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## Villeneuve



**Yarn:** Habu N-84 Wrapped Silk 6P; 78 yds (71 m)/0.49 oz (14 g) - 4 (5, 5, 5, 6, 7) skeins; color shown is *Ecreu*

**Materials:** 5.5 mm (US 9) circular needles - *or needles required to obtain gauge.*  
5.0 mm (US 8) circular needles - *or needles 1 size smaller than gauge needles.*  
Tapestry needle, Stitch markers

**Gauge:** 16 sts and 21 rows / 4 inches in Stockinette Stitch on larger needles  
**AFTER WASHING** - *to save time and ensure accurate sizing, please be sure to check gauge.*

## Finished Measurements

Chest circumference: Approximately 30 (34, 36, 38, 42, 46)"

Length: Approximately 25 (25, 25, 26, 27)"

## Abbreviations

**BO** = bind-off

**BOR** = beginning of round

**CO** = cast-on

**k** = knit

**k2tog** = knit two stitches together

**p** = purl

**pm** = place marker

**ssk** = slip two stitches knitwise one at a time then insert point of left needle into front of two slipped stitches and knit together

**st(s)** = stitch(es)

**tog** = together

**RS** = right side

**Wrap and turn on RS (W&T):** Work to place specified in pattern, with yarn in back of work, slip next st purlwise on left needle to right needle, bring the yarn to front. Slip the previously slipped st back to left needle. Bring yarn to back then turn your work. You'll be working in a different direction after the W&T.

**Wrap and turn on WS (W&T):** Work to place specified in pattern, with yarn in front of work, slip next st purlwise on left needle to right needle, bring the yarn to back. Slip the previously slipped st back to left needle. Bring yarn to front then turn your work. You'll be working in a different direction after the W&T.

**Working wrapped stitch on RS:** K to wrapped st. With RH needle in front of LH needle, insert RH needle into wrap from the bottom and lift the wrap onto the LH needle, then k tog with the st on the LH needle.

**Working wrapped stitch on WS:** P to wrapped st. With RH needle behind LH needle, insert RH needle into wrap from the bottom and lift the wrap onto the LH needle, then p tog with the st on the LH needle.

## Notes

This garment is meant to fit **loosely at chest with minimum ease**. Please select size accordingly. Sample size measures 38".

Body of garment is worked in the round from the bottom up then back and front are worked flat in Stockinette Stitch from the armhole bind-off.

## BODY

With smaller needles CO 152 (168, 176, 184, 200, 216) sts. Join to close round being careful not to twist stitches. Place marker (pm) for BOR. Purl 76 (84, 88, 92, 100, 108) sts, pm for side seam, p to end of rnd. Knit 1 rnd, purl 1 rnd. Change to larger needles.

**Next rnd:**

Begin short rows for back.

Knit 49 sts, W&T.

Purl 6, W&T.

Knit to wrapped stitch, knit wrapped stitch together with its wrap, then knit 4 more sts, W&T.

Purl to wrapped stitch, purl wrapped stitch together with its wrap, then purl 4 more sts, W&T.

*Continue in this manner until there are less than 4 sts left on each side (before markers).*

**Next (RS) row:**

Knit to side seam marker, knitting wrapped stitches together with their wraps when necessary, then begin short rows for front.

Knit 41 (45, 47, 49, 53, 57), W&T.

Purl 6, W&T.

Knit to wrapped stitch, knit wrapped stitch together with its wrap, then knit 8 more sts, W&T.

Purl to wrapped stitch, purl wrapped stitch together with its wrap, then purl 8 more sts, W&T.

*Continue in this manner until there are less than 8 sts left on each side (before markers). Knit to end of round, working wrapped stitches together with their wraps when necessary.*

Knit 4 rounds.

**Next (dec) rnd:**

\*K1, ssk, k to last 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1; rep from \* one more time – 4 sts decreased. Repeat decrease round every 6<sup>th</sup> round 7 times more – 120 (136, 144, 152, 168, 184) sts.

Work until piece measures 13" from cast-on edge on side seam. – *Add length here if desired.*

**Next round:**

Divide for front and back.

Work to 8 sts before marker then bind off 12 sts.

Work to 4 sts before BOR marker then bind off 12 sts.

From here on work on back only [*longer short row section!* – 44 (52, 56, 60, 68, 76) sts]

**BACK**

Knit 1 RS row.

Beginning with next (WS) row and using the Bias Bind-off technique\*, BO 0 (4, 6, 8, 10, 12) sts at beg of next two rows, then BO 6 sts, then 4 sts, then 2 times 2 stitches – 16 (16, 16, 16, 20, 24) sts.

*\*For Bias Bind-off technique see:*

<http://cocoknits.com/journal/tips-and-tutorials/bias-bind-off/>

Work WS row, then work 6 more rows.

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Work WS row.

Repeat decrease row every 8<sup>th</sup> row 3 times more – 8 (8, 8, 8, 12, 16) sts. Work until piece measures 9 (9, 9, 9, 10, 11)” from armhole bind off. Bind off remaining stitches.

**FRONT**

Join yarn and work WS row. Beginning with next (RS) row and using the *bias bind-off technique*, BO 2 sts at beg of next 4 rows – 44 (52, 56, 60, 68, 76)

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Work WS row. Repeat decrease once more – 40 (48, 52, 56, 64, 72) Work even until piece measures 4” from armhole BO, ending with a WS row.

