

# Debbie Bliss



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### SIZE

One size.

### MATERIALS

One 50g hank of Debbie Bliss Lhasa in Pewter 03.  
Pair each 5mm (US 8) and 6mm (US 10) knitting needles.

### TENSION

16 sts and 24 rows to 10cm/4in over st st using 6mm (US 10) needles.

### ABBREVIATIONS

**beg** = beginning; **cm** = centimetres;  
**cont** = continue; **dec** = decrease;  **foll** = following;  
**k** = knit; **m1** = make one st by picking up and working into back of loop lying between st just worked and next st; **p** = purl; **rem** = remaining;  
**rep** = repeat; **st(s)** = stitch(es).

### FRONT

With 5mm (US 8) needles, cast on 31 sts.

**Moss st row** K1, [p1, k1] to end.

Rep this row once more.

Change to 6mm (US 10) needles.

**1st row** (right side) K1, p1, m1, k to last 2 sts, m1, p1, k1.

**2nd row** K1, p to last st, k1.

Rep the last 2 rows 7 times more. 47 sts.

**Next row** (right side) K1, p1, k to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

**Next row** K1, p to last st, k1.

Rep the last 2 rows until front measures 13cm/5in from cast on edge.

#### Shape front neck

**Next row** K1, p1, k16, turn and cont on these 18 sts only, leave rem sts on a spare needle.

**Next row** Slipping the first st, cast off 2 sts, p to last st, k1.

**Next row** K1, p1, k to end.

Rep the last 2 rows twice more. 12 sts.

Dec 1 st at beg of next 2 wrong side rows. 10 sts.

Keeping 2 sts in moss st at side edge, cont until front measures 20cm/8in from cast on edge, ending with a wrong side row.

Using a length of contrast yarn, cast off.

With right side facing, slip 11 sts at centre front onto a holder, rejoin yarn to rem 18 sts, then slipping the 1st st, cast off 2 sts, k to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

**Next row** K1, p to end.

**Next row** Slipping the first st, cast off 2 sts, k to last st, p1, k1.

Rep the last 2 rows once more. 12 sts.

**Next row** K1, p to end.

Dec 1 st at beg of next row and foll right side row. 10 sts.

Keeping 2 sts in moss st at side edge, cont until front measures 20cm/8in from cast on edge, ending with a wrong side row.

Cast off with a length of contrast yarn.

### BACK

With 5mm (US 8) needles, cast on 41 sts.

**Moss st row** K1, [p1, k1] to end.

Rep this row once more.

Change to 6mm (US 10) needles.

**1st row** (right side) K1, p1, m1, k to last 2 sts, m1, p1, k1.

**2nd row** K1, p to last st, k1.

Rep the last 2 rows twice more. 47 sts.

**Next row** (right side) K1, p1, k to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

**Next row** K1, p to last st, k1.

Rep the last 2 rows until back measures 9cm/3½in, ending with a wrong side row.

**Next row** With a length of contrast yarn, cast off 10 sts, slip next 27 sts onto a holder, cast off rem 10 sts with contrast yarn.

### COLLAR

Join the right shoulder by grafting together the 10 sts of the last main yarn row of right front and right back.

With right side facing and 5mm (US 8) needles, pick up and k22 sts down left front neck, k across 11 sts at centre front, pick up and k22 sts up right front neck, then k across 27 sts on centre back neck holder. 82 sts.

**1st rib row** (wrong side) P2, [k2, p2] to end.

**2nd rib row** K2, [p2, k2] to end.

Rep these 2 rows until collar measures approximately 6cm/2¼in or until there is just enough yarn to cast off in rib and work the left shoulder grafting.

Join collar seam then join the left shoulder by grafting together the 10 sts of the last main yarn row of back and front. Lightly press on the wrong side to minimise the edges curling.