

Briar Rose Cardigan

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To Fit Chest Size: 34 inches

Actual Finished Chest Measurement: 38 inches.

Skill Level: Advanced – a good understanding of cables and partial pattern repeats is important. Short rows are used in shaping the yoke.

Materials: 30 oz. worsted weight yarn, size 6 (U.S.) circular knitting needles, three ½-inch buttons, cable needle, stitch markers. (Model was knit with Caron Simply Soft yarn.); Six 5/8 inch buttons.



Gauge: 5 sts/inch and 7 rows/inch in stockinette stitch.

Abbreviations:

LT (left twist): knit into back of 2nd st on needle and leave on needle, then k2tog-b.

RT (right twist): knit into 2nd st on needle and leave on needle, then k2tog.

rs – right side

ws – wrong side

RFC – sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle.

LFC – sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle.

Central Double Increase – knit into front and then back of next st, then lift vertical strand between 2 sts just made to left-hand needle, and knit.

Patterns:

Briar Rose: (13 sts)

Row 1(rs): p3, LT, p1, LT, RT, p3.

Row 2: k4, p2, k2, p1, k4.

Row 3: p2, (k1, yo, k1) in next st, turn and p3, turn, k3, p1, LT, p1, RT, p4.

Row 4: k4, p2, k1, p1, k2, p3tog-b, k2.

Row 5: p2, LT, p1, k1-b, RT, LT, p3.

Row 6: k3, p1, k2, p2, k1, p1, k3.

Row 7: p3, LT, RT, p1, RT, p3.

Row 8: k4, p1, k2, p2, k4.

Row 9: p4, LT, p1, RT, p1, (k1, yo, k1) in next st, turn and p3, turn, k3, p2.

Row 10: k2, p3tog-b, k2, p1, k1, p2, k4.

Row 11: p3, RT, LT, k1-b, p1, RT, p2.

Row 12: k3, p1, k1, p2, k2, p1, k3.

Four-Stitch Cable: (4 sts)

Row 1(rs): sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

Row 2: p4

Row 3: k4

Row 4: p4

Braid Cable: (6 sts)

Row 1(rs): sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle, k2.

Row 2: p6.

Row 3: k2, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

Row 4: p6.

Chain Cable: (10 sts)

Row 1(ws): p2, k6, p2.

Row 2: k2, p6, k2.

Row 3: p2, k6, p2.

Row 4: sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle, sl 4 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k4 from cable needle.

Row 5: k2, p6, k2.

Row 6: p2, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle, k2, p2.

Row 7: k2, p6, k2.

Row 8: p2, k2, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle, p2.

Row 9: k2, p6, k2.

Rows 10-13: repeat rows 6-9.

Rows 14-15: repeat rows 6-7.

Row 16: sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k4, then k2 from cable needle.

Row 17-20: Repeat rows 1-2 twice.

Right Border Cable: (7 sts)

Row 1(ws): p2, k5.

Row 2: p4, RFC.

Row 3: k1, p2, k4.

Row 4: k3, RFC, k1.

Row 5: p1, k1, p2, k3.

Row 6: k2, RFC, k1, p1.

Row 7: k1, p1, k1, p2, k2.

Row 8: k1, RFC, k1, p1, k1.

Row 9: (p1, k1) twice, p2, k1.

Row 10: RFC, (k1, p1) twice.

Row 11: (k1, p1) twice, k1, p2.

Row 12: LFC, (p1, k1) twice.

Row 13: (p1, k1) twice, p2, k1.

Row 14: p1, LFC, p1, k1, p1.

Row 15: k1, p1, k1, p2, k2.
Row 16: p2, LFC, p1, k1.
Row 17: p1, k1, p2, k3.
Row 18: p3, LFC, p1.
Row 19: k1, p2, k4.
Row 20: p4, LFC.

Left Border Cable: (7 sts)

Row 1(ws): k5, p2.
Row 2: LFC, p5.
Row 3: k4, p2, k1.
Row 4: k1, LFC, p3.
Row 5: k3, p2, k1, p1.
Row 6: p1, k1, LFC, p2.
Row 7: k2, p2, k1, p1, k1.
Row 8: k1, p1, k1, LFC, p1.
Row 9: k1, p2, (k1, p1) twice.
Row 10: (p1, k1) twice, LFC.
Row 11: p2, (k1, p1) twice, k1.
Row 12: (k1, p1) twice, RFC.
Row 13: k1, p2, (k1, p1) twice.
Row 14: p1, k1, p1, RFC, p1.
Row 15: k2, p2, k1, p1, k1.
Row 16: k1, p1, RFC, p2.
Row 17: k3, p2, k1, p1.
Row 18: p1, RFC, p3.
Row 19: k4, p2, k1.
Row 20: RFC, p4.