**NECKLINE**

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

Work 16 (20, 22, 24, 28, 32) sts, then using the Bias Bind-off technique BO next 8 sts. Work to end of row. Work WS row. For right side of front, and using the *bias bind-off technique* BO 3 st at neck edge, then 2 sts 2 times – 9 (13, 15, 17, 21, 25) sts.

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K1, ssk, k to end of row. Work WS row. Work 2 rows even – 8 (12, 14, 16, 20, 24) sts.

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Work WS row. Repeat decrease row every 4th row 1 (3, 4, 5, 5, 7) times more – 4 (4, 4, 4, 8, 8) sts.

Work until piece measures 10 (10, 10, 10, 11, 12)” from neckline BO. Place sts on holder. For left side of front, BO 3 sts at neck edge, then 2 sts 2 times – 9 (12, 15, 17, 21, 25) sts.

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Work WS row. Work 2 rows even – 8 (12, 14, 16, 20, 24) sts.

**Next (dec) row (RS):**

K1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Work WS row. Repeat decrease row row every 4th row 1 (3, 4, 5, 5, 7) times more – 4 (4, 4, 4, 8, 8) sts.

Work until piece measures 10 (10, 10, 10, 11, 12)” from neckline then place stitches on hold.

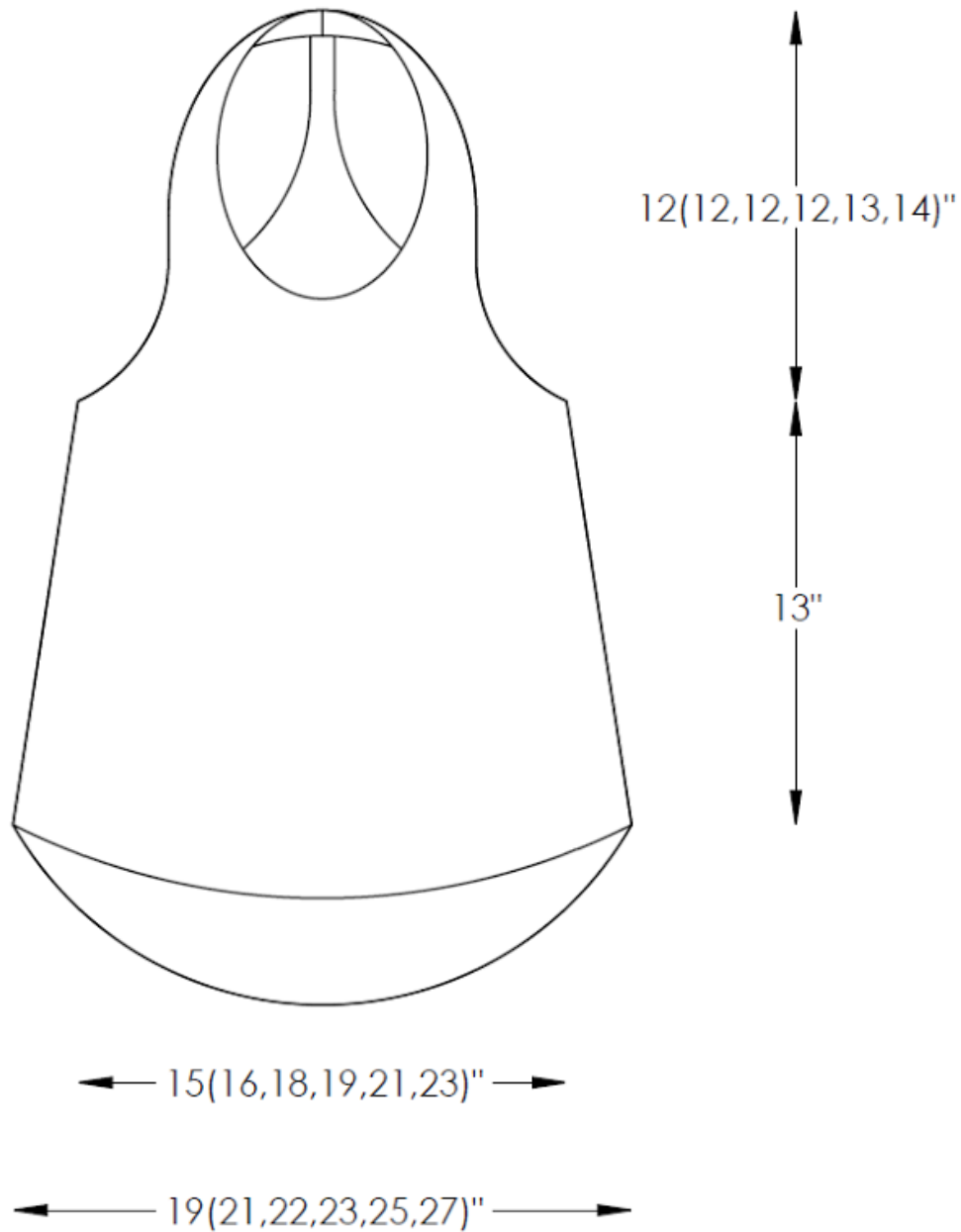
### Finishing

With RS held together, work 3-Needle Bind-Off\* with remaining stitches from left and right front. Sew back strap to front straps. Weave in all ends. Block.

*\*For 3-Needle Bind-off technique see:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wpJUrcX52DU>

### Schematic



**Happy knitting!**