

# Cotton 4ply Baby Bloomers

Layering is made that little bit easier with these bloomers, made up in our 100% cotton 4ply. These are soft and stretchy pieces, perfect for wearing over leggings and underneath dresses to keep little ones warm! Our cotton is so easy to care for and pairs well with everything! Our model wears the 1-3 months size.

## **MEASUREMENTS**

		1-3	3-6	6-12	18
		Months	Months	Months	Months
Waist Measures	cm	17	18	19	20
Length Measures	cm	16	18	20	22
Yarn Required: Cotton 4ply	100g balls	1	1	1	1

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

# ITEM A: Baby Bloomers



## DIFFICULTY • • •

# **KNITTING NEEDLES & EQUIPMENT:**

A 3.25mm pair of needles.

A 3.00mm pair of needles.

A set of 3.00mm double pointed needles.

Wool needle for sewing in ends.

## **TENSION** (STOCKING):

28 sts and 36 rows to 10cm over stocking stitch, using 3.25mm needles.

## **KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS:**

K: Knit

**K2tog:** Knit 2 Together

**Kfb:** K1 into the fr of the next stitch on the needle but do not slide

the stitch off, K1 into the bk of the same stitch on the needle

and slide the stitch off the needle

Purl

P2tog: Purl 2 Together Y0: Yarn over

## **NEWBORN BLOOMERS**

**NOTE:** This pattern is written for our 1-3 months size, all stitch counts and references for other sizes are written in brackets for easy reference. They are as follows, 1-3 months (**3-6 months** - 6-12 months - **18 months**)

## **BACK**

## **Casting On:**

Using 3.00mm needles and using a long tail cast on, cast on 48 (52 - 56 - 60) sts.

Row 1: \*K2, P2, repeat from \* to end of row

Row 1 forms a 2 x 2 rib pattern. Work in 2 x 2 rib until piece measures 3cm from the beginning ending with a WS row.

## 1-3 months only:

Next Row: \*K2, P2, K2, P2tog, Y0, K2, P2, repeat from \* to end of row ... 4 holes made

# 3-6 months only:

Next Row: \*K2, P2, K2, P2tog, Y0, repeat from \* to last 4 sts, K2, P2 ... 6 holes made

# 6-12 months only:

**Next Row:** \*K2, P2, K2, P2tog, Y0, K2, P2, K2tog, Y0, P2, repeat from \* to last 6 sts, K2, P2, K2 ... 6 holes made

## 18 months only:

**Next Row:** \*K2, P2, K2tog, Y0, P2, K2, P2tog, Y0, K2, P2, K2tog, Y0, P2, K2, P2, repeat from \* to last 12 sts, K2tog, Y0, P2, K2, P2tog, Y0, K2, P2, K2 ... 8 holes made

# All Sizes:

Continue to work in 2 x 2 rib, until piece measures 5cm from the beginning ending with a WS row.

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#### **Main Panel:**

Change to working with 3.25mm needles in stocking stitch until piece measures 9.5 (11 - 13 - 15) cm from the beginning, ending with a WS row. Taking note of how many rows this is.

## Leg Shaping:

Cast off 3 sts at the beginning of the next row and every row following until there are 24 (28 - 32 - 36) sts remaining.

Cast off 2 sts at the beginning of the next two rows, 2 (2 - 3 - 4) times ... 16 (20 - 20 - 20) sts

Work straight without further shaping until piece measures 4cm from the last set of sts cast off.

Beginning to increase for the leg shaping on the other side, cast on 2 sts at the beginning of the next two rows, 2 (2 - 3 - 4) times ... 24 (28 - 32 - 36) sts

Cast on 3 sts at the beginning of the next row and every row following until there are 48 (52 - 56 - 60) sts.

## **Front of Bloomers:**

Continuing to work in stocking st without further shaping until the front panel measures the same as the back. Working the same number of rows, ending with a WS row.

## **Ribbing:**

Return to working with 3.00mm needles and begin working in 2 x 2 rib as for the back until ribbing measures 2cm from the beginning.

Work the i-cord holes, using the same row as for the back of the bloomers.

Return to working in  $2 \times 2$  rib until ribbing measures 5cm in total from the beginning, cast off in rib.

## **LEG BANDS**

With RS facing of the bloomers, using 3.00mm needles to pick up and knit 40 (44 - 48 - 48) sts along crotch and leg line, working from edge to edge.

Begin working in 2 x 2 rib, for 2cm and cast off loosely in rib.

# **I-CORD TIE:**

To begin your i-cord, cast 4 stitches onto one of your double-pointed needles, if an i-cord tie is desired.

Knit these 4 stitches normally, from the left needle to the right. Now the yarn is at the left hand side of the work and all 4 stitches are on the right hand needle. Slide the stitches from one end of the needle to the other

Now place the needle in your left hand without turning your work. Pull the yarn so that there is no slack and knit the 4 stitches.

Repeat these steps, gently pulling on the piece to form the cord. Bind off normally.

## **FINISHING**

Fold bloomers in half at the crotch, with right sides facing together. Using

a wool needle and length of yarn, mattress stitch st the side seams of the bloomers together, moving from the leg to the waist.

Weave in all ends, turn RS out and stretch gently into shape.

Thread i-cord through the eyelets in the bloomers, starting at the hole to the right of the centre front and threading in and out to the side seam, around and across the back and back to the centre front. Tie in a bow.

ITEM B: Flatlay of Baby Bloomers

