Men's Sweater Vest
A complimentary pattern designed by Lou Simon for **skacel collection, Inc.**

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

SIZE AND MATERIALS:

Size	S	M	L	XL
Finished Chest	36"	40"	44"	48"
Finished Length	25.5"	26"	26.5"	27.5"
Yarn	8 hanks (936 yds)	9 hanks (1053 yds)	10 hanks (1170 yds)	13 hanks (1170 yds)

Featured Yarn: Simplicity by **HiKoo**, 55% Merino Superwash, 28% Acrylic, 17% Nylon, 117 yds / 50g. Shown in Color A (#035).

addi Needles:

3.25 mm (approx US 3) 32" circular needle (or longer for larger sizes)

3.5 mm (approx US 4) 32" circular needle (or longer for larger sizes)

   or sizes needed to obtain gauge.

Additional Notions:

Stitch markers; stitch holders; cable needle; tapestry needle.

GAUGE:

20 sts / 28 rows = 4" x 4" in Stockinette Stitch using larger needle.

23 sts / 26 rows = 4" x 4" in Column Pattern using larger needle.

25 sts / 27 rows = 4" x 4" in Center Panel Pattern using larger needle.

To save time, check your gauge
and read all instructions thoroughly before beginning.

STITCH PATTERNS:

2 x 2 Rib:

Rnd 1 (and all following rnds): *K2, p2, rep from * to end of rnd.

Column (in Rounds): (worked over 9 sts)

Rnd 1: P1, k1 tbl, p5, k1 tbl, p1.

Rnd 2: P1, k1, p5, k1, p1.

Rnd 3: P1, k1 tbl, p1, k3, p1, k1 tbl, p1.

Rnd 4: P1, k1, p1, k3, p1, k1, p1.

Rep Rnds 1 - 4.

Column (in Rows): (worked over 9 sts)

Row 1(RS): P1, k1 tbl, p5, k1 tbl, p1.

Row 2: K1, p1, k5, p1, k1.

Row 3: P1, k1 tbl, p1, k3, p1, k1 tbl, p1.

Row 4: K1, p1, k1, p3, k1, p1, k1.

Rep Rows 1 - 4.

Center Panel (in Rounds): (worked over 36 sts)

Rnds 1, 5, 9 & 11: P1, k6, p2, k4, p2, LT, p2, RT, p2, k4, p2, k6, p1.

Rnd 2 (& all even rnds): P1, k6, p2, k4, p2, (k2, p2) 2x, k4, p2, k6, p1.

Rnds 3 & 7: P1, 3/3RC, p2, 2/2RC, p2, LT, p2, RT, p2, 2/2LC, p2, 3/3LC, p1.

Rep Rnds 1 - 12.

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Row 2 (& all even rows): K1, p6, k2, p4, k2, (p2, k2) 2x, p4, k2, p6, k1.

Rnds 3 & 7: P1, 3/3RC, p2, 2/2RC, p2, LT, p2, RT, p2, 2/2LC, p2, 3/3LC, p1.

Rep Rnds 1 - 12.

INSTRUCTIONS:

   Note: Body is worked in the round in one piece to armholes.

CO 180 (200, 220, 240) sts, place a stitch marker at beginning and after the 90th (100th, 110th, 120th) stitch to mark sides. Join in the round, being careful not to twist sts.

Work in 2 x 2 Rib pat for 2.5".

Inc Rnd: Working in St st, inc 14 (14, 16, 16) sts evenly across Front, and inc 12 (14, 14, 16) sts evenly across Back = 206 (228, 250, 272) sts.

   Note: 104 (114, 126, 136) sts for Front and 102 (114, 124, 136) sts for Back.

Work in rounds as follows:

K7 (3, 0, 5), work a row of Column pat 3 (4, 5, 5)x, work a row of Center Panel pat, work a row of Column pat 3 (4, 5, 5)x, k7 (3, 0, 5), sm, knit to end of rnd.

Cont in est pat until piece meas approx 15.5" (16", 16", 17") from CO.

