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WELLINGTON HOSPITALS FOUNDATION FAVOURITE- V NECK CARDIGAN



2-3 50g 4ply balls in 100% Merino Wool (Newborn Size)

2.75mm and 3.25mm Needles

This cardigan has the fronts and back knitted together to the underarm, then divided so there is less sewing up.

To give a neat edge to garter stitch borders, always slip the first stitch knitwise.

BODY

Cast on 133 stitches using 2.75mm

Row 1. S1, knit

Row 2-4. S1, knit

Row 5. (Buttonhole row) on right front. S1, k2, yf, k2 tog, knit to end

Row 6-8 S1 knit

Change to 3.25mm needles

Row 9. Knit

Row 10. K6, purl to last 6 sts, knit

Row 11. Knit

Row 12. K6, purl to last 6 sts, knit

Row 13. Knit

Row 14. Knit

Row 15. Knit

Row 16. Knit

These rows form the pattern.

Continue buttonholes on right side front border.

The spacing is 9 garter st ridges or 17 rows between buttonholes between the 1st and 2nd buttonhole.

Then 8 ridges between the following buttonholes. You will see the button hole is between the 2 garter stitch rows of the pattern.

Continue until measures 13cm, ending with a wrong side row.

Separation of fronts and back.

RIGHT FRONT

Row 1. K6, s1, k1 psso, k27 put these stitches on a safety pin. Don't break yarn. (This is the dec for the v neck shaping on right side).

Continue to knit 63 stitches from left hand needle and turn. (This is the back)

Place the last 35 stitches onto another safety pin or holding thread (this is the left front)

BACK

Continue in pattern till back measures 23cm ending in wrong side row.

Shape shoulders.

Cast off 7 stitches at beginning of next 4 rows, then 8 stitches at beginning of next 2 rows.

Cast off remaining 19 stitches.

RIGHT FRONT CONTINUED

Rejoin yarn at armhole edge.

Keeping pattern correct, continue to Dec 1 st at front edge inside garter stitch band on every following 4th row, until 28 sts remain.

Work straight in pattern till front measures 23cm ending with right side row.

SHAPE SHOULDER

On armhole edge cast off 7 sts at beginning of row, knit.

Next row. Knit.

Next row. Cast off 7 sts at beginning of row, knit.

Next row. Cast off 8 sts, this leaves 6 sts.

Continue in garter stitch on remaining 6 sts until band fits halfway across back neck (approx. 15 rows)

Cast off.

LEFT FRONT

Transfer sts to needle, rejoin yarn at armhole edge.

Row 1. Knit till last 8 sts. K2 tog, K6.

Keeping pattern correct continue to Dec 1 st at front edge inside garter stitch border on every 4th row until 28 sts remain.

Work straight in pattern till front measures same as back 23 cm, ending with a wrong side row.

SHAPE SHOULDER

Cast off 7 sts at beginning of next and following alternate row.

Work 1 row.

Cast off 8 sts at beginning of next row, 6 sts remain.

Continue on these until band fits halfway across back neck. Approx 7 garter sts ridges 15 rows.

Cast off.

SLEEVES. WORK 2.

Using 2.75 needles.

Cast on 39 stitches and work 8 rows of garter stitch.

Change to 3.25 needles.

Work 4 rows of pattern and keeping pattern correct

Inc 1st each end of next and following 3rd row till 57 sts.

Work straight in pattern till sleeve measures 13cm ending with wrong side row.

Cast off.

Sew up shoulder seams and neckband to back neck.

Sew sleeves into armholes using mattress st, and sleeve seams.

Sew on buttons.

Thank you for knitting this cardigan for our babies.