IRISH ARAN



MATERIALS: Selkirk 113g x 7 (8)

NEEDLES: 4mm (US 6), 4.5mm (US 7) needles and 4mm (US 6) 4ocm (16 in.) circular or double pointed needles (or needle size to give correct tension)

TENSION: 18 sts and 28 rows=4 inches on 4.5mm (US 7) needles over Double Seed Stitch (Work at least 25 sts of the Double Seed Stitch to achieve a usable swatch)

Our quantities are based on sample garments completed by our knitters. Quantities may vary from knitter to knitter. Please make sure to do a tension swatch for accurate gauge. Instructions appear as Medium (Large). When there is only one instruction, it applies to both sizes.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Width 44" (49") Length = approximately 26" Sleeve Length = 18"

ABBREVIATIONS

K2tog = knit two stitches together sl 1 (2) = slip one (two) st(s) from left needle to right needle, knitwise, without working cn = cable needle

C4R = cable 4 to the right (sl 2 to cn, hold in back, K2, K2 from cn)

C4L = cable 4 to the left (sl 2 to cn, hold in front, K2, K2 from cn)

T4L = twist 4 to the left (sl 2 to cn, hold in front, P2, K2 from cn)

T4R = twist 4 to the right (sl 2 to cn, hold in back, K2, P2 from cn)

T3L = twist 3 to the left (sl 2 to cn, hold in front, P1, K2 from cn)

T3R = twist 3 to the right (sl 1 to cn, hold in back, K2, P1 from cn)

* *=repeat instructions between *'s

PATTERN STITCHES USED

DOUBLE SEED STITCH

(Multiple of 2 sts, plus 1)

Row 1: *P1, K1* rep to last st, P1

Row 2: *K1, P1* rep to last st K1

Row 3: *K1, P1* rep to last st K1

Row 4: *P1 , K1* rep to last st P1

Repeat Rows 1-4 for Pattern.

PRETZEL BRAID PANEL

(20 st Panel)

Note: Pattern begins on a wrong side row.

Row 1: *K4, P4* twice, K4.

Row 2: *P4, C4R* twice, P4.

Row 3: as Row 1.

Row 4: P2, T4R, T4L, T4R, T3L, P3.

Row 5: K3, P2, K3, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 6: P2, K2, P4, C4L, P3, T3L, P2.

Row 7: K2, P2, K4, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 8: P2, T4L, T4R, T4L, P2, K2, P2.

Row 9: *K2, P2* twice, K4, P4, K4.

Row 10 P4, C4R, P4, *K2, P2* twice.

Row 11: *K2, P2* twice, K4, P4, K4.

Row 12: P2, T4R, T4L, T4R, P2, K2, P2.

Row 13: K2, P2, K4, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 14: P2, K2, P4, C4L, P3, T3R, P2.

Row 15: K3, P2. K3, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 16: P2, T4L, T4R, T4L, T3R, P3.

Row 17: *K4, P4* twice, K4.

Row 18: *P4, C4R* twice, P4.

Row 19: as row 17.

Row 20: P3, T3R, T4L, T4R, T4L, P2

Row 21: K2, P2, K4, P4, K3, P2, K3.

Row 22: P2, T3R, P3, C4L, P4, K2, P2.

Row 23: K2, P2, K4, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 24: P2, K2, P2, T4R, T4L, T4R, P2.

Row 25: K4, P4, K4, *P2, K2* twice.

Row 26: *P2, K2* twice, P4, C4R, P4.

Row 27: K4, P4, K4, *P2, K2* twice.

Row 28: P2, K2, P2, T4L, T4R, T4L, P2.

Row 29: K2, P2, K4, P4, K4, P2, K2.

Row 30: P2, T3L, P3, C4L, P4, K2, P2.

Row 31: K2, P2, K4, P4, K3, P2, K3.

Row 32: P3, T3L, T4R, T4L, T4R, P2.

Repeat Rows 1-32 for Panel.

SAXON BRAID

(28 st Panel)

Note Pattern begins on a wrong side row

Row 1: *K4, P4* three times, K4,

Row 2: *P4, C4R* three times, P4.

Row 3: as Row 1.

