Fixation
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**Materials:** Fixation— 7-10 skeins of #8176 MC
2 skeins of #7360 CC

**Finished Sizes:** 36”, 39”, 42”, 45”
**Finished Length:** 25”, 26”, 27”, 28”
**US Needle Size:** #5 and #9

**Tension:** 6 sts = 1” (in Stocking Stitch on #9 needle)
Because of the elastic in this yarn, you get to use a larger needle than usual to get the
stitch count.

**Back:** Using MC and #5 needle, cast on 112/120/128/136 sts and work in k2m p2 rib as follows:
1. *k1, (p2,k2) *repeat to last 3 sts., p2, k1
2. All even rows, work the sts as they present themselves. ei: knit the knit sts, purl the
purl sts.

Work in rib for 10 rows in MC, then for 10 rows in CC. Repeat these 20 rows 2 times more (3
sets of stripes).
Change to #9 needle and working MC only, continue in st. st until back measures
25”/26”/27”/28” from beginning. Bind of 40/43/46/49 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows
and leave remaining center 32/34/36/38 sts on a holder to be used later.

**Front:** Work as for back until piece measures 22.5/23.5/24.5/25.5” total and shape neck. Leave
center 10/10/12/12 sts on a holder and work each shoulder as follows: AT NECK EDGE ONLY
bind off 2 sts 3 times, then 1 sts every other row 5/6/6/7 times. When front is the same length
as the back, bind off remaining 40/43/46/49 sts for shoulder.

Sew should seams together and mark the center front st. With #5 needles and starting with
right side facing and at CENTER FRONT, pick up and knit 36 sts up left front, 64 sts across back
neck and 36 sts down right front. Place stitch marker to mark the center front and work in rib
beginning with row 1 as for back and front. Work 2 round in rib with MC, then work 2 rounds,
with CC. **For the next 6 rows you will be working back and forth in CC.** Then work in the round
again and complete 1 more MC section, 1 more CC section, then 1 round in MC. Bind off in
pattern and using MC. Fold the band back and sew down to the inside of the sweater. After
making 1-Cords, thread 1 through the opening left in the neck band and tie a knot in each end.

**Sleeves:** With larger needle and main color cast on 98/98/110/110 sts and work in rib pattern
for 1”. Bind off 4 sts, at the beginning of the next 2 rows 1 time, then bind off 2 sts at the begin-
nning of each row 5 times, then 1 st at each end of every other row 20 times. When sleeve
measures 6: (for all sizes) bind off 5 sts at the beginning of each row until there are no more sts
left.

I-Cord: With #5, #^ or #7 DPN’s, make a 3 st I-Cord for 30”. Bind off and tie a knot in each end, then string the I-Cord through the neck band opening.