



## Diagonal Jacket

Show off multi-coloured yarn with this versatile jacket.

### You will need:

Ashford Tekapo 8ply/DK yarn (100% wool, 200m/218yds, 100gms net)  
random colours 7 (7,8,9) balls  
Pair size 4.5mm (7US, 7UK) knitting needles  
Buttons 5

### Measurements

Chest: 86-91cm (97-102, 107-112, 117-122cm) 34-36ins  
(38-40, 42-44, 46-48ins)

Length: 58cm (60, 65, 66cm) 23ins (23 ½, 25 ½, 26ins)

Tension: 17 sts = 10cm (4ins) over garter stitch

### Tips

1. The jacket is knitted in garter stitch, with a slip stitch selvedge. The first stitch of every row is slipped purl wise, with yarn in front. Then the yarn is moved to the back and you knit across the remainder of the row.
2. When making a stitch after this slipped stitch, make sure you pull enough yarn through, so that your work stays flat, and does not pull.
3. To remember which side of your work is the right side, pin a small safety pin on it as a reminder.
4. You may wish to use two balls of yarn at a time, to prevent any particular colour appearing in a block.

### Abbreviations

beg: beginning

dec: decrease

K: knit

K2 tog: Knit 2 stitches together

M1: make a new stitch by picking up the yarn in between the two stitches, and knitting into the back of it.

pssso: pass the slipped stitch over

rep: repeat

RS: right side

Sl 1: slip  
1 stitch (always purl wise)  
st: stitch  
sts: stitches  
tog: together  
WS: wrong side

### Left Back

Cast on 3 sts.

Row 1: Sl 1, M1, K to end of row.

Rep this row until you have 56 (62 68 74) sts. Mark next row as RS with a small safety pin.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last st, M1, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows until long side (end of RS row) measures 33 (36 38 38) cm 13 (14 ¼ 15 15) ins.

### Shape Armhole

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows 5 times more: 44 (50 56 62) sts.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last st, M1, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

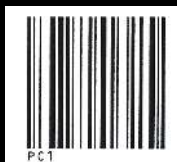
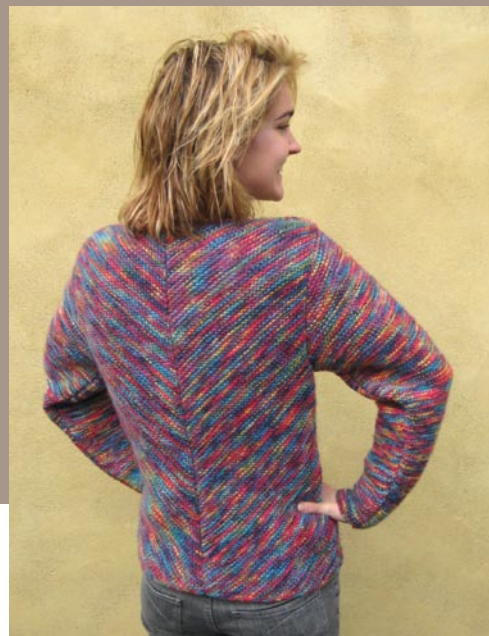
Rep these last 2 rows until armhole measures 23 (24 26 26) cm 9 (9 ½ 10 ¼ 10 ¼) ins.

### Shape Shoulder & Back Neck

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows 11 (13 15 17) times more: 20 (22 24





26) sts.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Cast off 5 sts, K to end.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these last 2 rows until 5 sts remain.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1 K2 tog twice.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K2.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, psso.  
 Fasten off.

*Right Back*

Cast on 3 sts.  
 Row 1: Sl 1, M1, K to end of row.  
 Rep this row until you have 56 (62 68 74) sts.  
 Mark next row as RS row.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, M1, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these last 2 rows until long side (beg of RS row) measures 33 (36 38 38) cm 13 (14 ¼ 15 15) ins

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Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows 11 (13 15 17) times more: 20 (22 24 26) sts

Next Row: (RS) Cast off 6 sts, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Rep these last 2 rows until 5 sts remain.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog twice.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K2.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, psso.  
 Fasten off.

*Left Front*

Cast on 3 sts.  
 Row 1: Sl 1, M1, K to end of row.  
 Rep this row until you have 68 (74 80 86) sts.  
 Mark next row as RS row.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, M1, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows until long side (beg of RS row) measures 33 (36 38 38) cm 13 (14 ¼ 15 15) ins.

*Shape Armhole*

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows 5 times more: 56 (62 68 74) sts.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, M1, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows until armhole measures 23 (24 26 26) cm 9 (9 ½ 10 ¼ 10 ¼) ins.

*Shape Shoulder*

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows 11 (13 15 17) times more: 32 (34 36 38) sts.

*Shape Front Neck*

Next Row: (RS) Cast off 18 (20 22 24) sts, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep last 2 rows until 5 sts remain.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog twice.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K 2.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, psso.  
 Fasten off.

*Right Front*

Cast on 3 sts.  
 Row 1: Sl 1, M1, K to end of row.  
 Rep this row until you have 68 (74 80 86) sts. Mark next row as RS row.  
 Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last st, M1, K1.  
 Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.  
 Rep these 2 rows until long side (end of RS row) measures 33 (36 38 38) cm 13 (14 ¼ 15 15) ins



### Shape Armhole

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows 5 times more: 56 (62 68 74) sts.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last st, M1, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows until front edge (beg of RS row) measures 15 (18 19 19) cm 6 (7 7 ½ 7 ½) ins.

### Make Buttonhole

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K2, cast off 2 sts, K to last st, M1, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K across to buttonhole, turn, cast on 2 sts over the 2 sts cast off on previous row, turn, K to end.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last st, M1, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these last 2 rows, working a buttonhole every 8 cm (3 ¼ ins) twice more, until armhole measures 23 (24 26 26) cm 9 (9 ½ 10 ¼ 10 ¼) ins.

### Shape Shoulder

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these 2 rows 10 (12 14 16) times more, then work a RS row once more: 32 (34 36 38) sts remain.

### Shape Front Neck

Next Row: (WS) Cast off 20 sts, K to end.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K to last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep these last 2 rows until 4 sts remain.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, K1.

Next Row: (WS) Sl 1 K 2.

Next Row: (RS) Sl 1, K2 tog, psso.

Fasten off.

### Sleeves

Cast on 37 (39 41 43) sts.

Row 1: (RS) Sl 1, K to end.

Rep this row throughout, increasing 1 st at beg and end of the 5th row, and then every following 6th row, until there are 73 (73 81 81) sts.

Continue without shaping until work measures 43 (43 46 46) cm 17 (17 18 18) ins, or desired length to underarm.

Cast off 8 sts at beg of next 2 rows: 57 (57 65 65) sts.

Dec 1 st at beg and end of every RS row 8 times: 41 (41 49 49) sts.

Work 1 row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next 6 rows: 29 (29 37 37) sts.

Cast off remaining sts.

### To Make Up

Sew centre back seam.

Sew shoulder seams.

Sew side seams.

Sew sleeve seams.

Matching underarm seams, and centre of sleeve top to shoulder seam, sew in sleeves.

Sew on three buttons to left front, and one each to folded back lapels.



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