Size: (0-3m, 3-6m) 6-12m, 12m (18m, 24m), 3/4y, 5/6y (7/8y, 9/10y) 11/12y, 13y/14y

Materials: Approximately (2, 2) 2, 3 (3, 3) 3, 3 (3, 4) 4, 4 (5, 5) 6, 6 (6, 6) skeins of Premier Yarns Elle By Me Charlotte yarn (196yds/150g), (4, 4) 5, 5 (6, 6) 6, 6 (7, 7) 8, 8 (8, 9) 9, 9 (10, 10) 5/8in buttons, yarn needle, stitch markers

Needle Size: 9(US) 5.5mm circular needles, 10(US) 6mm circular

Gauge (tension): 18sts & 26 rows to make 10cm square, using size 10(US) 6mm needles working in stockinette stitch

Chest Measurement: (41, 44) 47, 50 (52, 54) 57, 61 (66, 72) 78, 84 cms or (16, 17.25)18.5, 19.5 (20.5, 21) 22.5,24, (26, 28.25) 30.75, 33 ins

METHOD

This pattern is for a drop sleeve style that is worked flat from the bottom up with 10cm of ease. Model is wearing an 9/10y size Anna Cardigan. If you are a left-handed knitter there are notations to help you throughout.

LEAH STITCH PATTERN

Row 1 – [k2, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1, k1] across to last 5 sts, k2, p1, k2
Row 2 – [p2, k1, p3, k1, p1, k1] across to last 5 sts, p2, k1, p2
Row 3 – [k1, p1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k2] across to last 5 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1,k1
Row 4 – [p1, k1, p1, k1, p3, k1, p2] across to last 5 sts, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1
Row 5 – [p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k2, p1, k2] across to last 5sts, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1
Row 6 – [, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1,p2, k1, p2] across to last 5sts, , k1, p1, k1, p1, k1
Row 7 – [k1, p1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k2] across to last 5 sts, k1, p1, k1, p1,k1
Row 8 – [p1, k1, p1, k1, p3, k1, p2] across to last 5 sts, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1
Row 9 – [k2, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1, k1] across to last 5 sts, k2, p1, k2
Row 10 – [p2, k1, p3, k1, p1, k1] across to last 5 sts, p2, k1, p2
Row 11 – [k2, p1, k2, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1] across to last 5sts, k2, p1, k2
Row 12 – [p2, k1, p2, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1] across to last 5 sts, p2, k1, p2

BACK

Cast on (49, 51) 55, 57 (59, 61) 63, 67 (71, 77) 83, 87 sts using the smaller needles.
Work (2, 2) 2, 2.5 (2.5, 2.5) 2.5, 3 (3, 3) 3, 3 cms or (.75, .75) .75, 1 (1, 1) 1, 1.25, (1.25, 1.25) 1.25, 1.25 ins of (k1, p1) rib.
Switch to larger size needles.

Work as follows: k[(12, 13) 15, 16 (17, 18) 19, 21 (23, 26) 29, 31] pm, work 25 sts in Leah Stitch Pattern, k[(12, 13) 15, 16 (17, 18) 19, 21 (23, 26) 29, 31] until your work measures (19, 20) 22.5, 24.5 (28.5, 30) 31.5, 37 (40, 44.5) 47.5, 52.5 cm or (7.5, 8) 9, 9.5 (11.25, 11.5) 12.5, 14.5 (15.75, 17.5) 18.75, 20.75 ins measured from the cast-on edge. Place markers on each end of the row to mark armhole. Continue working in pattern until work measures (28, 30) 33, 36 (39, 41) 44, 50.5 (54.5, 61) 64.5, 71.5 cms or (11, 12) 12.5, 14.25 (15.5, 16.25) 17.5, 20 (21.5, 24) 25.5, 28.25 ins from cast on edge ending after completing a wrong side row.

