Victoire

A Knitting Kninja Design

Sizes:
To fit a 12 (13, 14, 15, 16)" neck

Gauge:
4 inches = 26 stitchs/25 rows on size 7 needles in Plaited Basket Stitch

Materials:
1 skein Malabrigo Silky Merino (50% silk, 50% merino, 150 yards per 50 gram skein)
U.S. size 7 needles (4.5 mm)
Size E crochet hook (3.5 mm)
4 7/16 inch ball buttons

Plaited Basket Stitch:
Worked over an uneven number of sts.

Row 1: K2, *insert needle from back to front between first and second sts on left hand needle and k the second st, then k the first st, then sl both sts from the needle together; rep from * to last st, k 1.

Row 2: P2, *skip next st and p the second st, then p the first st and slide both sts off the needle together; rep from * to last st, p1.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2.

Instructions:

CO 83 (91, 97, 104, 109 st.)

Rows 1-4: Knit across.
Row 5-6 (all sizes): K3, work in Plaited Basket Stitch, k3.
Row 7 (buttonhole row): K1, yo, k2tog, work in Plaited Basket Stitch, k3.

Knit as in Row 1 for 6 rows, then repeat Buttonhole Row. Continue knitting in this way until you have 4 buttonholes. Knit 2 rows as Row 1.

Bind off.

Crochet edging:
Using size 3.5 mm crochet hook (E), crochet through first st, chain 3, join back to knitting with slip stitch through next knit stitch. Single crochet through next st, chain 3, join with slip stitch. Continue across in this manner until entire top edge of neck warmer has a lace border. Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

Block. Attach buttons. Wear!

Abbreviations:

CO: Cast on
K: Knit
k2tog: Knit two stitches together
P: Purl
sl: Slip the next stitch
st: stitch(es)
yo: yarn over

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