



MANOS DEL URUGUAY

FREE PATTERN



# Bonita

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Other suggested Silk Blend colours to choose from:



SB2401 Danube



SB3176 Shortcake



SB3071 Wisteria



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Pattern uses **Manos Silk Blend** shown in **3211 Cactus Flower**

## SIZE

To fit bust

81 (86: 91: 97: 102) cm

32 (34: 36: 38: 40) in

Actual size

82: (88: 93: 97: 103) cm

32¼ (34½: 36½: 38¾: 40½) in

Finished length

65 (65: 66: 66: 67) cm

25½ (25½: 26: 26: 26½) in

Also check the sizing diagram for actual measurements.

## MATERIALS

Manos del Uruguay Silk Blend (70% Extrafine Merino, 30% Silk), 135m/148yds per 50g hank

No. of hanks    6       6       6       7       7

1 pair of 4 mm (US 6) needles.

Stitch holders

Stitch Markers

## TENSION

21 sts x 30 rows in a 10cm (4in) square over pattern on 4mm needles.

Please work swatch and check carefully. If necessary, change size of needles to obtain correct tension.

## STITCHES AND ABBREVIATIONS

**Selvedge st** = purl first st and knit last st tbl (through back of loop) on all rows.

**Ssk** = slip 1 knitwise (twice), insert tip of left needle from left to right through front of both sts and k2tog.

## NOTES

When working lace patt from chart: Do NOT work an inc unless there are sufficient sts to work the corresponding dec. It can be helpful to place markers on needle at edge of side patt reps and work sts beyond these markers in st st, moving markers in as required.

## BACK

Using 4 mm (US 6) needles cast on 112 (122: 132: 132: 142) sts.

**Row 1 (WS):** 1 selvedge st, \*k1, p1, rep from \* to last st, 1 selvedge st.

This row form 1 x 1 rib.

Cont in rib for a further 2 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Now work in patt from chart, beg and ending row as indicated, beg with a K row and repeat 10 sts and 16 rows throughout.

**NB! selvedge st is not included in chart.**

Work straight until back meas 6½ cm [2½ in], ending with RS facing for next row.

Keeping patt correct, cont as folls:

**Shape sides (RS):** 1 selvedge st, ssk, patt to last 3 sts, K2tog, 1 selvedge st.

Rep this dec row on 12 (14: 8: 14: 8) foll 8th rows, then on 0 (0: 8: 0: 8) foll 6th rows = 86 (92: 98: 102: 108) sts.

Work until back meas 45 cm [17¾ in], ending with RS facing for next row.

## Shape armhole and armhole borders

Keeping patt correct, cont as folls:

**Row 1 (RS):** cast off 5 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts, p1, k1, p1, patt to end.

**Row 2:** cast off 4 (5: 6: 6: 7) sts, k1, p1, k1, P to last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st = 77 (81: 85: 89: 93) sts.

**Row 3 (dec):** 1 selvedge st, p1, k1, p1, ssk, patt to last 6 sts, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, 1 selvedge st.

**Row 4 (dec):** 1 selvedge st, k1, p1, k1, p2tog, P to last 6 sts, ssk, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st.

Rep rows 3 and 4 once more = 69 (73: 77: 81: 85) sts.

**Row 7 (dec):** 1 selvedge st, p1, k1, p1, ssk, patt to last 6 sts, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, 1 selvedge st.

**Row 8:** 1 selvedge st, k1, p1, k1, P to last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st.

Rep rows 7 and 8 for a further 1 (2: 3: 4: 5) times = 65 (67: 69: 71: 73) sts.

Cont straight in patt and keep work 4 sts in 1x1 rib for armhole borders throughout, work until armholes meas 17 (17: 18: 18: 19) cm [6¾ (6¾: 7: 7: 7½) in], ending with RS facing for next row.

## Shape neck

Patt 17 (18: 17: 18: 17) sts and turn, leaving rem sts on needle or on a holder.