Broken Diamond Cable: (24 sts)

Row 1 (ws): p1, k8, p6, k8, p1.
Row 2: sl 1, p8, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then k3 from cable needle, p8, sl 1.
Row 3: repeat row 1.
Row 4: sl 1, p7, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then p1 from cable needle, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k3 from cable needle, p7, sl 1.
Row 5: p1, k7, p3, k2, p3, k7, p1.
Row 6: sl 1, p6, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then p1 from cable needle, p2, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k3 from cable needle, p6, sl 1.
Row 7: p1, k6, p3, k4, p3, k6, p1.
Row 8: sl 1, p5, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle, k1, p4, k1, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle, p5, sl 1.
Row 9: p1, k5, p2, k1, p1, k4, p1, k1, p2, k5, p1.
Row 10: sl 1, p4, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle, p1, LT, p2, RT, p1, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle, p4, sl 1.
Row 11: p1, k4, p2, k3, p1, k2, p1, k3, p2, k4, p1.
Row 12: sl 1, p3, RT, k1, p3, LT, RT, p3, k1, LT, p3, sl 1.
Row 13: p1, k3, p1, k1, p1, k4, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then p1 from cable needle, k4, p1, k1, p1, k3, p1.

Row 14: sl 1, p2, RT, p1, LT, p2, RT, LT, p2, RT, p1, LT, p2, sl 1.
 Row 15: p1, k2, p1, k3, (p1, k2) 4 times, k1, p1, k2, p1.
 Row 16: sl 1, p2, k1, p3, LT, RT, p2, LT, RT, p3, k1, p2, sl 1.
 Row 17: p1, k2, p1, (k4, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, p1, then p1 from cable needle) twice, k4, p1, k2, p1.
 Row 18: sl 1, p2, k1, p3, RT, LT, p2, RT, LT, p3, k1, p2, sl 1.
 Row 19: repeat row 15.
 Row 20: sl 1, p2, LT, p1, RT, p2, LT, RT, p2, LT, p1, RT, p2, sl 1.
 Row 21: repeat row 13.
 Row 22: sl 1, p3, LT, k1, p3, RT, LT, p3, k1, RT, p3, sl 1.
 Row 23: repeat row 11.
 Row 24: sl 1, p4, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle, p1, RT, p2, LT, p1, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle, p4, sl 1.
 Row 25: repeat row 9.
 Row 26: sl 1, p5, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle, k1, p4, k1, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle, p5, sl 1.
 Row 27: repeat row 7.
 Row 28: sl 1, p6, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k3 from cable needle, p2, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then p1 from cable needle, p6, sl 1.
 Row 29: repeat row 5.
 Row 30: sl 1, p7, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k3 from cable needle, sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k3, then p1 from cable needle, p7, sl 1.

Directions:

Yoke: (yoke is shaped by short rows – take special note of which row you are on for each pattern as you work, since the short rows cause you to be working different rows of the patterns at the same time)
 Cast on 42 sts.

Row 1: p1, sl 1, p2, work row 1 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, work row 1 of Briar Rose, p2, work row 1 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, sl 1, p2, work row 1 of BRAID CABLE, p2.
 Row 2: k2, work row 2 of BRAID CABLE, k2, p1, k2, work row 2 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, work row 2 of Briar Rose, k2, work row 2 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, p2.
 Row 3 (short row): p1, sl 1, p2, work row 3 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, turn.
 Row 4: k2, work row 4 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, p2.
 Row 5 (short row): p1, sl 1, p2, work row 1 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, work row 3 of Briar Rose, p2, work row 3 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, turn.
 Row 6: work row 4 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, work row 4 of Briar Rose, k2, work row 2 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, p2.
 Row 7 (full row): p1, sl 1, p2, work row 3 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, work row 5 of Briar Rose, p2, work row 1 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, p2, sl 1, p2, work row 3 of BRAID CABLE, p2.
 Row 8: k2, work row 4 of BRAID CABLE, k2, p1, k2, work row 2 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, work row 6 of Briar Rose, k2, work row 4 of FOUR-STITCH CABLE, k2, p2.

