

### NECK SHAPING

K 26 (27, 29, 30) sts. Join 2nd skein of yarn; BO center 7 (7, 9, 9) sts; k to end of row. Both shoulder sections are worked at the same time with separate skeins.

BO 2 sts at neck edge at beg of every other row until 18 (19, 21, 22) sts rem on each shoulder.

Work 1" more in St st. Leave sts on needles or holder.

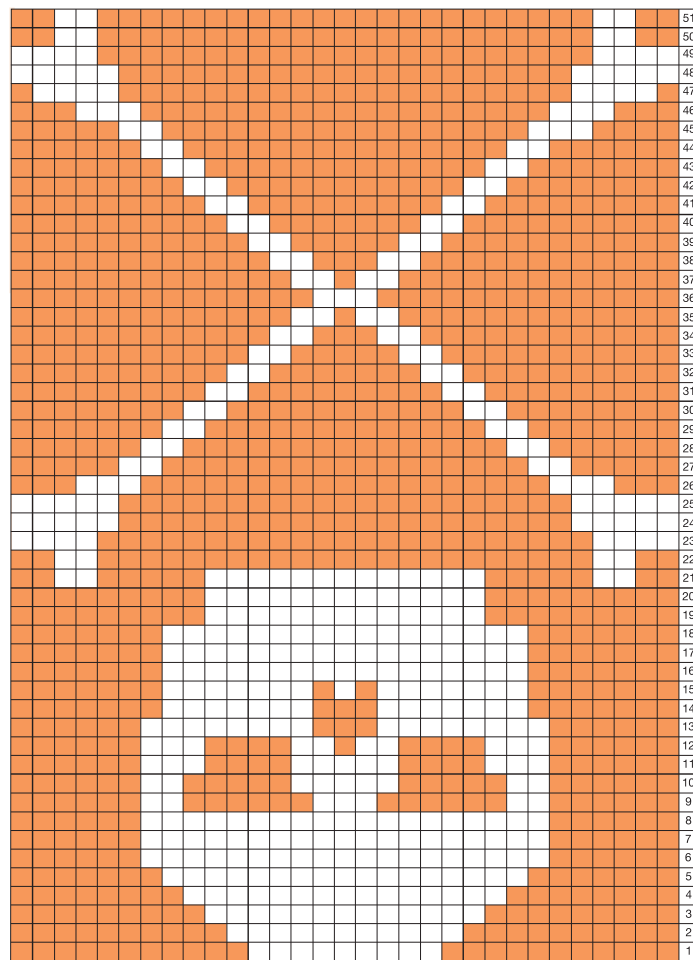
### BACK

Work same as front, *except* when you have decreased to 18 (19, 21, 21) sts at shoulders, just stop there—don't knit the extra inch. Leave sts on needle or holder.

### JOIN SHOULDERS AND MAKE NECKBAND

When front and back are finished, put RS together and join 1 shoulder using 3-needle BO over 18 sts for a strong, compact seam.

With RS facing, and beg at edge of neck, pu and k 54 (54, 58, 58) sts evenly around the neckline. Work 1" in k1, p1 rib. Loosely BO in rib.



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Join second shoulder seam using 3-needle BO and sew neckband seam.

### SLEEVE

Lay front and back flat.

With RS facing and MC, pu and k 43 (45, 49, 51) sts at armhole.