Work each side of neck separately.

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off 1 st at beg of next row = 11 (12: 11: 12: 11) sts.

Cont straight in patt and keep work 4 sts in 1x1 rib for armhole border throughout, work until armhole meas 20 (20: 21: 21: 22) cm [8 (8: 8¼: 8¼: 8¾) in], leaving rem 11 (12: 11: 12: 11) sts on a holder.

With RS facing, rejoin yarn to rem sts, cast off centre 31 (31: 35: 35: 39:) sts, patt to end. Complete to match first side, reversing shapings.

## FRONT

Work as given for back until front meas 38 cm [15 in], ending with patt row 7 or 15 for next row. Mark centre. Work each side of neck separately.

## Right front

Divide for neck and shape front slope and armhole

Cont dec 1 st at side edge in the same way as on back,

and as follows:

**Next row (WS):** P to centre, then p3, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st, turn.

**Next row (dec):** 1 selvedge st, p1, k1, p1, ssk, patt to end.

**Next row (WS):** P to last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st, turn.

**Next row:** 1 selvedge st, p1, k1, p1, patt to end.

**Next row (WS):** P to last 4 sts, k1, p1, k1, 1 selvedge st, turn.

**Next row (dec):** 1 selvedge st, p1, k1, p1, ssk, patt to end.

These 6 rows form the front slope edge.

Rep these 6 rows throughout, and at the same time cont dec 1 st at side edge in the same way as on back. Work until front meas 45 cm [17¾ in], ending with WS facing for next row.

Shape armhole and armhole border

Keeping patt correct and cont shape front slope edge as set, cont as follows:

**Next row (WS):** cast off 4 (5: 6: 6: 7) sts, k1, p1, k1, patt to end.

Work armhole border and shape armhole in the same way as on back, dec 1 st at armhole edge of next 4 rows, then on foll 2 (3: 4: 5: 6) alt rows.

Cont work armhole edge straight until front matches back to beg of shoulder, leaving rem 15 (16: 15: 16: 15) sts on a holder with yarn at neck edge, do NOT break yarn.

## Left front

### Shape front slope and armhole

With WS facing, pick up 15 sts from behind in the back loop on right front, pick up in the same row as the sts on needle.

Rejoin yarn and complete left front slope to match right front, reversing shapings, begin as follows:

**Next row (WS):** 1 selvedge st, k1, p1, k1, P to end.

**Next row:** patt to last 6 sts, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, 1 selvedge st. Cont dec alternately every 4th and 2nd row, and at the same time cont dec 1 st at side edge in the same way as on back and at the same time when front meas 45 cm [17¾ in], cast off 5 (6: 7: 7: 8) sts for armhole shaping.

Work armhole border and shape armhole in the same way as on back, dec 1 st at armhole edge of next 4 rows, then on foll 2 (3: 4: 5: 6) alt rows.

Complete to match right front, reversing shapings.

## MAKING UP

Neckband borders (both alike)

Slip 4 sts on needle at neck edge, leaving rem 11 (12: 11: 12: 11) sts on a holder, cast on 1 selvedge st on inside edge = 5 sts.

Work approx 10 (10: 11: 11: 12) cm [4 (4: 4¼: 4¼: 4¾ in)] in 1x1 rib, leaving sts on needle, do NOT break

yarn.

