



Knitting a Shaped Shawl Collar

Join both shoulder seams. Collar can be worked in garter stitch, rib or stockinette (which will curl). When direx say "knit" work your chosen stitch. When turning for short rows, remember to wrao to prevent holes. Use either an automatic or a manual wrap, as you prefer.

Place markers on the garment to indicate the beginning of the V-neckline shaping and to divide the back neckline into thirds.

Beginng at the lower right front edge, pick up the appropriate number of stitches along the front edge, entire neckline and left front edge, ending at lower left front.

Knit across the entire left front edge and 3/4 of the back neckline stitches, up to the #2 tag. Turn and knit to the #1 marker. *Turn and knit 2 stitches more than the previous row.** Repeat * to ** until you have reached both front V-neck tags. The shortest row will be workd between the #1 and #2 tags, then the rows get progressively longer.

Work 1 row down the entire right front edge. Work the next row across all stitches, making buttonholes in right or left front as desired. Work 1 more row then bind off loosely. For a wider band/collar, work additional rows before/after making buttonholes.

For handknitting this collar, you will need a long circular needle to work back and forth. To work the collar on the machine, plan to include a seam at the center back neck and, when finishing, either make the seam invisible or decorative, but pay extra attention so it doesn't detract from the collar.