**Skill Level**  
| Easy |

**Sizes**  
Woman’s small (medium, large, extra-large, 2X-large) instructions are given for smallest size, with larger sizes in parentheses. When only 1 number is given, it applies to all sizes.

**Finished Measurements**  
- **Chest:** 34 (38, 42, 46, 50) inches  
- **Length:** 17 (18, 19, 20, 22) inches

**Materials**  
- Worsted weight yarn (76 yds/50g per ball): 5 (6, 7, 8, 10) balls robin’s egg  
- Size 10½ (6.5mm) 16- and 32-inch circular needles or size needed to obtain gauge  
- Stitch markers  
- Stitch holders

**Gauge**  
- 16 sts and 20 rows = 4 inches/10cm in St st  
- 17½ sts and 20 rows = 4 inches/10cm in Dragon Skin pat  
To save time, take time to check gauge.

**Special Abbreviation**  
**M1 (Make 1):** Inc by k1 in back of strand between st just worked and next st on LH needle.

**The Interesting Dragon Skin Front Panel Looks Harder Than It Is!**
Pattern Stitches

A. Dragon Skin

Side Panels (panel of 11 sts)

Rnd 1 and all odd-numbered rnds: Knit.

Rnd 2: M1, ssk, k4, k2tog, k3, M1.

Rnd 4: M1, k1, ssk, k2, k2tog, k4, M1.

Rnd 6: M1, k2, ssk, k2tog, k5, M1.

Rnd 8: M1, k3, ssk, k4, k2tog, M1.

Rnd 10: M1, k4, ssk, k2, k2tog, k1, M1.

Rnd 12: M1, k5, ssk, k2tog, k2, M1.

Rep Rnds 1–12 for pat.

B. Dragon Skin Center Panel (panel of 24 sts)

Rnd 1 and all odd-numbered rnds: Knit.

Rnd 2: M1, ssk, k4, k2tog, k3, M1, k2, M1, k3, ssk, k4, k2tog, k1, M1.

Rnd 4: M1, k1, ssk, k2, k2tog, k4, M1, k2, M1, k4, ssk, k2, k2tog, k1, M1.

Rnd 6: M1, k2, ssk, k2tog, k5, M1, k2, M1, k5, ssk, k2tog, k1, M1.

Rnd 8: M1, k3, ssk, k4, k2tog, M1, k2, M1, k4, ssk, k2, k2tog, k2, M1.

Rnd 10: M1, k4, ssk, k2, k2tog, k1, M1, k2, M1, k1, ssk, k2, k2tog, k4, M1.

Rnd 12: M1, k5, ssk, k2tog, [k2, M1] twice, k2, ssk, k2tog, k5, M1.

Rep Rnds 1–12 for pat.

Pattern Note

Work all dec 1 st in from edge.

Body

Cast on 138 (154, 170, 186, 202) sts, place marker and join without twisting. Knit across 56 (64, 72, 80, 88) sts, place marker (back), work Dragon Skin side panel over 11 left side sts, place marker, knit across 18 (22, 26, 30, 34) sts, place marker, work Dragon Skin center panel over 24 sts, place marker, knit across 18 (22, 26, 30, 34) sts, place marker, work Dragon Skin side panel over 11 right side sts.

Shape sides

Continue to work in established pats, and at the same time, on Rnds 6, 18 and 24, at beg of rnd ssk, work to 2 sts before next marker, k2tog, work side panel, ssk, work to 2 sts before side panel, k2tog. Work even in pat until completion of Rnd 35. (126, 142, 158, 174, 190 sts)

On Rnds 36, 48 and 60, at beg of rnd, M1, work to next marker, M1, work side panel, M1, work to next side panel, M1, (138, 154, 170, 186, 202 sts)

Work even until body measures approx 10 (10½, 11, 11½, 13) inches, ending with an odd numbered rnd.

Divide for front and back

Knit across back sts, knit 5 sts of left side panel, turn. Purl across back sts and 5 sts of right side panel. Leave front sts on holder or spare needle.

Shape back armholes

Working back and forth in St st over these 66 (74, 82, 90, 98) sts, dec 1 st at each side [every other row] 8 (10, 12, 14, 16) times. (50, 54, 58, 62, 66 sts)

Work even until armhole measures approx 7 (7½, 8, 8½, 9) inches, place rem sts on holder.

Front

Maintaining center pat, work on rem 72 (80, 88, 96, 104) front sts, dec 1 st at each edge [every other row] 8 (10, 12, 14, 16) times as for back until front measures same as back. (56, 60, 64, 68, 72 sts)

Join shoulders

Sl back shoulders on needle. Join first and last 11 (12, 13, 14, 15) sts for shoulders, using 3-Needle Bind Off.

Neck Band

With 16-inch circular needle, knit across rem 34 (36, 38, 40, 42) front sts and 28 (30, 32, 34, 36) back sts from back and join, working a total of 4 rnds and continuing Dragon Skin center panel into band. Bind off all sts.