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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\text { }}$ Baby Hugs ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Light: $2(2,2,3)$ balls 3001 Frosting

Susan Bates ${ }^{\text {® }}$ Knitting Needles: 4 mm [US 6]

Two stitch holders, five stitch markers, five $3 / 4$ " $[19 \mathrm{~mm}]$ buttons, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 20 sts $=4^{\prime \prime}[10 \mathrm{~cm}] ;$ 40 rows $=4^{\prime \prime}[10 \mathrm{~cm}]$, in Garter stitch (knit every row). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge. Hugs ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Light, Art E403 Oeko-Tex Certified $100 \%$ Acrylic baby yarn available in $4.5 \mathrm{oz}(127 \mathrm{~g})$ 318 yds ( 290 m ) balls


## Year-Round Baby Cardigan

Knit a classic cardigan sweater for the new arrival in this lightweight yarn that is a quality choice for precious babies. Baby Hugs yarn has been tested and certified free from harmful levels of over 300 substances.

## Directions are for size 6 months.

 Changes for sizes 12 months, 18 months and 24 months are in parentheses.Finished Chest: $20(22,24,26)$ " $[51(56$, $61,66) \mathrm{cm}$ ]
Finished Length: $10(111 / 2,14,161 / 2)^{\prime \prime}[25.5$ $(29,35.5,42) \mathrm{cm}]$

## Notes

1. Body is worked in one piece from lower edge to underarms. Piece is then divided and fronts and back worked separately to shoulders.
2. Stitches for sleeves are picked up along armhole edges of upper body then sleeves are knit down to cuffs.
3. If preferred, use a circular needle. Work back and forth on circular needle as if working with straight needles. A circular needle may be particularly helpful when knitting the sleeves.
4. Pockets are worked separately and sewn to Cardigan.

## Special Stitch

kfb (Knit into front and back) = Knit next stitch but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same stitch and remove from needle.

## Pattern Stitch

## 1x1 Rib (over odd number of sts)

Row 1 (right side): K1, *p1, k1; repeat
from * to end of row.
Row 2: Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts to end of row.
Repeat Row 2 for 1x1 Rib.

## BODY

Cast on 99 (109, 119, 129) sts Work in $1 \times 1$ Rib until piece measures about $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}[1.5 \mathrm{~cm}]$ from beginning. Next Row (increase): K49 (54, 59, 64), kfb, knit to end of row-100 (110, 120, 130) sts.

Work in Garter st (knit every row) until piece measures about $6(7,9,11) "[15(18$, $23,28) \mathrm{cm}$ from beginning.

Dividing Row (right side): K20 (22, 25, 27) and place these sts on a holder for right front, bind off 10 sts for underarm, knit until you have $40(46,50,56)$ sts on right needle then place these sts on a holder for back, bind off 10 sts for underarm, knit to end of row for left front-20 $(22,25,27)$ sts remain on needle for left front.

## Left Front

Work over $20(22,25,27)$ left front sts only.
Work in Garter st until left front measures about $2(21 / 2,3,31 / 2)^{\prime \prime}[5(6.5$, $7.5,9) \mathrm{cm}$ from dividing row, end with a right side row.

## Shape Left Neck

Row 1 (wrong side): Bind off 4 sts, knit to end of row-16 (18, 21, 23) sts.
Row 2: Knit.
Row 3: Bind off 2 sts, knit to end of row-14 (16, 19, 21) sts.
Rows 4-7: Repeat Rows 2 and 3
twice-10 (12, 15, 17) sts in Row 7. Work even in Garter st until left front measures about $4\left(41 / 2.5,5 \frac{1}{2}\right)$ " $[10(11.5$, $12.5,14) \mathrm{cm}$ ] from dividing row. Bind off.
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## Back

Return the $40(46,50,56)$ back sts to needles and join yarn, ready to work a wrong side row.
Work even in Garter st until back measures same as left front. Bind off.

## Right Front

Return $20(22,25,27)$ right front sts to needles and join yarn, ready to work a wrong side row.
Work in Garter st until right front measures same as left front to neck, end with a wrong side row.

## Shape Right Neck

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 4 sts, knit to end of row-16 (18, 21, 23) sts.

## Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: Bind off 2 sts, knit to end of row-14 (16, 19, 21) sts.
Rows 4-7: Repeat Rows 2 and 3 twice-10 (12, 15, 17) sts in Row 7. Work even in Garter st until right front measures same as back. Bind off.

Sew shoulder seams.

## SLEEVES (work 2)

Note: Pick up stitches along armhole edges of front and back only. Leave the bound-off underarm sts unworked. Row 1 (right side): With right side facing, pick up and k41 $(45,51,55)$ sts evenly spaced along armhole edges between lower back and lower front corners of armhole, leaving bound-off underarm sts unworked.
Work in Garter st for 7 rows

Decrease Row: K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts,
k2tog, k1-39 (43, 49, 53) sts.
Repeat last 8 rows $4(6,9,11$ ) more
times-31 sts.
Work even in Garter st until piece measures about $51 / 2(7,81 / 2,10)$ " 14 ( 18 ,
$21.5,25.5) \mathrm{cm}]$
Work in $1 \times 1$ Rib for about $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}[1.5 \mathrm{~cm}]$. Bind off.
Repeat along other armhole edges for 2nd sleeve.

## POCKETS (make 2)

Cast on 15 ( $15,17,17$ ) sts.
Work in Garter st for 30 rows Bind off.

## FINISHING <br> \section*{Neck Edging}

With right side facing, pick up and k55 sts evenly spaced around neck edge. Work in 1x1 Rib for about $3 / 4$ " [2 cm]. Bind off.
Place five stitch markers along right front edge if you are making the cardigan for a boy and along left front edge if you are making the cardigan for a girl. Place first marker about $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ [ 13 mm ] below neck edge. Place fifth marker about $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ [13 mm] above lower edge. Space remaining 3 stitch markers evenly between the first and fifth. Front Band
With right side facing, pick up and k49 (57, 73, 81) sts evenly spaced along unmarked front edge.
Work in $1 \times 1$ Rib for about $3 / 4$ " [2 cm]. Bind off.

## Button Band

With right side facing, pick up and k49 (57, 73, 81) sts evenly spaced along marked front edge.
Work in $1 \times 1$ Rib for 2 rows
Buttonhole Row: [Work in 1x1 Rib to marker, yarn over, k2tog (buttonhole made)] 5 times, work in 1x1 Rib to end of row.
Work in $1 \times 1$ Rib until ribbing measures about $3 / 4^{\prime \prime}[2 \mathrm{~cm}]$. Bind off.
Sew buttons to front band, opposite buttonholes.
Sew side edges of top of sleeves to
bound-off underarm stitches then sew sleeve seams.
Sew pockets to fronts, about 2 or 3 rows above lower ribbing and 2 or 3 stitches from front ribbing.
Weave in ends.


## ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit; k2tog = knit next 2 sts together; p = purl; st(s) = stitch(es; ${ }^{*}=$ repeat whatever follows the * as indicated. See next page for schematic...

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