SIZES
XS (S, M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
32 (36, 40, 44, 48, 52, 56)” chest

YARN
Blue Sky Alpacas, Inc. Blue Sky Cotton (100% Cotton; 150 yards / 100 grams): 5 (5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 9) hanks #621, Expresso

NEEDLES
One or two 30-inch or longer circular (circ) needles, size 7 (4.5mm)
One set double point needles, size 7 (4.5 mm) (optional)
Change needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge

NOTIONS
Stitch markers
Five 1-inch buttons
Four ¼-inch or 1 inch buttons for inside of coat
One ¼-inch button for inside neck loop closure (optional)
Scrap yarn
Tapestry needle
Thread
Fantastic fur collar (optional and only if it is truly fantastic and looks effortless)

GAUGE
18 sts and 22 rows = 4” (10 cm) in Stockinette Stitch (St st)

DIFFICULTY
Beginner pattern—you’ll increase, knit and purl and do a few yarn overs and knit two togethers. That’s pretty much it.

Current Sleeve Shaping: Join for working in the rnd. Work around Sleeve in St st for 14 rnds. Beg of next rd: K1, k2tog, work to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1. 52 (56, 58, 66, 74, 78, 86) sts. Rep Sleeve shaping rnd an additional 1 time on the foll 7th rnd. 50 (54, 56, 64, 72, 76, 84) sts.

ALTERNATIVE SHAPING: Depending upon the size you are knitting and personal preference, you may want more “flair” in your sleeves. If that is the case, instead of: “K1, k2tog, work to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1,” Work increases instead, as follows: K1, m1, work to 1 st before marker, m1, k1. Rep shaping rnd an add’l 1 time on the following 7th round. 58 (62, 64, 72, 80, 84, 92)sts. Continue working sleeves as directed.