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Baby's 4ply Medium Buttoning Cardigan



CARDIGAN DESIGN

You can choose to make this little cardigan in stocking stitch in one colour, or elect to knit in stripes of different colours, or even design your own border or overall pattern. This is a basic pattern for you to style your own design.

You can also opt to use a variegated yarn and use a plain contrast for the bands – this is quite effective as shown in our illustration

Size – months		3	6	12	24
To fit chest	cm	40	45	50	55
Garment Measures	cm	46	52	58	64
Full Length	cm	25	28	31	35
Sleeve length	cm	14	17	20	23

MATERIALS – 4 ply – 50g balls

Quantity	3	4	4	5
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Quantities are approximate as they vary between knitters and yarns used

ACCESSORIES

- 1 pair 3.25mm (UK10) and 2.75mm (UK12) knitting needles or sizes needed to give correct tension and a 2.75mm **circular** knitting for cardigan band
- 4 buttons
- wool needle for sewing

ABBREVIATIONS

k knit, **p** purl, **alt** alternate, **beg** begin or beginning, **cont** continue, **dec** decrease, **fol** following or follows, **inc** increase, **rem** remaining, **rep** repeat, **stocking st** 1 row knit, 1 row purl (knit is right side), **st, sts** stitch or stitches, **tbl** through back of loop(s), **tog** together, **0** zero rows, stitches or times, **cm** centimetre(s), **mm** millimetre(s), **ym** yarn round needle – take yarn right around needle into purling position, making a stitch.

BACK

Using 2.75mm needles cast on 65 (73,81,89) sts.

1st Row: K2, *p1, k1, rep from * to last st, k1.

2nd Row: K1, *p1, k1 rep from * to

end. Last 2 rows form rib.

Work a further 4 rows rib.

Change to 3.25mm needles and work in stocking st until Back measures 25 (28,31,35)cm from beg, ending with a purl row.

Cast off.

Tie coloured threads either side of centre 29 (31,33,35) sts along cast off edge to mark back neck.

LEFT FRONT

Using 2.75mm needles, cast on 30 (34,38,42) sts.

1st Row: K2, *p1, k1, rep from * to end,

2nd Row: *p1, k1, rep from * to end. Last 2 rows form rib.

Work further 4 rows in rib.

Change to 3.25mm needles.

Work in stocking st until Left Front measures 14 (16,18,21)cm from beg, ending with a purl row.

Shape Front Slope

Dec one st at end of next row, then in every foll alt row 7(7,8,8) times, then in every foll 4th row until 18(21,24,27) sts rem.

Cont without further shaping until Left Front measures same as Back to cast-off edge, ending with a purl row,

Cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

Using 2.75mm needles, cast on 30 (34,38,42) sts.

1st Row: *k1, p1, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

2nd Row: *k1, p1, rep from * to end. Last 2 rows form rib.

Work a further 4 rows rib.

Change to 3.25mm needles.

Work in stocking st until Right Front measures same as Left Front to beg of front slope shaping, ending with a purl row.

Shape Front Slope

Dec one st at beg of next row, then in every foll alt row 7 (7,8,8) times, then in every foll 4th row until 18 (21,24,27) sts rem.

Cont without further shaping until Right Front measures same as Back to cast-off edge, working last row on wrong side.

Cast off.

SLEEVES

Using 2.75mm needles, cast on 43 (45,47,49) sts. Work 6 rows of rib as for Back.

Change to 3.25mm needles. Work 4 rows in stocking st.

Inc one st at each end of next row, then in every foll 4th row until there are 61 (67,73,79) sts.

Cont without further shaping until sleeve measures 14 (17,20, 23) cm from beg, working last row on wrong side.

Cast off.

FRONT BANDS

Join shoulder seams.

With right side facing and using 2.75mm circular needle, knit up 44 (50,56,62) sts evenly along right front edge to beg of front slope shaping, knit up 38 (41,44, 47) sts evenly along right front slope to shoulder, knit up 29 (31,33,35) sts across marked back neck sts, knit up 38 (41,44,47) sts evenly along left front slope to beg of front slope shaping, then knit up 44 (50,56,62) sts evenly along left front edge ... 193 (213,233,253) sts.

NOTE

A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work backwards and forwards in rows.

Work 2 rows rib as for lower band of Back, beg with a 2nd row.

3rd Row: (wrong side) – Rib to last 43 (49,55,61) sts, rib 2 tog, yrn (to make a buttonhole), *rib 11 (13,15,17), rib 2tog, yrn, rep from * to last 2 sts, rib 2 ... 4 buttonholes. Work a further 3 rows rib.

Cast off loosely in rib (on wrong side).

TO MAKE UP

DO NOT PRESS. Tie a coloured thread 11 (12,13,14) cm down from each shoulder seam on Back and Fronts. Placing centre of sleeve to shoulder seam, sew in sleeves evenly between coloured threads. Join side and sleeve seams.