LACY BEAUTY

Style No. 726

These directions are for size 14. Changes for sizes 16 and 18 are in parentheses.

MATERIALS:

Bernat Boucle de Laine: 6(7-8) balls

1 pair straight knitting needles No. 2 (standard)

1 steel crochet hook No. 4

1 pair shoulder pads

1 slide fastener 5 inch length

GAUGE: 15 sts — 2 inches

12 rows — 1 inch

PATTERN STITCH: Multiple of 3 sts plus 1 st

Rows 1 through 5: Knit.

Rows 6 through 17: K 2, * y o, K 2 tog, K 1, repeat

from * across row, ending y o, K 2 tog.

Rows 18 through 23: Knit.

Repeat from Row 6 for pattern st. Note: When doing shaping be sure to keep pattern. Note that the single K 1 on each row is the y o st of the previous row.

BACK: Using No. 2 needles, cast on 103(109-118) sts. Work even in pattern st for 4½ inches. On the next row inc 1 st each end of needle and repeat this inc every ¾ inch 8 times more. Work even on 121(127-136) sts until there are 8(8-9) stripes of lace st, ending with Row 17.

SHAPE ARMHOLES: Starting on Row 18, at the beg of each of the next 2 rows bind off 6(6–7) sts. At the beg of each of the next 2 rows bind off 6 sts. Work even on 97(103–110) sts until there are 9(9–10) lace patterns from beg.

BACK OPENING: Divide sts in half, binding off centre st on sizes 14 and 16 only. Tie in another ball of yarn and work both sides at once, keeping 4 sts at each inner edge in garter st (K every row) until there are 4(4–5) complete patterns above armhole ending with Row 22.

SHAPE NECK: At each inner edge bind off 16(17-19) sts. Continue in pattern st, keeping 4 sts at inner edge in garter st until armhole measures $7(7\frac{1}{4}-7\frac{1}{2})$ inches.

SHAPE SHOULDERS: At each arm edge bind off 16(17–18) sts twice.

FRONT: Using No. 2 needles, cast on 109(118–124) sts. Work even in pattern st for 4½ inches. On the next row inc 1 st each end of needle and repeat this inc every ¾ inch 8 times more. Work even on 127(136–142) sts until piece measures same length as back.

SHAPE ARMHOLES: At the beg of each of the next 2 rows bind off 8 sts. At the beg of each of the next 2 rows bind off 7(8-8) sts. Work even on 97(104-110) sts until there are 3(3-4) patterns above binding off, ending with Row 22.

SHAPE NECK Work across 32(34-36) sts; bind off next 33(36-38) sts; work across last 32(34-36) sts. Work even on both sides at once, keeping 4 sts at each neck edge in garter st until armhole is same length as back armhole.

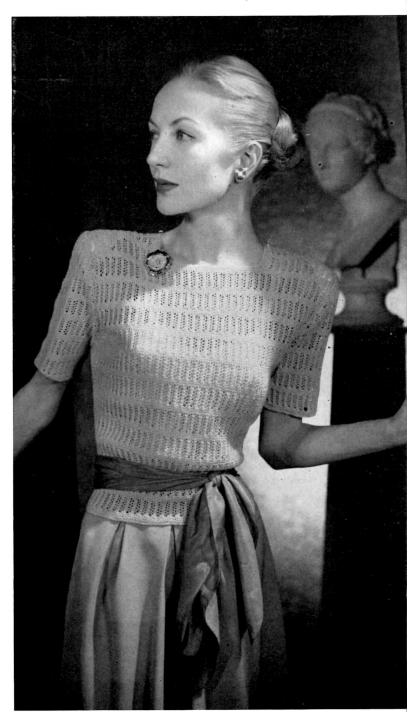
SHAPE SHOULDERS: At each arm edge bind off 16(17–18) sts twice.

SLEEVES: Using No. 2 needles, cast on 82(85–88) sts. Work in pattern st inc 1 st each end of needle every ½ inch 6

times. Work even on 94(97–100) sts until there are 3 lace pattern stripes, ending with Row 17.

