you will have 4 pieces in total: 1 left front, 1 right front, 1 left back, and 1 right back. Sew the side seams, center back, and both shoulders for 10cm.

For the neckline and sleeves, transfer the stitches from the stitch holder onto a 4mm circular needle and knit the neckline for 9cm and the sleeves for 46cm.

For the buttons, use a 3mm needle to make 15 chains for each buttonhole on the right side of the cardigan. Attach the buttons and complete the model.



## **DIAGRAM 1**





# **DIAGRAM 2**