SHOULDERS
18m thru 13/14y sizes only
Bind off (x, x) x, x (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows.
All sizes
Bind off (0, 0) 0, 0 (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7sts at the beginning of the next row then work until (15, 15) 17, 17 (8, 8) 9, 10 (9, 11) 11, 12 sts are on the right needle (if you knit left-handed this is your left needle) put remaining sts on a stitch holder or spare yarn.
Turn and bind off 3 sts, work to the end of the row.
Turn and bind off remaining (12, 12) 14, 14 (5, 5) 6, 7 (6, 8) 8, 9 sts
With right side facing, rejoin yarn to the sts on the stitch holder/spare yarn, bind off (19, 21) 21, 23 (23, 25) 25, 27 (29, 31) 33, 35 sts, work remaining (15, 15) 17, 17 (13, 13) 14, 15 (15, 17) 18, 19 sts.
Bind off (0, 0) 0, 0 (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 sts, work to the end of the row.
Turn and bind off 3 sts, work to the end of the row.
Turn and bind off remaining (12, 12) 14, 14 (5, 5) 6, 7 (6, 8) 8, 9 sts

LEFT FRONT (if you knit left-handed this is your right front)
Cast on (23, 24) 26, 27 (28, 29) 30, 32 (34, 37) 40, 42 sts using smaller needle
Work (2, 2) 2, 2.5 (2.5, 2.5) 2.5, 3 (3, 3) 3, 3 cms or (.75, .75) .75, 1 (1, 1) 1, 1.25 (1.25, 1.25) 1.25, 1.25 ins of (k1, p1) rib.
Switch to larger size circular needles.

Work as follows: k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 7, 8 (9, 11) 12, 13] pm, work 15sts in Leah Stitch Pattern, k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 8, 9 (10, 11) 13, 14] until your work measures: (10, 10) 11, 11.5 (12.5, 12.5) 14.5, 15 (17, 17) 17, 19 cms or (4, 4) 4.25, 4.5 (5, 5) 5.75, 6 (6.75, 6.75) 6.75, 7.5ins

POCKET

k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10] pm, work (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21 sts in k1p1 ribbing, k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11]
Work the above for (1.5, 1.5) 1.5, 1.5 (2, 2) 2, 2 (2, 2.5) 2.5, 2.5 cms or (.5, .5) .5, 5 (.75, .75) .75, .75 (.75, 1) 1, 1 ins ending after completing a wrong side row.
k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10] pm, bind of (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21) sts in pattern, k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11]

Set this part aside.

INNER POCKET

Cast on (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21 sts
Work in stockinette st for (8, 8) 9, 9 (10, 10) 12, 12 (14, 14) 14, 16 cms or (3.25, 3.25) 3.5, 3.5 (4, 4) 4.75, 4.75 (5.5, 5.5) 5.5, 6.5 ins ending after completing a right side row.

Now you will combine the pocket to the front piece as follows:
P[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11] from front piece, p[(15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17) 19 (19, 19) 21, 21] sts from inner pocket, p[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10] remaining sts from front piece.

FRONT BODY

Now work as follows: k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 7, 8 (9, 11) 12, 13] pm,
work 15sts in Leah Stitch Pattern, k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 8, 9 (10, 11) 13, 14] until your work measures: (19, 20) 22.5, 24.5 (28.5, 30) 31.5, 37 (40, 44.5) 47.5, 52.5cm or (7.5, 8) 9, 9.5 (11.25, 11.5) 12.5, 14.5 (15.75, 17.5) 18.75, 20.75 ins measured from the cast-on edge. Place markers on each end of the row to mark armhole.

Continue working in pattern until work measures (20, 21.5) 24, 26.5 (31, 33) 35.5, 41 (44.5, 50.5) 53.5, 59.5 cms or (8, 8.5) 9.5, 10.5 (12.25, 13) 14, 16.25 (17.5, 20) 21.25, 23.5 ins from cast on edge ending after completing a wrong side row.

