

## Baby Cardigan and Hat Set



### Materials:

Size 9 knitting needles: 29" circular used for cardigan button band, double-pointed and 16" circulars used for hat.  
 Approximately 400 yards of worsted weight (#4) for cardigan and hat (approx. 75 for hat alone)  
 5/8" buttons (4)  
 Sewing thread and needle  
 Tapestry Needle  
 Stitch holders or lengths of contrasting yarn for separating front and back sections.

**Finished Size:** 21" chest for cardigan, 17" for circumference of hat.

When made with worsted weight yarn, this set will fit a baby/child from about 3 mos to 12 mos. Use lighter weight yarn and needle size stated on band for smaller sizes.

### Gauge:

18 sts = 4", 24 rows = 4" using size 9 needles and #4 yarn over stockinette (k rs row, p ws row)

### Abbreviations:

BO = bind off  
 CO = cast on  
 K = Knit  
 K2tog = K 2 stitches together (decrease)  
 P = Purl  
 PM = place marker  
 Rem = remaining  
 Rep = repeat  
 SSK = slip, slip, knit together (decrease)  
 Sts = stitches



### Cardigan lower body

Starting at lower edge of body, CO 80 sts.

Rows 1-6: Work in K1, P1 rib.

Row 7 Set up Row (RS): Knit across row, increasing 9 sts evenly spaced.

Row 8 (PATT ROW 1): Knit (knitting on WS makes a ridge on RS). (89 sts)

Row 9 (PATT ROW 2): Knit.

Row 10 (PATT ROW 3): \*K1, P3; rep from \* to last st, K1.

Row 11 (PATT ROW 4): Knit.

Rows 12-46: Rep the last 4 rows 8 times, then work Rows 8-10 once more. (In worsted with size 9 needles, it should measure about 6" from CO edge.)

K22 and place on holder for Right Front, K45 and place on holder for Back, K22 for Left Front.

**Left front**

Row 1 (WS): Knit. (22 sts)

Row 2 (Decrease at Neck Edge): K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1. (21 sts)

Row 3-4: Rep Rows 1-2. (20 sts)

Row 5: Purl.

Row 6: Rep Row 2. (19 sts)

Rows 7-12: Rep last 2 rows 3 times. (16 sts)

Rows 13-16: Rep Rows 1-2 twice. (14 sts)

Rows 17: Purl.

Row 18: Rep Row 2. (13 sts)

Row 19-24: Work in Stockinette Stitch (K on RS, P on WS) without further decreasing. (13 sts)

Row 25-28: Work in Garter Stitch (K each row).

Row 29 on: Continue in Stockinette for another 3-4 rows, ending at armhole edge.

Next Row: BO 1st 7 sts, work rest of row in Stockinette.

Next Row: BO rem 6 sts. Cut yarn.

**Right front**

Slip 22 sts from holder onto needle to work on WS.

Row 1 (WS): Knit. (22 sts)

Row 2 (Decrease at Neck Edge): K1, SSK, Knit to end of row. (21 sts)

Row 3-4: Rep Rows 1-2. (20 sts)

Row 5: Purl.

Row 6: Rep Row 2. (19 sts)

Rows 7-12: Repeat last 2 rows 3 times. (16 sts)

Rows 13-16: Repeat Rows 1-2 twice. (14 sts)

Rows 17-18: Rep Rows 5-6. (13 sts)

Row 19-24: Work in Stockinette Stitch (K on RS, P on WS) without further decreasing. (13 sts)

Row 25-28: Work in Garter Stitch (K each row).

Row 29 on: Continue in Stockinette for another 3-4 rows, ending at armhole edge.

Next Row: BO 1st 7 sts, work rest of row in Stockinette.

Next Row: BO off rem 6 sts. Cut yarn.

**Back**

Slip 45 sts from holder onto needle to work on WS.

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2-4: Knit.

Rows 5-12: Work in Stockinette Stitch.

Rows 13-16: Knit.

Rows 17-24: Work in Stockinette Stitch.

Rows 25-28: Work in Garter Stitch (Knit each row).

Row 29 on: Continue in Stockinette for another 4 rows.

Next Row: BO 1st 7 st, work rest of row in Stockinette. Next Row: BO 1st 7sts, work rest of row in Stockinette. Next Row: BO rem 31 sts. Cut yarn.