Divide for Front & Back and Armhole Shaping:

Work in est pat to 5 (5, 7, 6) sts before side marker, BO 9 (10, 12, 12) sts for right Armhole (removing marker), work 94 (104, 114, 124) sts for Back, then place these sts on st holder or waste yarn, BO 4 (5, 5, 6) sts, remove marker.

Working now in rows, cont Armhole Shaping on Front as follows:

Next Row (RS): BO 5 (5, 7, 6) sts, work in est pat across row.

Next Row (WS, and all foll WS rows): Work sts as they appear.

Next Row (RS, and all foll RS Rows): Dec 1 stitch at each Armhole edge 6 (6, 7, 7)x as follows:

K1, SSK, work in est pat to last 3 sts of row, k2tog, k1 = 82 (92, 100, 110) sts.

Shape V-Neck:

On Next RS row, work 41 (46, 50, 55) sts in est pat, attach 2nd ball of yarn and work to end of row.

Working both sides at the same time, on every RS row, dec 1 stitch at each neck edge 19 (21, 23, 25)x as follows:

Work in est pat to 3 sts before neck, k2tog, k1, switch to 2nd yarn, k1, SSK, work in est pat to end of row = 22 (25, 27, 30) sts on each shoulder after all dec are worked.

Work even until piece meas 25.5" (26", 26.5", 27.5").

Place sts on waste yarn or stitch holders and move stitches on hold for Back to needles.

Back:

Working in St st, work Armhole Shaping same as for Front, then work even until Back meas 25.5" (26", 26.5", 27.5").

With RS facing, place first 22 (25, 27, 30) sts on stitch holder for right shoulder, 38 (42, 46, 50) sts on hold for Back neck, and rem 22 (25, 27, 30) sts on stitch holder for left shoulder.

FINISHING:

With RS facing, join Front to Back at shoulders using Three Needle Bind Off technique.

Armholes:

Using smaller size needles, PU 112 (120, 128, 136) sts around and work in 2 x 2 Rib pat for 4 rows, then bind off all sts in pat.

Neck:

With smaller size needles, move the sts for Back neck onto needle, PU 46 (50, 54, 58) sts along neck edge to center Front, pm, PU 1 stitch for center Front, pm, then PU 46 (50, 54, 58) sts along neck edge to shoulder = 131 (143, 155, 167) sts,

PM to note start of round and work 4 rounds as follows:

Work in 2 x 2 Rib to 2 sts before first marker, SSK, sm, k1, sm, k2tog, work in 2 x 2 Rib to end of rnd.

Bind off all sts. Weave in ends. Block lightly.

ABBREVIATIONS:

approx	approximate(ly)
BO	Bind Off
CO	Cast On
cont	continue(s) / continuing
dec	decrease(s) / decreased / decreasing
est	established
foll	follows / following
inc	increase(s) / increased / increasing
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together (decreases 1 stitch)
meas	measures
p	purl
pat	pattern
pm	place marker
PU	Pick Up
rem	remain(ing)
rep	repeat
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	Right Side
st(s)	stitch(es)
St st	Stockinette Stitch
sm	slip marker
SSK	Slip 2 stitches knit wise, one at a time, from the left needle to the right needle, then insert the left needle into the front of the slipped stitches and knit them together (decreases 1 stitch).
tbl	through the back loop
WS	Wrong Side
x	time(s)

Legend

Symbol	Meaning
☐	= k on RS, p on WS
·	= p on RS, k on WS
ℓ	= ktbl
/	= RT
\	= LT
/	= 2/2 RC
\	= 2/2 LC
/	= 3/3 RC
\	= 3/3 LC

Column Chart

Note: *When working in rounds, read chart only from the right. When working in rows, read chart from right and left.*

Center Panel Chart

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Men's Sweater Vest Schematic

Note: *The measurements between the Front and Back may not add up exactly, due to the differences in the three stitch gauges.*

The measurements of the schematic are therefore approximate and actual measurements may vary.