NECK

Decrease 1 sts on neck edge of next (5, 5) 5, 5 (9, 11) 9, 9 (11, 11) 11, 11 rows
Then on following right side rows only (6, 7) 7, 8 (4, 3) 5, 6 (5, 6) 7, 8 times
[(12, 12) 14, 14 (15, 15) 16, 17 (18, 20) 22, 23 sts remaining] ending after completing a wrong side row

SHOULDERS

Sizes 18m thru 13/14y only
Bind off (x, x) x, x (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 work to end of row

Work the next row without shaping
Bind off (x, x) x, x (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 sts, work to end of row
Work the next row without shaping
All sizes
Bind off remaining (12, 12) 14, 14 (5, 5) 6, 7 (6, 8) 8, 9 sts

RIGHT FRONT (if you knit left-handed this is your left front)
Cast on (23, 24) 26, 27 (28, 29) 30, 32 (34, 37) 40, 42 sts using smaller needle
Work (2, 2) 2, 2.5 (2.5, 2.5) 2.5, 3 (3, 3) 3, 3 cms or (.75, .75) .75, 1 (1, 1) 1, 1.25 (1.25, 1.25) 1.25, 1.25 ins of (k1, p1) rib.
Switch to larger size circular needles.

Work as follows: k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 8, 9 (10, 11) 13, 14] pm, work 15sts in Leah Stitch Pattern, k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 7, 8 (9, 11) 12, 13] until your work measures: (10, 10) 11, 11.5 (12.5, 12.5) 14.5, 15 (17, 17) 17, 19 cms or (4, 4) 4.25, 4.5 (5, 5) 5.75, 6 (6.75, 6.75) 6.75, 7.5ins

POCKET
k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11] pm, work (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21 sts in k1p1 ribbing, k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10]
Work the above for (1.5, 1.5) 1.5, 1.5 (2, 2) 2, 2 (2, 2.5) 2.5, 2.5 cms or (.5, .5) .5, 5 (.75, .75) .75, .75 (.75, 1) 1, 1 ins ending after completing a wrong side row.
k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11] pm, bind of (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21 sts in pattern, k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10]

Set this part aside.

INNER POCKET
Cast on (15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21 sts
Work in stockinette st for (8, 8) 9, 9 (10, 10) 12, 12 (14, 14) 14, 16 cms or (3.25, 3.25) 3.5, 3.5 (4, 4) 4.75, 4.75 (5.5, 5.5) 5.5, 6.5 ins ending after completing a right side row.

Now you will combine the pocket to the front piece as follows:
P[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 6, 7 (7, 9) 9, 10] from front piece, p[(15, 15) 15, 15 (15, 15) 17, 17 (19, 19) 21, 21] sts from inner pocket, p[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 7, 8 (8, 9) 10, 11] remaining sts from front piece.

FRONT BODY
Now work as follows: k[(4, 5) 6, 6 (7, 7) 8, 9 (10, 11) 13, 14] pm, work 15sts in Leah Stitch Pattern, k[(4, 4) 5, 6 (6, 7) 7, 8 (9, 11) 12, 13] until your work measures: (19, 20) 22.5, 24.5 (28.5, 30) 31.5, 37 (40, 44.5) 47.5, 52.5cm or (7.5, 8) 9, 9.5 (11.25, 11.5) 12.5, 14.5 (15.75, 17.5) 18.75, 20.75 ins

measured from the cast-on edge. Place markers on each end of the row to mark armhole.

Continue working in pattern until work measures (20, 21.5) 24, 26.5 (31, 33) 35.5, 41 (44.5, 50.5) 53.5, 59.5 cms or (8, 8.5) 9.5, 10.5 (12.25, 13) 14, 16.25 (17.5, 20) 21.25, 23.5 ins from cast on edge ending after completing a wrong side row.

NECK
Decrease 1 sts on neck edge of next (5, 5) 5, 5 (9, 11) 9, 9 (11, 11) 11, 11 rows
Then on following right side rows only (6, 7) 7, 8 (4, 3) 5, 6 (5, 6) 7, 8 times
[(12, 12) 14, 14 (15, 15) 16, 17 (18, 20) 22, 23 sts remaining] ending after completing a right-side row.