Rows 3-8 set pattern for short rows. Continue to work short rows as set (rows 3-8), keeping in respective patterns as set until yoke measures approximately 46 inches on long edge of yoke, and 16 ½ inches along short edge (neck edge).

Bind off on next row, completing cables as you bind off.

Pick up 320 sts on long edge of yoke.
(Sweater is worked in one piece down to armholes.)

Rows 1 and 2 set pattern. Instructions between (** **)'s are the raglan armhole shaping instructions. After rows 1 and 2, only the instructions for the armhole shaping will be given, as those instructions change on every row. The rest of the pattern will remain as originally set, so the set pattern will not be included on subsequent rows. It is a good idea to separate the individual cable patterns with stitch markers to keep your place, as well as placing stitch markers at either side of the raglan shaping.

Row 1 (ws): k2, work row 1 of Chain Cable, row 1 of Left Border Cable, row 1 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 1 of Right Border Cable, (**p1**), [row 1 of Chain Cable, row 1 of Left Border Cable, row 1 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 1 of Right Border Cable, row 1 of Chain Cable,] (**p1**), row 1 of Left Border Cable, row 1 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 1 of Right Border Cable, row 1 of Chain Cable, row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable, row 1 of Chain Cable, row 1 of Left Border Cable, row 1 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 1 of Right Border Cable, (**p1**), repeat between []'s once, (**p1**), row 1 of Left Border Cable, row 1 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 1 of Right Border Cable, row 1 of Chain Cable, k2. (320 sts)

Row 2: p2, row 2 of Chain Cable, row 2 of Right Border Cable, row 2 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 2 of Left Border Cable, (** Central Double Increase **), [row 2 of Chain Cable, row 2 of Right Border Cable, row 2 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 2 of Left Border Cable, row 2 of Chain Cable], (** Central Double Increase **), row 2 of Right Border Cable, row 2 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 2 of Left Border Cable, row 2 of Chain Cable, row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, row 2 of Chain Cable, row 2 of Right Border Cable, row 2 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 2 of Left Border Cable, (** Central Double Increase **), repeat between []'s once, (** Central Double Increase **), row 2 of Right Border Cable, row 2 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 2 of Left Border Cable, row 2 of Chain Cable, p2. (328 sts)

Row 3: patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt.

Row 4: patt, (**k3**), patt, (** k3 **), patt, (** k3 **), patt, k3 **, patt.

Row 5: patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt, (** p3 **), patt.

Row 6: patt, (**k1, Central Double Increase, k1 **), patt, (** k1, Central Double Increase, k1 **), patt, (** k1, Central Double Increase, k1 **), patt, (** k1, Central Double Increase, k1 **), patt. (336 sts)

Row 7: patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt.

Row 8: patt, (**k5**), patt, (** k5 **), patt, (** k5 **), patt, (** k5 **), patt.

Row 9: patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt, (** p5 **), patt.

Row 10: patt, (**k2, Central Double Increase, k2 **), patt, (**k2, Central Double Increase, k2 **), patt, (**k2, Central Double Increase, k2 **), patt, (**k2, Central Double Increase, k2 **), patt. (344 sts)

Row 11: patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt.

Row 12: patt, (**k7**), patt, (** k7 **), patt, (** k7 **), patt, (** k7**), patt.

Row 13: patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt, (** p7 **), patt.

Row 14: patt, (**k3, Central Double Increase, k3 **), patt, (**k3, Central Double Increase, k3 **), patt, (**k3, Central Double Increase, k3 **), patt, (**k3, Central Double Increase, k3 **), patt. (352 sts)

Row 15: patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt.

Row 16: patt, (** k5, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, k5 **), patt, (** k5, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, k5 **), patt.

Row 17: patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt, (** p9 **), patt.

Row 18: patt, (** k4, Central Double Increase, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, Central Double Increase, k4 **), patt, (**k4, Central Double Increase, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, Central Double Increase, k4 **), patt. (360 sts)

Row 19: patt, (** p6, k1, work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable, k1, p6 **), patt, (** p6, k1, work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable, k1, p6 **), patt.

Row 20: patt, (** sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p2 from cable needle, p1, k1, p1, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, p1, k1, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p3, then k2 from cable needle **), patt, (**sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p2 from cable needle, p1, k1, p1, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, p1, k1, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p3, then k2 from cable needle **), patt.

