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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\circ}$ Baby Hugs ${ }^{\text {" }}$
Medium: $3(3,4,4)$ balls 4410 Dolphin

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circ}$ Knitting Needles: 5 mm [US 8] straight needles and 5 mm [US 8] $16 "[40 \mathrm{~cm}$ ] circular needle

Cable needle, stitch markers, two stitch holders, yarn needle

GAUGE: $16 \frac{1}{2}$ sts $=4^{\prime \prime}[10 \mathrm{~cm}] ; 24$ rows $=4^{\prime \prime}[10 \mathrm{~cm}]$, in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

RED HEART ${ }^{\circ}$ Baby Hugs'" Medium, Art E404 Oeko-Tex Certified $100 \%$ Acrylic baby yarn available in $4.5 \mathrm{oz}(127 \mathrm{~g}) 247 \mathrm{yds}$ ( 225 m ) balls


## Cable Sweater Dress

This is the perfect style for a busy child's life that has dress up or casual days. It is knit with an easy cable yoke in extra-soft yarn.

## Directions are for size 2 years. Changes for sizes 4 years, 6 years and 8 years are in parentheses.

Finished Chest: $23(26,28,29)$ " $[58.5(66,71$, 73.5) cm]

Finished Length: $20(22,231 / 2,253 / 4)$ " [51 (56, $59.5,65.5) \mathrm{cm}$ ]

## Special Stitches

2/2 LC ( $\mathbf{2}$ over 2 Left Cross) = Slip next 2 stitches to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.
M1L (Make 1 Left Increase) = Insert left needle from front to back under strand between needles, knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole. M1R (Make 1 Right Increase) = Insert left needle from back to front under strand between needles, knit strand through the front loop, twisting it to prevent a hole. ssk (slip, slip, knit) = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time, as if to knit to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of stitches, knit these sts together through back loop - 1 st decreased.

## Notes

1. Dress is worked in four pieces: Back, front, and two sleeves.
2. Each piece is worked from the lower edge upwards.

## BACK

With straight needles, cast on 72 $(80,86,92)$ sts.

## Skirt

Work in Garter st (knit every row) for 7 rows Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) for $2(4,4,4)$ rows.
Decrease Row (right side): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—70 $(78,84,90)$ sts.

Work even in Stockinette st for 5 rows. Repeat Decrease Row-68 $(76,82,88)$ sts. Repeat last 6 rows $7(8,8,9)$ more times- 54 $(60,66,70)$ sts.
Work even in Stockinette st for 3 rows.
Repeat Decrease Row-52 $(58,64,68)$ sts.
Repeat last 4 rows $2(2,3,4)$ more times- 48 $(54,58,60)$ sts.
Work even in Stockinette st until piece measures about $12(13,14,151 / 2)$ " $[30.5$ ( 33 , $35.5,39.5) \mathrm{cm}$ ] from beginning, end with a right side row as the last row you work.

## Bodice

Work in Garter st for 8 rows.
Next Row (wrong side): Purl.

## Begin Cable Pattern

Row 1 (right side): K5 (1, 3, 4), *p1, k1
through back loop, $\mathrm{p} 1, \mathrm{k} 4$; repeat from * to last $8(4,6,7)$ sts, p1, k1 through back loop, p1, k5 (1, 3, 4).
Row 2: P5 (1, 3, 4), *k1, p1 through back loop, $k 1, p 4$; repeat from * to last $8(4,6,7)$ sts, k1, p1 through back loop, k1, p5 ( $1,3,4$ ). Row 3: K5 (1, 3, 4), *p1, k1 through back loop, p1, 2/2 LC; repeat from * to last 8 (4, $6,7)$ sts, p1, k1 through back loop, p1, k5 (1, 3, 4).
Row 4: Repeat Row 2.
Rows 5 and 6: Repeat Rows 1 and 2.
Repeat Rows 1-6 until bodice measures about $31 / 2(33 / 4,4,41 / 4)$ " $[9(9.5,10,11) \mathrm{cm}]$, end with a wrong side row as the last row you work.

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Continue to work Cable pattern as established in Rows 1-6 throughout remainder of piece, lining up the stitches and cables as in previous rows.

## Shape Armholes

Row 1 (right side): Bind off $3(4,4,4)$ sts, work in established pattern to end of row$45(50,54,56)$ sts.
Row 2: Bind off $3(4,4,4)$ sts, work in established pattern to end of row-42 (46, 50, 52) sts.
Row 3 (decrease row): K1, ssk, work in established pattern to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1$40(44,48,50)$ sts.
Row 4: Work even in established pattern.
Repeat last 2 rows $2(3,3,3)$ more times-36 $(38,42,44)$ sts.
Work even in established pattern until armholes measure about $33 / 4(41 / 2,43 / 4,51 / 4$ )" [ $9.5(11.5,12,13.5) \mathrm{cm}$ ], end with a wrong side row as the last row you work.

## Shape Back Neck and Shoulders

Place a marker on each side of center 20 (20, 22, 24) sts.
Row 1 (right side): Bind off 4 sts, work in established pattern to first marker for right shoulder, drop yarn and place center $20(20,22,24)$ sts on a holder for back neck, removing markers; join a 2nd ball of yarn and work in established pattern to end of row for left shoulder-4 $(5,6,6)$ sts right shoulder sts and $8(9,10,10)$ sts left shoulder sts.