Row 4: P3, T3R, *T4L, T4R* twice, T3L, P3.

Row 5: K3, P2, K3, P4, K4 P4, K3, P2, K3.

Row 6: P2, T3R, P3, C4L, P4, C4L, P3, T3L, P2.

Row 7: K2, P2, *K4, P4* twice, K4, P2, K2.

Row 8: P2, K2, P2, *T4R, T4L* twice, P2, K2, P2.

Row 9: *K2, P2* twice, K4, P4, K4, *P2, K2* twice.

Row 10: *P2, K2* twice, P4, C4R, P4, *K2, P2* twice.

Row 11: as Row 9.

Row 12: P2, K2, P2, *T4L, T4R* twice, P2, K2, P2.

Row 13: as Row 7

Row 14: P2, T3L, P3, C4L, P4, C4L, P3, T3R, P2.

Row 15: as Row 5.

Row 16: P3, T3L, *T4R, T4L* twice, T3R, P3.

Repeat Rows 1-16 for Panel.

BACK: With 4mm (US 6) needles cast on 112

(124) sts. Change to 4.5mm (US7).

Foundation row (Right Side): Work 7 (13) sts in Double Seed Stitch, *P4, K4* twice, P4, 15 sts in Double Seed Stitch, *P4, K4* three times, P4, 15 sts in Double Seed Stitch, *P4,

K4* twice, P4, 7 (13) sts in Double Seed

Stitch. Next row (wrong side): Work 7 (13) sts in Double Seed Stitch, 20 sts in Pretzel Braid

beginning on Row 1, 15 sts in Double Seed Stitch, 28 sts in Saxon Braid, beginning on

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Pretzel Braid, beginning on Row 17, 7 (13) sts

in Double Seed Stitch.

Continue to work all sts in pattern from the established starting rows until piece measures approximately 26 inches from cast on edge (ending on right side pattern Row 2 or 8 of Saxon Braid). Next row, work 35 (41) sts, place center 42 sts on a holder, join on more yarn and work across remaining 35 (41)

sts. Cast off 35 (41) sts for shoulder on each

side ending on the same pattern row as Back). and every following 4th row until 100 (108) Cast off 35 (41) sts for shoulder on each side. sts, incorporating newly created sts in Double

16 rows below last row of Back. Work across 42 (48) sts, place center 28 sts on holder. Join on more yarn and work across remaining 42 (48) sts. Working both sides at the same time, 4mm (US 6) circular or double pointed cast off from each neck edge every alternate row, 2 sts twice. Decrease 1 st at each neck edge every following alternate row, three times. 35 (41) sts remain on each side. Work 5 more rows (ending on the same pattern row more times to last 3 sts on holder, slip and K2 as Back). Cast off 35 (41 sts) each side.

SLEEVES: With 4.5mm (US 7) needles, Cast on K 2 sts to back holder, slip and K8, *K2tog K2* 58 (66) sts.

Foundation Row: Work 15 (19) sts in Double Seed Stitch, *P4, K4* three times, P4, 15 (19) sts in Double Seed Stitch. Next row: Work 15 (19) sts in Double Seed Stitch, center 28 sts in Saxon Braid, beginning on Row 1, 15 (19) sts in Double Seed Stitch. Continue to work sts in pattern as established for 3 more rows. Increase 1 st at each end of needle on next

Seed Stitch. Work even until Sleeve measures FRONT: Work as given for Back ending exactly 18 inches, or desired length. Cast off, placing a marker at center of cast off edge.

> **NECKBAND:** Sew both shoulder seams. With needles, right side facing, begin at left shoulder seam. Pick up and K 20 sts down left front neck edge to holder, slip and K1, *K2tog K2* from front holder. Repeat between *'s 5 tog, K1. Pick up and K 20 sts up right front neck edge to right shoulder seam. Pick up and from front holder. Repeat between *'s 5 more times to last 10 sts on holder, slip and K2tog, K8. Pick up and K2 sts to left shoulder seam. 100 sts. Join into round. Knit next round and then purl one round. Cast off.

FINISHING: Sew in Sleeves, matching center cast off markers to shoulder seams. Sew side and sleeve seams.