SHAPE CAP: At the beg of each of the next 4 rows bind off 7(7-8) sts. Dec 1 st each end of needle every 4th row until cap measures 4(4½-4¾) inches. At the beg of each of the next 6 rows bind off 2 sts. Bind off remaining sts.

FINISHING: Sew underarm, shoulder and sleeve seams. Set in sleeves. Work 1 row s c around all edges. Block to size. Sew in slide fastener and shoulder pads.



HINTS FOR BETTER KNITTING

STITCH GAUGE:

The term "STITCH GAUGE" is the most important part of any knitting directions, since the sizing of any knitted garment is planned on this gauge. You **must** work to the gauge which is given or your finished work will not be the size indicated in the directions.

TO CHECK STITCH GAUGE:

Cast on approximately 20 sts, using the yarn and needles which will be used for the body of your work. Work in the pattern st specified for 3 inches. Bind off all sts. Block this knitted swatch and then, using a ruler, count the number of sts to 1 inch. If your stitch gauge is **more** sts to 1 inch than that given in the directions, try the next size larger needle and again check your gauge. If your stitch gauge is

less sts to 1 inch than that given in the directions, try the next size smaller needle and again check your gauge. The **important thing** to remember is that the size of needle used does not matter as long as your stitch gauge is correct.

SELECTION OF COLOR:

Every woman has her own personal preferences in colors, based on the colors which are most flattering to her and will harmonize with the rest of her wardrobe. For this reason we have not specified any particular color for any model, other than for those models where a combination of colors has been used. Even in these models, let your own individuality express itself by choosing other color combinations if you wish.

SELECTION OF THE PROPER SIZE:

All models in this book have been planned on the basis of

the following measurements. Take your own measurements and then, referring to the chart, select the size which is proper for you.

Size	12	14	16	18	20
Bust	31′′	33′′	35′′	37′′	39′′
Waist	25′′	261/2′′	28′′	30′′	32′′
Shoulder Back	12′′	13′′	13¾′′	141/2′′	15′′
Shoulder	4′′	41/4′′	41/2′′	43/4′′	5′′
Back of Neck	4''	41/2′′	43/4′′	5′′	5′′
Armhole Depth	63/4′′	7''	71/4′′	71/2"	7¾′′
Waist to Underarm	71/2"	8′′	8′′	81/2′′	81/2′′
Underarm Sleeve Length (Long Sleeve)	161/2′′	171/2"	18′′	18′′	181/2′′
Sleeve Width at Underarm	1134′′	121/4′′	13′′	131/2′′	14''
Hip	33′′	35′′	37′′	39′′	41′′

GARTER STITCH:

Knit every row. It will take 2 rows to make 1 ridge.

STOCKINETTE STITCH:

K 1 row, P 1 row alternately when working on straight needles. When working round and round on a circular needle or on double point needles, knit every round.

SEED STITCH:

On the first row * K 1, P 1, repeat from * across row. On all subsequent rows K over the P st and P over the K st.

RIBBING:

On the first row work in the ribbing pattern specified. On all other rows K over the K sts and P over the P sts.

TO SLIP A STITCH:

Whenever the directions specify a sl st, always insert the right hand needle in the st to be slipped as if to purl, unless otherwise indicated.

JOINING YARN:

If possible always join a new ball of yarn at the beginning of a row. When it is necessary to join yarn while working across a row, leave an end about 4 inches long; then work next st from new ball of yarn, also leaving a 4-inch end. After working 1 inch more, tie these 2 ends in a square knot so that tension will be the same as all other sts. When finishing work, run in these ends on wrong side for 1 inch.

MARKERS:

When work specifies the use of a marker, use a small round paper clip for this purpose. In working always slip this marker from one needle to the other.

ABBREVIATIONS

Kknit		
Ppurl		
st(s)stitch(es)		
incincrease		
decdecrease		
togtogether		
begbeginning		
y o yarn over		
slslip		
sl stslip stitch		
pssopass slip stitch over knit stitch		
d pdouble point		
chchain		
s csingle crochet		
d cdouble crochet		

^{*—} this symbol indicates that the directions immediately following are to be repeated a given number of times.

[&]quot;Work even" means to work without increasing or decreasing, always keeping pattern as established.