



cancun lace top

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this lace-sampler top is knit in two simple rectangles from the bottom up & seamed at the shoulders & sides to create the boxy shape. very suitable for beginners that are comfortable with knitting & purling, would make an excellent first garment !

supplies :

> size 8 us straight needles (or long circulars)

> one skein blue heron rayon metallic or about 500 yards dk weight yarn

gauge :

4.5 stiches/inch in stockinette stitch
(final garment size will be larger as lace has a looser gauge)

finished size :

~ 27 x 16"

body (make two) :

cast on 98 stitches, work in garter stitch for 1.5"

*work lace stitch per diagram below, knit the next 4 rows. continue from *, finish with 1.5" garter stitch. bind off and weave in ends. seam per diagram

stitches :

A) eyelet stitch — multiple of 3 + 2

row 1: knit

row 2: purl

row 3: k2, *yo, k2tog, k1; rep from * to end row 4: purl

B) dropped stitch — multiple of any #, with + 2 (for first & last stitches)

row 1: k1*k1 with three wraps around*, repeat from * to * to last stitch, k1 row 2: k1 *k1 & drop wraps*, repeat from * to * to last stitch, k1

C) netting stitch — multiple of 2

row 1: k1, *yo, k2tog; rep from *to last st, k1. repeat this row 8 total times.

D) solid mesh stitch — multiple of 3+5 stitches

row 1: knit

row 2 & all even rows: purl

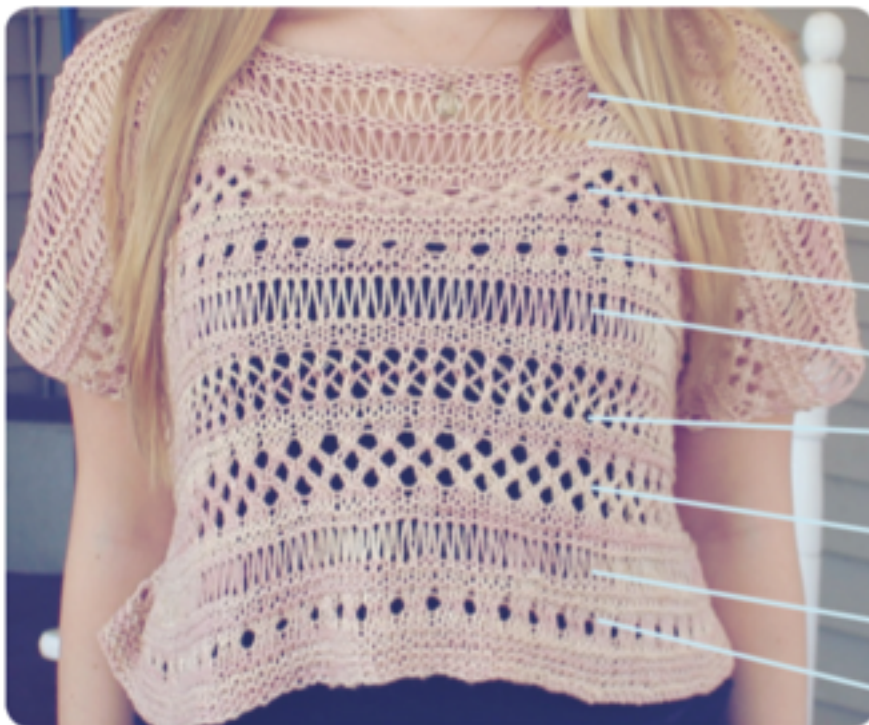
row 3 (right side): knit 2, *yarn over, slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit 2, pssso*, repeat from *, k3 row 5 (right side): knit 1, *yarn over, slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit 2 stitches and pass slipped stitch over them* knit 1

row 6 (wrong side): purl

repeat rows 3 & 4 once more

seaming :

sew the shoulder seams 9.5" and the side seams 6" as shown below.



begin & end with 1.5"
garter stitch, with 4
garter rows in-between
each lace panel

B

B

D

A

B

C

D

B

A

