

Ariosa Cropped Cardi

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Classic Elite Yarns

The Yarn

Ariosa

90% extrafine merino, 10% cashmere

Ariosa is composed of wonderfully warm fibers – extrafine merino and cashmere. The long staple length of the fibers and the gentle twist of the single ply keeps it lofty and light despite its bulky gauge and creates a smooth knitted surface allowing texture stitches to show beautifully. Best of all, with a gauge of 3½ sts per inch, Ariosa works up quickly. Available in 20 colors.

Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: XS (S, M, L, XL)

Shown in S.

Finished Measurements: 32 (35½, 38¾, 42¼, 45¾)''

YARN:

Ariosa by **Classic Elite** (90% extrafine merino wool, 10% cashmere; 50 gram ball = approx 87 yards)
4 (4, 5, 5, 6) balls 4881 Camomile

NEEDLES AND OTHER MATERIALS:

One pair knitting needles in size US 10 (6 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**

One 16'' circular knitting needle size US 9 (5.5 mm)

Stitch holders or waste yarn

Four 7/8'' buttons

Stitch markers

GAUGE: 15 sts and 21 rows = 4'' in Stockinette Stitch with larger needles. **Take time to save time, check your gauge.**

NOTE: Body is worked in 1 pc to underarm. Sleeve sts are picked up around armhole and shaped with short rows.



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ABBREVIATIONS:

beg: begin(ning)
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
cont: continue
dec ('d): decrease(d)
EOR: every other row/round
inc('d): increase(d)
k: knit
k1-f/b: Knit into the front loop, then the back loop of next st (1 st increased)
k2tog: Knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
LH: left hand
meas: measure(s)
p: purl
p2tog: Purl 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
pc(s): piece(s)
rem: remain(ing)
rep: repeat
RH: right hand
rnd(s): round(s)
RS: right side
ssk: (slip, slip, knit) Slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; return sts to LH needle in turned position
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side
wyib: with yarn in back
wyif: with yarn in front

PATTERN STITCHES:

1 x 1 Rib:

Straight – (odd number of sts)

Row 1: (RS) K2, *p1, k1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 2: (WS) P2, *k1, p1; rep from * to last st, p1.

Rep Rows 1–2 for 1 x 1 Rib.

Circular – (even number of sts)

All Rnds: *K1, p1; rep from * around.

Stockinette Stitch (St st): Knit on RS, purl on WS.

BODY

With larger needles, CO 104 (117, 130, 143, 156) sts. **(RS) Begin 1 x 1 Rib** and work even until pc meas 1¼" from beg, end after a RS row. **Change to St st:** (WS) work 6 rows, end after a RS row. Place markers (pm) for sides as follows: (WS) Work 24 (28, 31, 34, 37) sts, pm, work 56 (61, 68, 75, 82) sts, pm, work to end. **Shape Waist, Inc Row:** (RS) *Work to 3 sts before side marker, k1-f/b, k2, slip marker, k2, k1-f/b; rep from * once more, work to end – 4 sts inc'd. Rep waist inc row every 6th row twice more – 116 (129, 142, 155, 168) sts; 27 (31, 34, 37, 40) sts each front; 62 (67, 74, 81, 88) sts for back. Work even until pc meas 8½" from beg, end after a WS row. **Divide for Back and Front:** (RS) Work to 3 (4, 5, 6, 7) sts before side marker, BO 6 (8, 10, 12, 14) sts removing marker, slip the previously worked 24 (27, 29, 31, 33) sts onto st holder or waste yarn for right front, cont working until 3 (4, 5, 6, 7) sts before next side marker, slip the rem 30 (35, 39, 43, 47) unworked sts to st holder or waste yarn for left front. Cont working back and forth on 56 (59, 64, 69, 74) back sts only.

BACK

(WS) Work 1 row even. **Shape Armholes:** (RS) BO 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of following 4 rows – 42 (45, 50, 55, 60) sts. **Armhole Dec Row:** (RS) K2tog, work to last 2 sts, ssk – 2 sts dec'd. Rep armhole dec row EOR 1 (1, 2, 3, 4) more times – 38 (41, 44, 47, 50) sts. Work even until armhole meas 7 (7½, 8, 8½, 9)" from beg of armhole shaping, end after a WS row. Pm each side of center 14 (15, 16, 17, 18) sts. **(Note: Read the following instructions carefully before beg; neck and shoulder shaping beg at the same time.)** **Shape Neck:** (RS) Work to first neck marker, join a second ball of yarn, BO center sts removing markers, and work to end. At each neck edge, BO 2 sts once, then 1 st once; **and at the same time**, on first row of neck shaping, **Shape Shoulders:** (RS) At each armhole edge, BO 5 (5, 6, 6, 7) sts once, then 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts once.