Sew fronts to back at shoulder seams.

## Sleeves

Sleeves are worked in the round, decreasing 2 sts every 6th rnd.

Rnd 1 (RS): Starting at underarm on RS, use double-pointed needles to pick up and knit 44 sts around armhole edge. Place marker for Rnd separator.

Rnd 2: Purl. Rnd 3: Knit.

Rnd 4: \*P1, K3; rep from \*.

Decrease Rnd 5: K2tog, K to last 2 sts, K2tog. (42 sts)

Rnd 6: Purl. Rnd 7: Knit.

Rnd 8: \*K3, P1; rep from \* to last 2 sts, K2.

Rnd 9: Knit. Rnd 10: Purl.

Rnd 11: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (40 sts)

Rnd 12: K2, \*P1, K3; rep from \* to last 2 sts, P1, K1.

Rnd 13: Knit. Rnd 14: Purl. Rnd 15: Knit.

Rnd 16: Rep Rnd 12.

Rnd 17: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (38 sts)

Rnd 18: Purl. Rnd 19: Knit.

Rnd 20: K1, \*P1, K3; rep from \*, P1.

Rnd 21: Knit. Rnd 22: Purl.

Rnd 23: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (36 sts)

Rnd 24: \*P1, K3; rep from \*.

Rnd 25: Knit. Rnd 26: Purl. Rnd 27: Knit.

Rnd 28: Rep Rnd 24.

Rnd 29: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (34 sts)

Rnd 30: Purl. Rnd 31: Knit.

Rnd 32: \*K3, P1; rep from \* to last 2 sts, K2.

Rnd 33: Knit. Rnd 34: Purl.

Rnd 35: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (32 sts)

Rnd 36: K2, \*P1, K3; rep from \* to last 2 sts, P1, K1.

Rnd 37: Knit. Rnd 38: Purl. Rnd 39: Knit.

Rnd 40: Rep Rnd 36.

Rnd 41: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (30 sts)

Rnd 42: Purl. Rnd 43: Knit.

Rnd 44: K1, \*P1, K3; rep from \* to last st, P1.

Rnd 45: Knit. Rnd 46: Purl.

Rnd 47: Rep Decrease Rnd 5. (28 sts)

Rnd 48: \*P1, K3; rep from \*.

Rnd 49: Knit. Rnd 50: Purl.

Work K1, P1 rib for 6 rows. BO. Cut yarn. Repeat for other sleeve.

**Button band**

(RS): Using 29” size 9 circular needles with RS facing, start at lower right corner and pick up and knit: 30 sts up the right front to where neck shaping begins, 21 sts up to right shoulder seam, 23 sts across back of neck, 21 sts from left shoulder seam down to where neck shaping ends, 30 sts down left front (total 125 sts)

Remember that buttons go on the left for girls and the right for boys.

Row 1: \*P1, K1; rep from \* to last st, P1.

Row 2: \*K1, P1; rep from \* to last st, K1.

Row 3: Place markers at desired buttonhole locations. Work as established in rib; at each buttonhole: K1, slip st from RH to LH needle, K2tog.

Row 4: Work in rib as established, at each buttonhole cast on 1 st.

Row 5: Work in rib as established.

Row 6 Bind Off Row (RS): K2tog through back loops, \*slip st from RH to LH needle, K2tog through back loops; rep from \* around band. Fasten off.

**Hat**

Using 16” size 9 needles, CO 72 sts, PM and join to work in the round. Work in K1, P1 rib for 6 rounds.

Rnd 7: Knit around, increasing 8 sts evenly spaced. (80 sts)

Rnd 8: Purl.

Rnd 9: Knit.

Rnd 10: Purl.

Rnds 11-17: Knit.

Rnds 18-31: Repeat Rnds 8-17 once, then Rnds 8-11.

Rnd 32: \*K2tog, K2; rep from \*. (60 sts)

Rnds 33-35: Knit.

Rnd 36: \*K2tog, K1; rep from \*. (40 sts)

Rnds 37-39: Knit.

Rnd 40: \*K2tog; rep from \*. (20 sts)

Rnds 41-43: Knit.

Rnd 44: \*K2tog; rep from \*. (10 sts)

Cut yarn and thread through remaining 10 sts twice. Pull tight.

**Finishing**

Weave in ends. Sew on buttons opposite button holes.