Both shoulders are now worked AT THE SAME TIME using separate balls of yarn. Row 2: Bind off 4 sts, work in established pattern to end of left shoulder; bind off first right shoulder st then work in established pattern to end of right shoulder-4 $(5,6,6)$ left shoulder sts and $3(4,5,5)$ right shoulder sts.
Row 3: Bind off rem $3(4,5,5)$ right shoulder sts; bind off first left shoulder st then work in established pattern to end of left shoulder-3 $(4,5,5)$ left shoulder sts.
Row 4: Bind off rem $3(4,5,5)$ left shoulder sts.

## FRONT

Work same as back until armholes measure about $13 / 4\left(21 / 2,2^{33 / 4}, 31 / 4\right)$ " $[4.5(6.5,7,8.5) \mathrm{cm}]$ and armhole shaping is complete, end with a wrong side row as the last row you work$36(38,42,44)$ sts.

## Shape Front Neck

Place a marker on each side of center 10 (10, 12, 14) sts.
Row 1 (right side): Work in established pattern to first marker for left shoulder, drop yarn and place next $10(10,12,14)$ sts on holder for front neck, removing markers; join a 2nd ball of yarn and work in established pattern to end of row for right shoulder-13 $(14,15,15)$ sts for each shoulder.
Row 2: Work in established pattern over right shoulder sts, then work in established pattern over left shoulder sts.

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Row 3 (decrease row): Work in established pattern to last 3 sts of left shoulder, k2tog, k1; working over right shoulder sts, k1, ssk, work in established pattern to end of right shoulder- $12(13,14,14)$ sts for each shoulder.
Repeat last 2 rows 4 more times- $8(9,10$,
10) sts for each shoulder.

Next Row (wrong side): Work in established pattern over right shoulder sts, then work in established pattern over left shoulder sts.

## Shape Shoulders

Next Row (right side): Bind off 4 sts, work in established pattern to last 3 sts of left shoulder, k2tog, k1; working over right shoulder sts, k1, ssk, work in established pattern to end of right shoulder-3 $(4,5,5)$ left shoulder sts and $7(8,9,9)$ right shoulder sts.
Next Row: Bind off 4 sts, work in established pattern to end of right shoulder; work in established pattern to end of left shoulder-3 $(4,5,5)$ sts for each shoulder. Next Row: Bind off rem $3(4,5,5)$ left shoulder sts; work in established pattern to end of right shoulder.
Next Row: Bind off rem $3(4,5,5)$ right shoulder sts.

## SLEEVES (make 2)

With straight needles, cast on 28
$(28,36,40)$ sts.
Work in Garter st for 7 rows.
Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work in Stockinette st for 2 rows.

Increase Row (right side): K1, M1L, knit to last st, M1R, k1-30 (30, 38, 42) sts.
Work even in Stockinette st for 5 rows. Repeat Increase Row-32 $(32,40,44)$ sts. Repeat last 6 rows $0(2,1,0)$ more times- 32 $(36,42,44)$ sts.
Work even in Stockinette st for 7 rows.
Repeat Increase Row-34 $(38,44,46)$ sts.
Repeat last 8 rows $3(2,4,5)$ more
times-40 (42, 52, 56) sts.
Work even in Stockinette st until piece measures about $8 \frac{1}{2}\left(101 / 2,111 / 2,12 \frac{1}{2}\right)^{\prime \prime}[21.5$ $(26.5,29,32) \mathrm{cm}]$ from beginning, end with a wrong side row as the last row you work.

## Shape Cap

Row 1 (right side): Bind off $3(4,4,4)$ sts, knit to end of row- $37(38,48,52)$ sts.
Row 2: Bind off $3(4,4,4)$ sts, purl to end of row-34 $(34,44,48)$ sts.
Row 3 (decrease row): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1-32 $(32,42,46)$ sts.
Row 4: Purl.
Repeat last 2 rows $1(3,5,5)$ more
times-30 $(26,32,36)$ sts.
Next Row (decrease row - right side): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1-28 (24, 30, 34) sts.

Next Row (decrease row - wrong side): P1, p2tog, purl to last 3 sts, p2tog through back loops, p1-26 (22, 28, 32) sts.
Repeat last 2 rows $3(2,3,2)$ more times- 14 $(14,16,24)$ sts.
Next Row (decrease row - right side): K1,
ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1-12 (12, 14,
22) sts.

## Next Row: Purl.

Repeat last 2 rows $1(1,0,3)$ more
time(s)-10 ( $10,14,16$ ) sts.
Bind off.

## FINISHING

Wet block bodices to open up cables. Sew shoulder seams.

## Neck Edging

With right side facing and circular needle, beginning at right shoulder seam, pick up and k 2 sts along right back neck edge, knit the $20(20,22,24)$ back neck sts from holder, pick up and $k 2$ sts along left back neck edge, pick up and k11 $(12,13,14)$ sts along left front neck edge, knit the $10(10,12,14)$ front neck sts from holder, pick up and
k11 $(12,13,14)$ sts along right front neck edge-56 $(58,64,70)$ sts. Place marker for beginning of round and prepare to work in rounds.
Beginning with a purl round, work in Garter st worked in rnds (purl 1 round, knit 1 round) for 6 rounds.
Bind off loosely as if to purl.
Sew in sleeves. Sew sleeve and side seams. Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

$\mathbf{k}=$ knit; $\mathbf{k 2 t o g}=$ knit next 2 sts together; p = purl; p2tog = purl next 2 sts together; $\mathbf{s t}(\mathbf{s})=\operatorname{stitch}(e s) ;$ * $=$ repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

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