

## #235 Bluebell V-Neck Cardigan

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### Finished Sizes:

35.8 (39, 42.2, 45.4, 48.6)''

### Materials:

9 (10, 11, 12, 13) sks Valley Yarns Hadley (50%wool/50% silk, 50g/109yds) color Indigo US size 6 needles or size needed to obtain gauge  
Stitch holders, stitch markers

### Gauge:

20 sts and 26 rows = 4'' in St st

### Abbreviations:

yo = yarn over  
k2tog = knit two together  
ssk = slip two sts, one by one, as if to knit; in sertip of left hand needle up into both sts and knit them together

sl2tog-k1-p2sso = slip 2 sts as if to k2tog, knit 1, pass the 2 slipped sts over the knit st

pm = place marker

sm = slip marker

kfb = knit in the front and back of next st

### Lower Body:

Using long-tail cast on, co 179 (195, 211, 227, 243) sts.

Setup Row 1: K across.

Setup Row 2: K1, p to last st, k1.

Work Bluebell Lace Stitch as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, ssk, yo, \*k1, yo, sl2tog-k1-p2sso, yo; rep from \* to last 4 sts, k1, yo, k2tog, k1.

Row 2 and all WS rows: K1, p to last st, k1.

Row 3: K1, ssk, yo, \*k5, yo, sl2tog-k1-p2sso, yo; rep from \* to last 8 sts, k5, yo, k2tog, k1.

Row 5: As Row 3.

Row 7: K3, \*yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k3; rep from \* to end.

Row 9: As Row 1.

Row 11: K1, \* ssk, yo, k5, yo, k2tog, \* k to last 10 sts, rep bet \*s, k1.

Row 13: As Row 11.

Row 15: K3, \* yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, \* k to last 8 sts, rep bet \*s, k3.

Row 17: K1, \* ssk, yo, k1, yo, sl2tog-k1-p2sso, yo, k1, yo, k2tog, \* k to last 10 sts, rep between \*s, k1.

Row 18: As Row 2.

Repeat Rows 11-18 for pattern until piece measures 2.75 (3, 3.25, 3.5, 3.75)'', from cast on, ending with a RS row.

Next row (WS): K1, p 45 (49, 53, 57, 61), pm, p88 (96, 104, 112, 120), pm, p44 (48, 52, 56, 60), k1.

\*\*Waist Shaping Decrease Row (RS): \*Work in pattern (continuing to work the lace motif at beginning and end of the row) to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, sm, k1, ssk; rep once from \*, work in pattern to end of row. Work 7 rows plain in pattern.

Rep from \*\* 4 more times. 159 (175, 191, 207, 223) sts

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Rep from \*\* 4 more times. 179 (195, 211, 227, 243) sts.

Work even until piece measures approx. 15 (15.5, 16, 16.5, 17)'' from cast on edge, ending with a WS row.

### Left Front:

Next Row (RS): \*Work in pattern to 5 sts before marker, BO 10 sts for bottom of armhole, removing marker; rep from \* once, work in patt to end. Left front has 41 (45, 49, 53, 57) sts, Back has 78 (86, 94, 102, 110) sts, Right Front has 40 (44, 48, 52, 56) sts.

Now working just on the Left Front, decrease 1 st at armhole edge every RS row 5 times. AT THE SAME TIME, work neck shaping as follows:

\*\*Row 1 (RS): Work to last 12 sts, k2tog, work lace pattern to end. Work 3 rows in pattern.

Repeat from \*\* until 24 (27, 30, 33, 36) sts remain. Work even until armhole measures 8 (8.5, 9, 9.5, 10)'' ending with a WS row.

Shoulder Shaping:

Bind off 6 (8, 9, 11, 13) sts at beg of next RS row and then 7 (8, 10, 11, 12) sts at beg of next RS row after that. Work one WS row. Place remaining 11 sts on holder for later and cut yarn.

### Back:

With WS facing, join yarn at left armhole and work across back sts in St st.

Working in St st for the rest of back, decrease 1 st at beg and end of each RS row 5 times. 68 (76, 84, 92, 100) sts. Work even in St st until until armhole measures 8 (8.5, 9, 9.5, 10)'' to match left front, ending with a WS row.

Shoulder Shaping:

Bind off 6 (8, 9, 11, 13) sts at beg of next 2 rows and then 7 (8, 10, 11, 12) sts at beg of next 2 rows after that. Bind off remaining 42 (44, 46, 48, 50) sts.

### Right Front:

With WS facing, join yarn at right armhole and work across Right Front in pattern. Work as for Left Front, reversing shaping, until 23 (26, 29, 32, 35) sts remain. Work even until armhole measures 8 (8.5, 9, 9.5, 10)'' ending with a RS row.

Shoulder Shaping:

Bind off 6 (7, 9, 10, 12) sts at beg of next WS row and then 6 (8, 9, 11, 12) sts at beg of next WS row after that. Place remaining 11 sts on holder for later and cut yarn.

### Sleeves (make 2):

CO 43 (51, 51, 59, 59) sts. Knit 1 row, purl 1 row.

Work rows 1-9 of Bluebell Lace Stitch as for Lower Body, purling every WS row.

Work rest of sleeve in St st, increasing at beg and end of every 4<sup>th</sup> row 7 (0, 0, 0, 0) times and then every 6<sup>th</sup> row 7 (12, 14, 13, 15) times. 71 (75, 79, 85, 89) sts.

Work plain until sleeve measures 14 (14.5, 15, 15.5, 16)'' or desired length.

Sleeve Cap Shaping:

BO 5 sts at beg of next 2 rows 61 (65, 69, 75, 79) sts. Decrease at beg and end of each RS row 12 (13, 14, 15, 16) times. 37 (39, 41, 45, 47) sts. BO 2 sts at beg of next 6 rows, 3 sts at beg of next 4 rows, then BO remaining 13 (15, 17, 21, 23) sts

### Finishing:

Sew shoulder seams. Set in sleeves and sew up sleeve seams.

Collar:

Place 11 sts from Left Front holder back on needle. Work in lace patt until piece is long enough to reach middle of back neck.

Repeat for the stitches on Right Front holder. Sew pieces to back neck edge and sew both pieces together.

Block sweater, steaming if necessary, to make edges lay flat. Sew in hook and eye closure at spot where neck shaping starts.