RIGHT FRONT

Return right front sts to larger needle and join yarn preparing to work a WS row – 24 (27, 29, 31, 33) sts. **Shape Neck and Armhole:** (WS) BO 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of following 3 rows – 12 (15, 17, 19, 21) sts. **Neck Dec Row:** (RS) K2tog, work to end – 11 (14, 16, 18, 20) sts. **Sizes - (S, M, L, XL) only, Armhole and Neck Dec Row:** (RS) K2tog, work to last 2 sts, ssk – 2 sts dec'd. Rep neck and armhole dec row EOR once more – (10, 12, 14, 16) sts. **Sizes XS (-, M, L, XL) only:** (WS) Work 1 row even. **Armhole Dec Row:** (RS) Work to last 2 sts, ssk – 1 st dec'd. Rep armhole dec row 1 (-, 0, 1, 2) times – 9 (-, 11, 12, 13) sts. **All Sizes:** Work even until armhole meas 7 (7½, 8, 8½, 9)" from beg of armhole shaping, end after a RS row. **Shape Shoulder:** (WS) As for back, at beg of WS rows only.

LEFT FRONT

Return left front sts to larger needle and join yarn preparing to work a RS row – 30 (35, 39, 43, 47) sts. **Shape Armhole:** (RS) BO 6 (8, 10, 12, 14) sts, work to end – 24 (27, 29, 31, 33) sts rem. (WS) Work 1 row even. **Shape Armhole and Neck:** (RS) BO 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of following 2 rows – 14 (17, 19, 21, 23) sts rem. (RS) BO 2 sts, work to last 2 sts, ssk – 11 (14, 16, 18, 20) sts. **Sizes - (S, M, L, XL) only:** (WS) Work 1 row even. **Armhole and Neck Dec Row:** (RS) K2tog, work to last 2 sts, ssk – 2 sts dec'd. Rep armhole and neck dec row EOR once more – (10, 12, 14, 16) sts. **Sizes XS (-, M, L, XL) only:** (WS) Work 1 row even. **Armhole Dec Row:** (RS) K2tog, work to end – 1 st dec'd. Rep armhole dec row EOR 1 (-, 0, 1, 2) more times – 9 (-, 11, 12, 13) sts. **All Sizes:** Work even until armhole meas 7 (7½, 8, 8½, 9)" from beg of armhole shaping, end after a WS row. **Shape Shoulder:** (RS) As for back, at beg of RS rows only.

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SLEEVES

Sew shoulder seam. With circular needle and RS facing, beg at center of underarm, pick-up and knit 33 (35, 37, 39, 41) sts to shoulder seam, then 33 (35, 37, 39, 41) sts to center of underarm – 66 (70, 74, 78, 82) sts. Pm for beg-of-rnd. **Begin Circular 1 x 1 Rib;** work 1 rnd. **Shape Cap with short rows:**
 Short Row 1: (RS) Cont in 1 x 1 Rib as est, work 43 (45, 47, 49, 51) sts, wrap and turn; (WS) work 20 sts, wrap and turn.
 Short Row 2: (RS) Work 30 sts, wrap and turn; (WS) work 40 sts, wrap and turn.
 Next Row: (RS) Work to end of rnd, hiding wraps as they appear.
 Work 1 rnd even, hiding wraps as they appear.
 Short Row 3: (RS) Cont in 1 x 1 Rib as est, work 48 (50, 52, 54, 56) sts, wrap and turn, (WS) work 30 sts, wrap and turn.
 Short Row 4: (RS) Work 40 sts, wrap and turn; (WS) work 50 sts, wrap and turn.
 Next Row: (RS) Work to end of rnd, hiding wraps as they appear.
 Work 2 rnds even, hiding wraps as they appear.
 BO all sts in rib.

FINISHING

Block pc to measurements. **Neckband:** With circular needle and RS facing, beg at right front neck edge, pick-up and knit 30 (32, 34, 36, 38) sts evenly to shoulder seam, 21 (21, 23, 23, 25) sts along back neck, 30 (32, 34, 36, 38) sts to left front edge – 81 (85, 91, 95, 101) sts. **(WS) Begin 1 x 1 Rib;** work 3 rows, ending after a WS row. BO all sts. **Buttonband:** With circular needle and RS facing, pick-up and knit 37 sts evenly along left front edge including side of neckband. **(WS) Begin 1 x 1 Rib;** work 5 rows, end after a WS row. BO all sts. **Buttonhole band:** With circular needle and RS facing, pick-up and knit 37 sts evenly along right front edge including side of neckband. **(WS) Begin 1 x 1 Rib;** work 2 rows, end after a RS row. **Buttonhole Row:** (WS) P2, *k2tog, yo, [k1, p1] 4 times; rep from * to last 5 sts, k2tog, yo, k1, p2 – 4 buttonholes. (RS) Work 2 more rows as est, end after a WS row. BO all sts. Sew buttons to buttonband opposite buttonholes. Block pc to measurements.

PATTERN STITCHES:

Wrap and turn:

Knit row – Wyib, slip next st purlwise onto RH needle, bring yarn to front of work, return slipped st to LH needle, bring yarn to back of work, then turn work.

Purl row – Wyif slip next st purlwise onto RH needle, bring yarn to back of work, return slipped st to LH needle, bring yarn to front of work, then turn work.

Hide Wraps:

Knit row – Pick up the wrap from the front with the RH needle and knit together with the st it wraps.

Purl row – Pick up the wrap through back of loop with RH needle and purl together with the st it wraps.

