

## Sweater for Iplehouse BID (26 cm)

### “Tresses”

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#### Material:

- 1 ball fingering yarn
- needles 2,5mm (US n. 2)
- a cable needle or stitch holders or safety pins
- 3 little buttons or 3 beads

#### Abbreviations:

- **k:** knit (if you knit every stitch of every row, you get *garter stitch*)
- **p:** purl (if you knit one row and purl one row alternately, you get *stockinette stitch*).
- **sts:** stitches
- **stock st:** stockinette stitch
- **tog:** together
- **rep:** repeat
- **rib:** \* k1, p1 \* (repeat to end)
- **r:** row
- **\*** : asterisk denotes that you must repeat the sequence of stitches from that point.

- tog : together

**Gauge:**

Depending on how you knit (loosely or tightly), and of the yarn you are using, you may get different results, that is why it is important to check the gauge. So, for proper fit, please take the time to check your gauge.

Knit a swatch (always add a few extra stitches and work more rows because the edge stitches will be distorted) and measure the gauge on a flat surface. Count and mark the stitches with pins, then measure between the pins. If your marked stitches measure less, use larger needles and measure again. If they measure more, try using smaller needles.

Gauge : 2 inches x 2 inches made in stockinette stitch = 16 stchs x 22 rows

**Stitches used :**

- Stockinette stitch
- 1 x 1 ribbing : first row \* k1, p1 \* and second row : work sts as they appear.
- Cable st : explained below

**Front :**

Cast on 34 st using needles 2,5 mm (US n.2)

Work 6 rows 1 x 1 ribbing

Row 7: begin the cable st : k1 (the first st and the last one will allways be k1) \* p1, k6, p1 \* k1.

Row 8 and all even rows : work the sts as they appear, except the first and the last one that are always k1.

Row 9 : k1, \* p1, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p1 \* repeat till the end of the row, finish with k1.

Row 10 : work sts as they appear.

Row 11 : k1, \* p1, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, the knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle , p1 \* repeat till the end of the row, finish with k1.

Row 12 : work sts as they appear.

Repeat rows 9 to 12, 8 times in total.

**The neck :**

Row 1 : k1, p1, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p2, k2, cast off 10 sts, k2, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p1, k1.

Row 2 : work the sts as they appear, put the other sts onto a stitch holder.

Row 3 : cast off 1 st, p2, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle, p1, k1.

Row 4 : k2, p6, k2, p1.

Cast off.

Take the sts from the stitch holder and work them as they appear.

Following row : k1, p1, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle, p2, k2tog.

Even row : p1, k2, p6, k2.

Cast off. See photo below :



**Back :**

Cast on 34 sts needles 2,5 mm (US 2)

Work 6 rows 1 x 1 ribbing

Row 7: begin the cable st : k1 (the first st and the last one will always be k1) \* p1, k6, p1 \* k1.

Row 8 and all even rows : work the sts as they appear, except the first and the last one that are always k1.

Row 9 : k1, \* p1, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p1 \* repeat till the end of the row, finish with k1.

Row 10 : work sts as they appear.

Row 11 : k1, \* p1, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and

then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle , p1 \* repeat till the end of the row, finish with k1.

Row 12 : work sts as they appear.

Repeat rows 9 to 12, 4 times in total.

Separate work in two pieces : k1, p1, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p2, lip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p1 and put the other sts onto a stitch holder.

Continue with the cable st till the neck, so you must have rows 9 to 12 repeated 8 times in total like the front, except that the work is divided in the middle.

Neck :

Repeat row 9

Even row : cast off 5 sts at the begining of the row, and work sts as they appear.

Repeat row 11

Even row : cast off 1 st at the begining of the row and work sts as they appear.

Cast off.

Take the sts from the stitch holder and work the other side reversing all shaping. That is : you have to cast on on odd rows.

See picture below :



When the back is finished, sew the shouler seams with invisible st. See photo below:



**Turtleneck :**

Pick up 32 sts along the edge of the neck and work 1 x 1 ribbing during 14 rows.  
Cast off. See photo below :



**Sleeves :**

Pick up 26 sts along the edge of the front and back beginning at 2" from the bottom of the front.

Row 1 and 2 : stockinette st.

Row 3 : k8, p2, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p2, k8.

Even row : work the sts as they appear.

Row 5 : k8, p2, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, the knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle , p2, k8.

Row 6 : work sts as they appear.

Row 7 : k2tog, k6, p2, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p2, k6, k2tog.

Row 8 : work sts as they appear.

Row 9 : k7, p2, k2, slip 2 st in front of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle, p2, k7.

Row 10 : work sts as they appear.

Row 11 : k7, p2, slip 2sts onto a cable needle and hold them in the back of the work, then knit the next 2 sts on the knitting needle and then knit the 2sts from the cable needle, k2, p2, k7.

Row 12 : work sts as they appear.

Row 13 : the same as r. 9

Repeat rows 11 to 13, 3 more times.

Following row : k2tog, \* 1 x 1 ribbing \* k2tog.

Work 5 r more 1 x 1 ribbing.

Cast off.

Work the other sleeve the same way. See photo below:



### **Seams :**

Cable stitch tend to shrink. To avoid that, pin the seater, hold an iron set on the steam setting 1/2" above the knitted surface and direct the steam over the entire surface, except the ribbing. Leave the sweater pinned until it is dry.

Sew the side seams and under the arms with invisible st.

Make 3 button loops and sew 3 buttons or beads at the back.  
See picture below:



**Advices to put the sweater on the doll :**

Remove the wig (this will prevent damaging the wig), remove the face plate (this will prevent damaging the eyelashes), wrap masking tape around the hands of the doll (this will prevent the fingers to stuck into the sts). See picture below :





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