Join shoulders

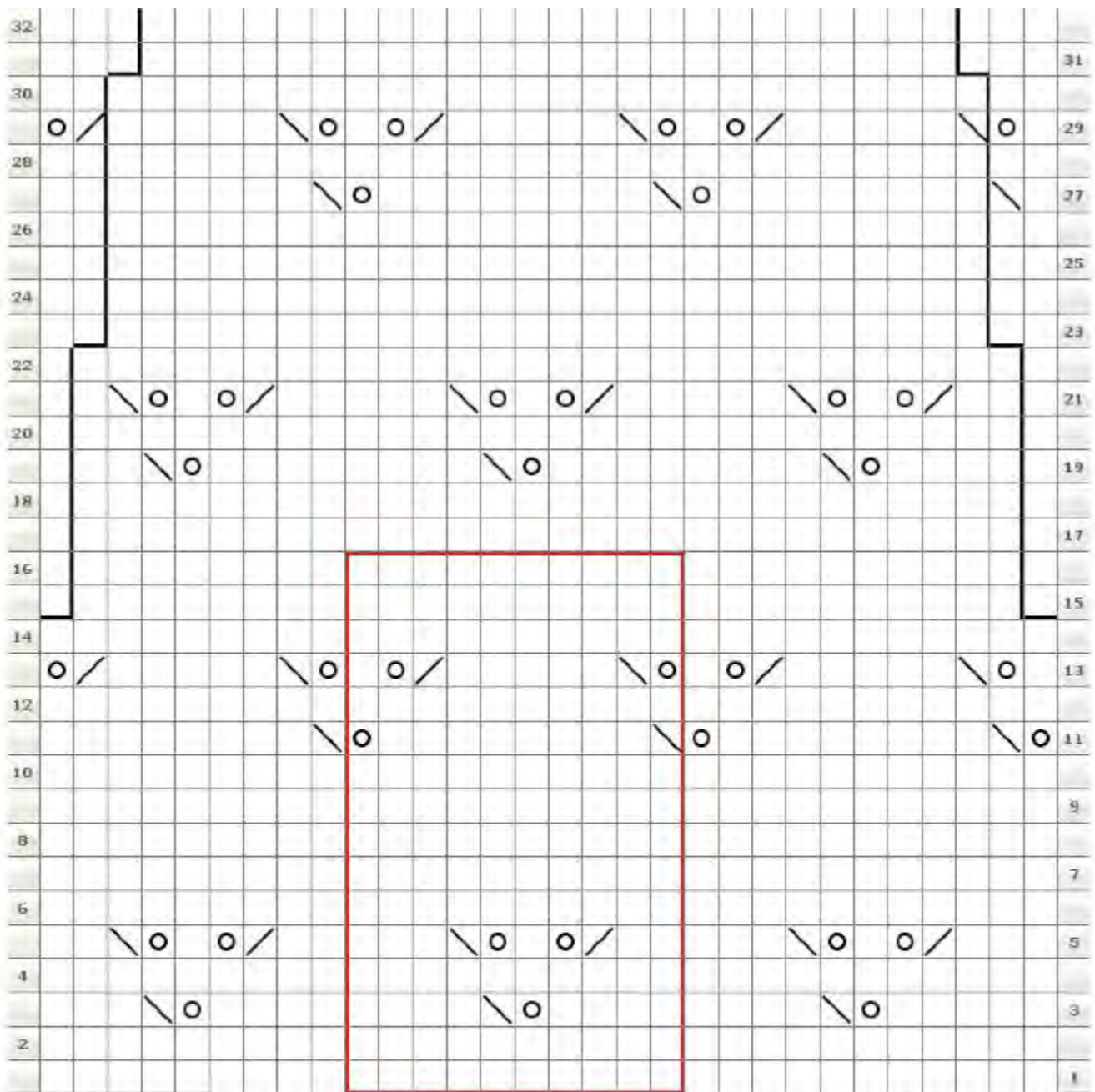
Holding back and front with their RS together, slip sts on holder onto needles, beg at armhole edge and use a third needle to k1 st from each needle together, casting off simultaneously.

Cont work neckband until band, when slightly stretched, fits to centre back.

Join band in the same way as shoulders. Sew one edge to back neck edge.

Sew side seams within selvedge st using mattress stitch.





□ knit on RS row.  
Purl on WS row.

○ yo  
yarn over.

∖ ssk  
(sl 1 knitwise) twice, insert tip of left needle from left to right through front of both sts and k2tog.

∕ k2tog  
knit two stitches together as one stitch.

**Repeat: 10 sts / 16 rows.**

