TOP "BAHAMAS"

YARN
ADRIAFIL YARNS

MATERIALS
250 g Swing yarn in colour no. 85
Knitting Needles N° 41/2 and 5
Tapestry Needle

SIZE: 42 (44-46)

PATTERN STITCHES

Garter stitch.
Diamond stitch (work in multiples of 10 + 1):

Row 1: knit

Row 2 and next even rows: purl

Row 3: k3, k2 tog., 1 yo, * k1, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1, * rep. from * to * ending with k1, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k3

Row 5: k2, k2 tog., 1 yo, k1, * k2, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1, * rep. from * to * ending with k2, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k2

Row 7: k1, k2 tog., 1 yo, k2, * k3, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1, * rep. from * to * ending with k3, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k1

Row 9: k2 tog., 1 yo, k3, * k4, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1, * rep. from * to * ending with k4, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over

Row 11: k1, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k2, * k3, k2 tog., 1 yo, k1, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k2, * rep. from * to * ending with k3, k2 tog., 1 yo, k1

Row 13: k2, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k1, * k2, k2 tog., 1 yo, k3, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over k1, * rep. from * to * ending with k2, k2 tog., 1 yo, k2

Row 15: k3, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1 pass slipped stitch over * k1, k2 tog., 1 yo, k5, 1 yo, slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over * rep. from * to * ending with k1, k2 tog., 1 yo, k3

Row 17: k4, 1 yo, * slip 1, knit 2 tog., pass slipped stitch over, 1 yo, k7, 1 yo *, rep. from * to * ending with slip 1, knit 2 tog., pass slipped stitch over, 1 yo, 4 m. dir.

Row 19: rep. from row 3

K2/p2 Rib stitch

GAUGES

10x10 cm using knitting needles no. 41/2 in diamond stitch = 17 sts. and 22 rows
10x10 cm using knitting needles no. 5 in k2/p2 rib stitch = 27 sts. and 21 rows

WORKING INSTRUCTIONS

Back: using knitting needles no. 41/2 cast on 109 (119-129) sts. and work, for the border, 12 rows in garter stitch. Cont. in diamond stitch decreasing 6 sts in row 1 and working at ends 1 edge stitch. When work measures 23 (24-25) cm, for the drawstring work 1 hole at the centre of each group of 7 knitted stitches of the diamonds (for the hole work: k2, k2 tog., 1 yo, k3); purl the return row. Cont. in k2/p2 rib stitch using knitting needles no. 5, decreasing 21 (27-33) sts spaced evenly in row 1. When work measures 39 (41-43) cm, to shape the armholes bind off at ends, every 2 rows, 7 sts, 1 st. 3 times. When work measures 8 cm. from beg. of armholes, to shape the neckline bind off the 18 (20-22) centre sts and cont. over the two parts separately decreasing, centrewise, every 2 rows, 2 sts twice. When work measures 12 cm. from beg. of neckline bind off the 18 [19-20] remaining sts for the shoulders.

Front: work in same way as back until work measures 39 (41-43) cm., then to shape the armholes bind off 8 sts at ends. When work measures 4 cm. from the armholes, to shape the neckline bind off the 20 (22-24) centre sts and cont. over the two parts separately decreasing, centrewise, every 2 rows, 4 sts, 1 st. When work measures 16 cm. from beg. of neckline bind off the 18 (19-20) remaining sts for the shoulders.

MAKING UP AND FINISH

Sew up the sides and the shoulders. For the waistband string, cut 8 150 cm strands joining them in groups of 4 to form a string braiding it into the drawstring and joining the ends in a knot.