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designed by Mona Schmidt for Espace Tricot
**finished measurements**
48 (56, 64)” hip circumference, S/M [(L/XL), (2XL/3XL)]

**yarn**
Debbie Bliss Fine Donegal – 3 (5, 6) balls
(95% wool, 5% cashmere; 380 m / 415 yds)
Shibui Silk Cloud – 4 (6, 8) skeins
(70% kid mohair, 30% silk; 300 m / 330 yds)
about 1180 (1700, 2300) yds of each yarn

**needles and notions**
5.0 mm (US8) 24” circular needle
4.0 mm (US6) 24” circular needle
or sizes needed to obtain gauge
removable stitch markers
tapestry needle

**gauge**
19 sts and 24 rows in 4” / 10 cm
Stockinette Stitch on larger needles

**notes**
Left back of sweater is knit first, stitches for right half are picked up from cast on edge.
Front is knit separately. After sewing up the sweater, the turtleneck is added by picking up stitches around the neck opening.
Note: All slipped stitches are slipped purlwise unless otherwise noted.

**LEFT BACK**
With both yarns held together, cast on **118 (126, 136)** sts on larger needles.
Work **Set-up row (WS)**: P1, k1, p1, k1, purl to end of row.

**Row 1 (RS)**: Knit to last 4 sts, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, k1.

**Row 2 (WS)**: Sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, purl to end.
Repeat these two rows until piece measures **9 (11, 13)**”.

**Next (dec) row (RS)**: Knit to last 6 sts, k2tog, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, k1.
Work WS row as before.
Repeat row 1 and 2 of pattern once more.
Repeat these four rows **2 times more**.

**Next (dec) row (RS)**: Knit to last 7 sts, k3tog, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, k1.
Work WS row as before.
Repeat these two rows **2 times more** – **109 (117, 127)** sts. Place a removable marker into this row.
– **Piece should measure 12 (14, 16)**”.

Work 6 rows in Stockinette Stitch.

**Next (dec) row (RS)**: k1, k2tog, work to last 3 sts, ssk, k1.
Beg with a WS row, work 5 rows in Stockinette Stitch.
Repeat last 6 rows **13 times more** – **81 (89, 99)** sts.
Work until piece measures **16” from removable marker**.
Bind off.

**RIGHT BACK**
Pick up and knit **118 (126, 136)** sts from cast-on edge.
**Work Set-up row (WS)**: Purl to last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1
**Row 1 (RS)**: ktbl, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, knit to end.
**Row 2 (WS)**: purl to last 5 sts, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif.
Repeat these two rows until piece measures **9 (11, 13)**”.

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Next (dec) row (RS): k1tbl, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, ssk, knit to end.
Work WS as before.
Repeat row 1 and 2 of pattern once more.
Repeat these four rows **2 times more**.

Next (dec) row (RS): k1tbl, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyif, ssk, knit to end.
Work WS as before.
Repeat these two rows **2 times more** – 109 (117, 127) sts. **Place a removable marker into this row.**
- **Piece should measure 12 (14, 16)”**. **Make sure you have the same number of rows as on left back.**

Next (RS) row: k1tbl, knit to end.
Work WS row.
Work 4 more rows in Stockinette Stitch.

Next (dec) row (RS): k1, k2tog, work to last 3 sts, ssk, k1.
Beg with a WS row, work 5 rows in Stockinette Stitch.
Repeat last 6 rows **13 times more** – 81 (89, 99) sts.
Work until piece measures 16” from removable marker.
Bind off.

**FRONT**

With smaller needles, cast on 110 (128, 146) sts.
Beginning with a WS row, work 4 rows in Stockinette Stitch.

Next (WS) row: knit (turning row).
Switch to larger needles.
Continue in Stockinette Stitch until piece measures 2” from turning row.

Next (dec) row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1.
Work 5 rows in Stockinette Stitch.
Repeat last 6 rows 18 times – 72 (90, 108) sts
Continue working in Stockinette Stitch until piece measures 21 (23, 25)’’ from turning row.

Begin neck decreases as follows:
K21 (30, 35) sts, bind off 30 (30, 38) sts, knit to end of row.
Continue working on **right front** of sweater: Purl WS.
**Next (RS) row:** Bind off 2 sts at neck edge, knit to end of row.
Work WS row.
Repeat last two rows **2 more times**.

**Next (RS) row:** Bind off 1 st at neck edge, knit to end of row.
Work WS row.
Repeat last two rows **once more**.

Work Stockinette Stitch on remaining 13 (22, 27) sts until piece measures 3” from **neck bind off**.
Bind off.

*Work left front of sweater:*

**Join yarn on WS** (neck edge), bind off 2 sts, purl to end of row.
Work RS row.
Repeat last two rows **2 more times**.

**Next (WS) row:** Bind off 1 st at neck edge, purl to end of row.
Work RS row.
Repeat last two rows **once more**.

Work Stockinette Stitch on remaining 13 (22, 27) sts until piece measures 3” (make sure you have the same number of rows on both fronts) from **neck bind off**.
Bind off.

**FINISHING**

From middle of top back, measure 5” on each side and place removable markers. Start joining the shoulder sts from fronts at these markers – seam is about 3 (5, 6)” long.

Continue seaming the back toward the front for 14 (15, 16)” more – there should remain 10 (11, 12)” to seam from bottom.

At the bottom, begin where removable markers have been placed and seam upwards on front for 10 (11, 12)”.
Seam remaining edges for sleeves.
Fold hem of front at turning row and sew to inside.
Weave in all ends.
NECKLINE
With smaller needles and beginning at right shoulder seam, pick up and knit 46 (46, 54) sts from back of piece, 6 sts along straight neck edge, one st each into bound off sts (46, 46, 54), and 6 sts more on straight neck edge – 104 (104, 120) sts.

Work 1x1 rib until piece measures 5”.
Bind off loosely and weave in ends.
Wet block for best results.

glossary
k – knit
p – purl
sl – slip stitch
k2tog – knit 2 stitches together
k3tog – knit 3 stitches together
k1tbl – knit 1 stitch through the back loop
wyif – with yarn in front
Happy knitting!

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