

Baby Cardigan.

You will need: one pair size 4mm (8) and one pair 3¼ mm (10) needles four buttons four balls double knitting wool Abbreviations.

Alt = alternate; beg = beginning; cm = centimetres; dec = decrease; inc = increase; in = inches; k = knit; p = purl; pssso = pass slipped stitch over; rep = repeat; sl = slip; st = stitch; sts = stitches; st st = stocking stitch (1 row k, 1 row p); tbl = through back of loop; tog = together; yf = yarn forward.

Back

Using smaller needles cast on 57 stitches.

First row (right side) K1* p1, k1, rep from * to end

Second row P1* k1. p1, rep from * to end Rep

these 2 rows 4 times more.

Change to larger needles and work in st st, starting knit, until back measures 14 cm (5½ inches) - 30 rows Shape raglan armholes

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows

Third row K1, sl1, k1. pssso, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

Fourth row purl

Rep last 2 rows until 21 sts remain, ending with the purl row. Next row, K1, sl1,

k2tog, pssso, k to last 4 sts, k3tog, k1 Next row, purl Cast off remaining sts.

Left Front

Using smaller needles, cast on 32 sts.

First row (right side) *K1, p1, rep from * to last 6 sts, k6

Second row K5, p1, *k1, p1, rep from * to end

Rep the last 2 rows 4 times more, increasing one st at end of last row (33 sts) Change to larger needles and keeping garter stitch border correct, work in st st starting knit until front measures same as back to armholes, ending at side edge Shape Raglan Armhole and Front Neck Cast off 3 sts at beg of next row.

Second row K5, purl to end

Third row K1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k to last 7 sts, k2tog, k5

Dec 1 st at raglan edge as before on every alt row, at the same time dec 1 st inside garter stitch border as before on every alt row twice more, then every following 4th row 5 times (9 sts remain). Keeping neck edge straight, continue raglan decs on every alt row as before until 7 sts remain.

Next row K5, p2tog tbl.

Next row K2tog, k4, 5 sts remain.

Work 20 rows in garter stitch on remaining 5 sts. Cast off.

Right Front.

Using smaller needles cast on 32 sts.

First row K6, * p1, k1, rep from * to end

Second row *P1, k1, rep from * to last 6 sts, p1, k5 Rep the last 2 rows once more.

Next row (buttonhole) K1, k2tog, yf, k3, *p1 k1, rep from * to end

Work 5 more rows in garter stitch and rib, increasing 1st at beg of last row (33 sts) Change to larger needles, and keeping garter stitch border correct and making button holes to match markers on right side rows as before, working st st until front measures same as back to armholes ending at side edge.

Shape Raglan Armhole and Front Neck

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next row

Next row K5, sl1, k1, pss0, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 Complete to match Left Front reversing shapings

Sleeves

Using smaller needles cast on 33sts and work 10 rows in k1, p1 rib, as given for back. Change to larger needles and work 4 rows in st st, starting knit. Increase 1 st at each end of next and every following 5th row until there are 43 sts. Work straight until sleeve measures 15 cm (6in) Shape Raglan Top.

Cast off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows.i

Work 2 rows straight

Next row K1, sl1, k1, pss0, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

Next row purl

Rep last 4 rows twice more.

Rep last 2 rows only until 15 sts remain, ending with the purl row. Next row K1, sl1, k2tog, pss0, k to last 4 sts, k3tog, k1

Next row purl

Rep last 2 rows once more

Cast off

To finish

Join raglan, side & sleeve seams. Join ends of neckband and sew in place across back neck. Press seams. Sew on buttons.