Row 21: patt, (** p2, k3, p1, k1, work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable, k1, p1, k3, p2 **), patt, (**p2, k3, p1, k1, work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable, k1, p1, k3, p2 **), patt.

Row 22: patt, (** k2, p3, Central Double Increase, p1, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, p1, Central Double Increase, p3, k2 **), patt, (**k2, p3, Central Double Increase, p1, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, p1, Central Double Increase, p3, k2 **), patt. (368 sts)

Row 23: patt, (** p2, k4, p1, k2, work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable, k2, p1, k4, p2 **), patt, (**p2, k4, p1, k2, work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable, k2, p1, k4, p2 **), patt.

Row 24: patt, (** k2, p4, k1, p2, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, p2, k1, p4, k2 **), patt, (**k2, p4, k1, p2, work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 1 of Four-Stitch Cable, p2, k1, p4, k2 **), patt.

Row 25: patt, (** p2, k4, p1, k2, work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (** work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable, k2, p1, k4, p2 **), patt, (**p2, k4, p1, k2, work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable **), patt, (**work row 2 of Four-Stitch Cable, k2, p1, k4, p2 **), patt.

Separate Sleeves from Body (sleeves will be completed before remainder of body is worked)

Row 26: patt, (** k2, p4, k1, begin 1st sleeve as follows:

∅ Cast on 5 sts, p2, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable**), patt, (**work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, p2, cast on 5 sts. Turn. (70 sts)

Remainder of Sleeve will be worked on these sts before continuing with row 26. Leave unworked sts on needle while you work the sleeve.

Work sleeve flat in patterns as set, working 7 sts at each edge in reverse st st.

Work even for 1 ½ inches, and then dec 1 st each side every 7 rows until 62 sts rem. Work even until Broken Diamond Pattern crosses at center, then work 3 more rows even.

P2 tog across next row (31 sts) (this is a right side row) Do not cut yarn.

For Cuff, cast on 13 sts.

Row 1: K1, p1, k2, work row 2 of braid cable, k2, p2 tog, turn.

Row 2: sl 1, p2, work row 3 of braid cable, p2, sl 1, k1.

These two rows set pattern, continue working those two rows, working rows of braid cable at same time, until all sts of cuff have been worked in. Bind off.

Sew sleeve seam. Ø

Now, continuing row 26, pick up 11 sts across underarm of sleeve, p2, work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable**), patt, (**work row 3 of Four-Stitch Cable, p2, begin 2nd sleeve...

Work same as 1st sleeve between Ø's.

Continue working row 26 as follows: k1, p4, k2**) patt.

Row 27: k2, work row 7 of Chain Cable, row 7 of Left Border Cable, row 27 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 7 of Right Border Cable, work row 7 of Chain Cable, k3, work row 7 of Chain cable, row 7 of Left Border Cable, row 27 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 7 of Right Border Cable, row 7 of Chain Cable, row 4 of Four-Stitch Cable, row 7 of Chain Cable, row 7 of Left Border Cable, row 27 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 7 of Right Border Cable, row 7 of Chain Cable, k3, row 7 of Chain cable, row 7 of Left Border Cable, row 27 of Broken Diamond Cable, row 7 of Right Border Cable, row 7 of Chain Cable, k2.

Patterns are now set up for body of sweater.

Keeping in set pattern work even until body measures 10 inches from bottom of yoke shaping.

Round bottom fronts of cardigan as follows:

Keeping in set pattern, bind off 1 st at beg of next 2 rows.

Work 2 rows even.

Bind off 1 st at beg of next 4 rows.

Bind off 2 sts at beg of next 8 rows.

Bind off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Bind off 6 sts at beg of next 4 rows.

Bind off rem sts.

Button/Buttonhole Band:

Note: All buttonholes are made on a wrong side row. The first buttonhole is made on row 4 of pattern and is made as follows: k2, p2, yo, p2 tog, p2, k2. All buttonholes are made in the same manner.

Cast on 10 sts.

Row 1(rs):p2, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle, k2, p2.

Row 2: k2, p6, k2.

Row 3: p2, k2, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle, p2.

Row 4: k2, p6, k2.

Repeat these 4 rows (making first buttonhole on 4th row, and then every 2 ½ inches until a total of 6 buttonholes have been made. Continue without buttonholes until band, slightly stretched, fits around entire edge of sweater. Bind off.

Sew band to edge of sweater, with buttonholes on Right Front.
Sew buttons to match buttonholes.