

CARON® Drop it Like it's Hot Knit Top

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VERSION 1



VERSION 2



KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: EASY

MATERIALS

Caron® Simply Me Luster™ (6 oz/170 g; 329 m/360 yds)

Sizes	XS/S	M	L	XL	2/3XL	4/5XL	
VERSION 1 (SIZE XS/S)							
Golden (68008)	2	2	2	2	3	3	balls
	444/406	500/457	554/506	620/567	668/610	778/711	yds/m

VERSION 2 (SIZE L)

Electric Blue (68001)	2	2	2	2	3	3	balls
	444/406	500/457	554/506	620/567	668/610	778/711	yds/m

Size U.S. 8 (5 mm) Susan Bates® Silvalume® knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Susan Bates® stitch markers. Susan Bates® yarn needle.

SIZES

To fit chest measurement

XS/S	28-34" [71-86.5 cm]
M	36-38" [91.5-96.5 cm]
L	40-42" [101.5-106.5 cm]
XL	44-46" [112-117 cm]
2/3XL	48-54" [122-137 cm]
4/5XL	56-62" [142-157.5 cm]

Finished chest

XS/S	36½" [93 cm]
M	45" [114.5 cm]
L	51" [129.5 cm]
XL	56½" [143.5 cm]
2/3XL	62" [157.5 cm]
4/5XL	68" [172.5 cm]

GAUGES

18 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking stitch.

14 sts and 20 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Ladder St Pattern, after stitches have been dropped.

ABBREVIATIONS

Alt = Alternate

Beg = Begin(ning)

Cont = Continuity

K = Knit

K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together

P = Purl

Pat = Pattern

PM = Place marker

Rem = Remaining

Rep = Repeat

RS = Right side

Ssk = Slip next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together

St(s) = Stitch(es)

WS = Wrong side

Yrn = Yarn around needle

Yo = Yarn over

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for **XS/S**. If changes are necessary for larger size(s) the instructions will be written **XS/S (M-L-XL-2/3XL-4/5XL)**. Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.

Note: Work will increase in width once Ladder stitches are dropped during cast-off.

FRONT & BACK (make 2 pieces alike)

Cast on **78 (96-108-120-132-144)** sts.

Work 6 rows garter st (knit every row), noting 1st row is RS.

Set up for pat as follows:

1st row: (Dec row - RS). *K1. K2tog. Rep from * to end of row. **52 (64-72-80-88-96)** sts.

2nd row: P4. *yo. P4. Rep from * to end of row. **64 (79-89-99-109-119)** sts. PM at each end of last row. When casting off, sts will be dropped down to this row.

3rd row: *K4. P1. Rep from * to last 4 sts. K4.

4th row: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows for pat until piece measures **16 (16-17-17-18-19)" [39.5 (39.5-44.5-44.5-45.5-48) cm]**, ending on a WS row.

Shape neck: Left side: 1st row: (RS). Pat across **19 (24-29-34-34-39)** sts. **Turn.** Leave rem sts unworked.

2nd row: Purl.

3rd row: Pat to last 2 sts. K2tog. Turn.

4th row: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows once more. **17 (22-27-32-32-37)** sts. Work a further 10 rows in pat.

Cast off knitwise as follows: *Cast off 3 sts. Drop purl st from left-hand needle, allowing it to unravel down to row with markers at each end. Slip st on right-hand needle onto left-hand needle. K2tog. Rep from * to last st. Cast off last st. Fasten off.

Cast off front neck and shape right shoulder: 1st row: (RS). Join yarn by picking up a st in side of last st of first row of neck shaping. Drop purl st. Slip st on right-hand needle onto left-hand needle. K2tog. *Cast off next 3 sts to next purl st. Drop purl st from left-hand needle, allowing it to unravel down to row with markers at each end. Make 2 'chain sts' on right-hand needle as follows: (insert tip of left needle through front of st on right-hand needle. Yrn and draw yarn through st onto right-hand needle) twice.** Slip st on right-hand needle onto left-hand needle. K2tog. Rep from * 3 (4-4-4-6-6) times, then from * to ** once. Slip st on right-hand needle onto left-hand needle. K2tog. Pat to end of row. 19 (24-29-34-34-39) sts.

2nd row: Purl.

3rd row: ssk. Pat to end of row.

4th row: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows once more. 17 (22-27-32-32-37) sts. Work a further 10 rows in pat.

Cast off knitwise as follows: Cast off 1 st. *Drop purl st from left-hand needle, allowing it to unravel down to row with markers at each end. Slip st on right-hand needle onto left-hand needle. K2tog. Cast off 3 sts. Rep from * to end of row. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Pin all pieces to measurements.

Cover with a damp cloth leaving cloth to dry.

Sew right shoulder seam.

Neck edging: With RS facing, pick up and knit 12 sts down right front neck edge. Pick up and knit 26 (31-31-31-41-41) sts along front neck cast-off edge. Pick up and knit 12 sts up right front neck edge. Pick up and knit 25 (30-30-30-40-40) sts along back neck edge. 75 (85-85-85-105-105) sts.

Next row: (WS). Knit. Cast off knitwise (RS).

Sew left shoulder and neck edging seam.

PM on side edges of Front and Back 8½ (8½-9½-9½-10-11)" [21.5 (21.5-24-24-25.5-28) cm] down from shoulders for armhole openings.

Sew side seams to markers.