SHOULDERS
Sizes 18m thru 13/14y only
Bind off (x, x) x, x (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 work to end of row
Work the next row without shaping
Bind off (x, x) x, x (5, 5) 5, 5 (6, 6) 7, 7 sts, work to end of row
Work the next row without shaping
All sizes
Bind off remaining (12, 12) 14, 14 (5, 5) 6, 7 (6, 8) 8, 9 sts

SLEEVES (MAKE 2)
Cast on now (24, 24) 26, 26 (28, 28) 34, 36 (36, 38) 38, 40 sts on smaller needles and join in the round and place beginning of round marker.
Work (2, 2) 2, 2.5 (2.5, 2.5) 2.5, 3 (3, 3) 3, 3 cms or (.75, .75) .75, 1 (1 1) 1, 1.25 (1.25, 1.25) 1.25, 1.25 ins of (k1, p1) rib.
Switch to larger size circular needles

Work (2, 2) 2, 2 (2, 2) 2, 2 (4, 4) 4, 4 rows in stocknette st
Next row:
inc 1 sts on each side every right side row (2, 4) 2, 4 (2, 2) 0, 0 (0, 0) 0, 0 times,
Then inc 1 sts on each side every 4th row (3, 3) 5, 5 (7, 8) 5, 4 (11, 10) 16, 16 times,
Then inc 1 sts on each side every 6th row (0, 0) 0, 0 (0, 0) 4, 6 (2, 4) 1, 2 times,
[(34, 38) 40, 44 (46, 48) 52, 56 (62, 66) 72, 76 sts]
Continue working in damask stitch pattern until work measures (11.5, 13.5) 15.5, 17.5 (19, 20.5) 26.5, 29 (29.5, 33) 38, 40.5 cms or (4.5, 5.25) 6, 7 (7.5, 8) 10.5, 11.5 (11.75, 13) 15, 16 ins from cast on edge. Bind of all stitches leaving a long enough tail to sew the sleeve on.

FRONT RIB EDGE
With right side facing, pick up 2sts for each 3 rows across front up to the back neck, then pick up 1st for each st on the back, then pick up 2sts for each 3 rows across front down to the bottom.
Work 3 rows in k1p1 ribbing.

Now mark your button placement: on the right side place a marker at 2cms from the bottom then place (3, 3) 4, 4 (5, 5) 5, 6 (7, 8) 8, 9 more buttonhole markers every (6, 6.5) 5.5, 6 (5.5, 6) 6.5, 6.5 (6, 6) 6.5, 6.5 cms or (2.5, 2.75) 2.25, 2.5 (2.25, 2.5) 2.75, 2.75 (2.5, 2.5) 2.75, 2.75 ins
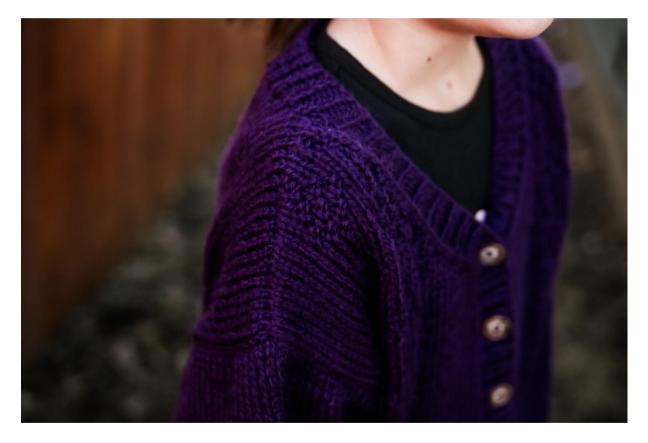Work this buttonhole row as follows:
[Work in k1p1 ribbing to marker, k2tog, yo] repeat [to] across until all buttonholes have been worked, work in k1p1ribbing until end of row.
Work 3 more rows in k1p1 ribbing.
Bind off in pattern.

FINISHING
Sew the sleeves on, side seams and sleeve seams. I prefer to use the mattress stitch because it almost appears seamless. Weave in all ends. Sew the buttons on along the left front edge across from the buttonholes

ABBREVIATIONS

K - knit

P – purl

PM – place marker

SM – slip marker

K2tog -knit 2 stitches together

YO – yarn over

SSK – slip, slip, knit the slipped sts together

M1R - Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from back to front, then knit this strand

M1L - Insert the left needle under the strand that runs between two stitches from front to back, then knit this strand through the back loop