

PATTERN COLLECTION: CHILDREN



Big Heart Dress

Designed by Universal Yarn Design Team

SIZES

2 (4, 6, 8) year Shown in 4 year size.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Length: 18 (194, 204, 224)" Chest: 22 (23, 24½, 26)"

MATERIALS

Universal Yarn Bamboo Pop (50% cotton, 50% rayon from bamboo; 100g/292 yds)

- 103 Strawberry (MC) 2 (2, 2, 3) balls
- 208 Pink Joy (CC) 2 (2, 2, 3) balls

Needles: US Size 6 (4 mm) straight needles & 16" circular (for neck edging) or size needed to obtain gauge **Notions:** Tapestry needle, stitch holder

GAUGE

20 sts x 26 rows = 4" in St st Save time, check your gauge.

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STITCH GUIDE

Stripe Sequence

Rows 1-8: With CC, work in St st. Rows 9-12: With MC, work in St st. Rep Rows 1-12 for Stripe Sequence.

BACK

With MC, cast on 152 (156, 164, 172) sts.

Ruffle

Knit 4 rows.

Next row (RS): Knit.

Next row: Purl. Cont in St st for 9 more

rows.

Dec row: With MC, p2tog across row –

76 (78, 82, 86) sts rem.

Main Dress

Row 1 (RS): With MC, knit. Cont in Stripe Sequence for 3 more rows. (Work in Stripe Sequence throughout remainder of Back.)

Dec row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 2 sts dec'd. Rep Dec row every 6 (6, 8, 8) rows, 9 (9, 9, 9) more times – 56 (58, 62, 66) sts rem.

Work even, if necessary, until Back meas 13 (14, 15, 16)" from bottom of Ruffle, ending with WS row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows – 52 (54, 58, 62) sts rem.

Dec row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 - 2 sts dec'd.

Next row: Purl.

Rep last 2 rows, 2 more times – 46 (48, 52, 56) sts rem. Work even in patt until

Armholes meas 4 (4%, 4%, 5%)", ending with WS row.

Shape Neck

Next row (RS): K13 (13, 14, 15), ssk, k1, attach new ball of yarn and bind off center 14 (16, 18, 20) sts, k1, k2tog, knit to end – 15 (15, 16, 17) sts rem for each shoulder. Place Left Shoulder sts on holder.

Right Shoulder

Dec row (WS): Purl to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1 – 1 st dec'd.

Dec row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to end -1 st dec'd.

Work 3 more Dec rows – 10 (10, 11, 12) sts rem. Bind off all sts.

Left Shoulder

Attach yarn at Neck edge.

Dec row (WS): P1, ssp, purl to end – 1 st dec'd.

Dec row (RS): Knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 1 st dec'd.

Work 3 more Dec rows – 10 (10, 11, 12) sts rem. Bind off all sts.

FRONT

Work as for Back through Armhole Shaping. Work even in patt until Armholes meas 2¾ (2¾, 3, 3¼)", ending with WS row.

Shape Neck

Next row (RS): K16 (17, 18, 20), attach new ball of yarn and bind off center 14 (14, 16, 16) sts, knit to end. Place Left Shoulder sts on holder.

Right Shoulder

Purl a WS row.

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Dec row: Knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 - 1 st dec'd. Purl a WS row. Rep these 2 rows, 5 (6, 6, 7) more times – 10 (10, 11, 12) sts rem. Work even, if necessary, until Armhole meas 5 (5%, 5¾, 6½)", ending with WS row. Bind off all sts.

Left Shoulder

Purl a WS row.

Dec row: K1, k2tog, knit to end – 1 st dec'd. Purl a WS row. Rep these 2 rows, 5 (6, 6, 7) more times – 10 (10, 11, 12) sts rem. Work even, if necessary, until Armhole meas 5 (5¼, 5¾, 6¼)", ending with WS row. Bind off all sts.

SLEEVES

With MC, cast on 38 (40, 42, 44) sts.

Cuff

Row 1 (RS): [K2, p2] to last 2 (0, 2, 0) sts, k2.

Row 2: P2 (0, 2, 0), [k2, p2] to end. Rep Rows 1-2, 3 more times.

Main Sleeve

Switch to CC. Work in Stripe Sequence throughout remainder of Sleeve. Work 4 Rows in Stripe Sequence.

Inc row (RS): K1, m1, knit to last st, m1, k1 – 2 sts inc'd. Rep Inc row every 14 (12, 12, 12) rows, 3 (4, 4, 5) more times – 46 (50, 52, 56) sts. Work even until Sleeve meas 9½ (10½, 12, 13)", ending with WS row.

Shape Cap

Bind off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows – 42 (46, 48, 52) sts rem.

RS Dec row: K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 2 sts dec'd. Purl a WS row. Rep these 2 rows, 9 (9, 11, 13) more times.

Next row: Rep RS Dec row.

WS Dec row: P1, p2tog, purl to last 3 sts, ssp, p1 – 2 sts dec'd. Cont to work a Dec row every row until 10 sts rem. Bind off rem sts.

FINISHING

Sew Right Shoulder seam.

Neck Edging

With RS facing, MC, beg at Left Front neck edge, pick up and knit 12 (13, 15, 18) sts down Left Front neck, 14 (14, 16, 16) sts across Front neck, 12 (13, 15, 18) sts up Right Front neck, and 26 (28, 30, 32) sts along Back neck edge – 64 (68, 76, 84) sts.

Row 1: [K2, p2] to end. Rep this row, 2 more times. Bind off all sts, knitwise.

Sew Left Shoulder Seam. Sew Sleeve Caps into Armholes. Sew Sleeve and side seams.

Heart Applique

With MC, cast on 2 sts.

Increase Section

Row 1: [Kfb] twice – 4 sts.

WS rows 2-34: Purl.

Row 3: K1, m1, knit to last st, m1, k1 – 2 sts inc'd.

RS rows 5-33: Rep Row 3 – 36 sts. **Rows 35-38:** Work even in St st.

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Shape Top of Heart

Dec row (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to last 3

sts, ssk, k1 - 2 sts dec'd.

Next row: Purl.

Rep these 2 rows, 1 more times – 32 sts rem.

Separate Sides

Row 1 (RS): K1, k2tog, k10, ssk, k1, place rem 16 sts on holder, 14 sts rem for Right Side.

Row 2: P1, ssp, purl to end – 13 sts rem.

Row 3: K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 11 sts rem.

Row 4: Rep Row 2 - 10 sts rem.

Row 5: Rep Row 3 - 8 sts rem.

Row 6: Rep Row 2 - 7 sts rem.

Row 7: Rep Row 3 - 5 sts rem.

Row 8: Rep Row 2-4 sts rem.

Row 9: Rep Row 3 - 2 sts rem.

Bind off rem sts.

Return held sts to ndl.

Row 1 (RS): K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 14 sts rem.

Row 2: Purl to last 3 sts, p2tog, p1 - 13 sts rem.

Rows 3-9: Rep Rows 1-2, 3 more times, then rep Row 1, 1 more time. Bind off rem 2 sts.

Position Heart on Front of Dress, centered, with top of Heart about 2" below Neck. Sew in place.
Weave in ends and block.

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