DECO CARDIGAN

This classically styled unisex cardigan draws inspiration from a 1930s stained-glass light fixture with panes stacked in a cascading brick pattern. Placed at the sides and under the arm, the intarsia adds just a touch of drama. Want a little less contrast? Choose two shades of the same color for a subtler pattern.

Read the instructions carefully when working this pattern so that the intarsia isn't interrupted by shaping.

Finished Size
34½ (38½, 42½, 47, 51, 55)" (87.5 [98, 108, 119.5, 129.5, 139.5] cm) chest circumference, including 1" (2.5 cm) overlap, and 23¼ (24¼, 25¾, 26¼, 27¾, 28¾)" (59 [61.5, 65.5, 66.5, 70.5, 73] long.

Cardigan shown measures 45½" (115.5 cm) with 1½" (3.8 cm) of ease.

Yarn
Worsted weight (#4 Medium).

Shown: Cascade Yarns 220 Heathers (100% Peruvian Highland wool; 220 yd [201 m]/100 g): #2448 Mallard (MC), 6 (7, 7, 8, 9, 9) skeins; #2440 Vinci (CC), 1 (1, 1, 1, 2, 2) skein(s).

Needles
Size U.S. 6 (4 mm): 24" (40 cm) and 40" (100 cm) or longer circular (cir) or straight.

Size U.S. 7 (4.5 mm): 16" (40 cm) cir or straight.

Adjust needle sizes if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Notions
Stitch markers (m); tapestry needle.

Six ⅞" (22 cm) buttons.

Gauge
20 sts and 30 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st with larger needles, blocked.

Knitting Knowledge

This project is worked flat and requires:

- Knitting with circular needles
- Casting on and binding off
- Reading charts
- Knitting and purling
- Working intarsia
- Knitting short-rows
- Knitting buttonholes
- Working duplicate stitch
- Finishing

Notes

Split CC into two balls, roughly equal in size, for working the two intarsia sections on the back and sleeves.

The chart shows thin vertical and horizontal lines of MC. To make knitting easier (and the sides and sleeves less bulky), treat the intarsia section (see Techniques, page 141) as one solid block. Once each piece is made, duplicate stitch vertical and horizontal lines with MC to create the vertical and horizontal lines dividing up the CC section.