



KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Baby Hugs™

Medium: 2 (2, 2) balls 4704 Happy

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:

5 mm [US 8] straight needles and two 16" [40 cm] circular needles

Stitch holder, locking stitch markers, two 5/8" [16 mm] buttons, yarn needle

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm], in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Baby Hugs™ Medium, Art E404 Oeko-Tex Certified 100% Acrylic baby yarn available in 4.5 oz (127 g) 247 yds (225 m) balls

SHOP KIT



Rockin' the Ruffles Tunic

Whether she wears it over jeans or fancy leggings, she'll love the comfort of our soft knitted tunic. This yarn has been tested and certified free from harmful levels of over 300 substances. Look for the tested mark with the blue heart on the ball band.

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

Finished Chest: 26 (28, 30)" [66 (71, 76) cm]

Finished Length: 16 (17¼, 18½)" [40.5 (44, 47) cm]

Notes

1. Tunic is made from 2 pieces: Back and Front.
2. Shoulders are seamed and ruffled collar is worked and attached to neck edge in two steps. First, using one circular needle, stitches are picked up across the neck edge, left on the needle, and set aside. With the 2nd circular needle, the ruffle is worked from the outer (wider) edge inwards. Then ruffle stitches and stitches picked up around the neck edge are matched and purled together to attach the ruffle to the Tunic. Additional rows are worked to complete the ruffled collar.

Special Stitch

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.

BACK

With straight needles, cast on 72 (78, 84) sts. Work in Garter st (knit every row) for 6 rows.

Next Row (wrong side): Purl.

Decrease Row (right side): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—70 (76, 82) sts.

Work in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) for 5 rows. Repeat last 6 rows 8 (9, 10) more times—54 (58, 62) sts.

Repeat Decrease Row—52 (56, 60) sts. Work even in Stockinette st until piece measures about 10½ (11½, 12½)" [26.5 (29, 32) cm] from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Armholes

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 3 (4, 4) sts, knit to end of row—49 (52, 56) sts.

Row 2: Bind off 3 (4, 4) sts, purl to end of row—46 (48, 52) sts.

Row 3 (decrease row): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—44 (46, 50) sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Repeat last 2 rows 2 (2, 3) more times—40 (42, 44) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until armholes measure about 2" [5 cm], end with a wrong side row.

Shape Right Placket

Row 1 (right side): K20 (21, 22), place remaining 20 (21, 22) sts on holder for left placket and neck, cast on 2 sts—22 (23, 24) sts remain on needle and 20 (21, 22) sts are on holder.

Work over 22 (23, 24) sts on needle only.

Row 2: K4, purl to end of row.

Row 3: Knit.

Repeat last 2 rows until right armhole measures about 4 (4¼, 4½)" [10 (11, 11.5) cm], end with a right side row.

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Shape Right Neck

Row 1 (wrong side): Bind off 6 (6, 7) sts, purl to end of row—16 (17, 17) sts.

Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: Bind off 4 (5, 5) sts, purl to end of row—12 sts.

Row 4: Knit.

Row 5: Bind off 3 (3, 2) sts, purl to end of row—9 (9, 10) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until right armhole measures about 5½ (5¾, 6)" [14 (14.5, 15) cm], end with a wrong side row. Bind off.

Shape Left Placket

Row 1 (right side): Cast on 2 sts to right needle, then with right side facing, knit the 20 (21, 22) left placket and neck sts from the holder—22 (23, 24) sts.

Row 2: Purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Row 3: Knit.

Buttonhole Row (wrong side): Purl to last 4 sts, k1, yo, k2tog, k1.

Next Row: K2, knit into the yo, knit to end of row.

Next Row: Purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Next Row: Knit.

Repeat last 2 rows.

Buttonhole Row (wrong side): Purl to last 4 sts, k1, yo, k2tog, k1.

Next Row: K2, knit into the yo, knit to end of row.

Next Row: Purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Next Row: Knit.

Repeat last 2 rows until left armhole measures same as right armhole to neck, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Left Neck

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 6 (6, 7) sts, knit to end of row—16 (17, 17) sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: Bind off 4 (5, 5) sts, knit to end of row—12 sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: Bind off 3 (3, 2) sts, knit to end of row—9 (9, 10) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until left armhole measures same as right armhole, end with a wrong side row. Bind off.

FRONT

Work same as Back to armhole shaping.

Shape Armholes

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 3 (4, 4) sts, knit to end of row—49 (52, 56) sts.

Row 2: Bind off 3 (4, 4) sts, purl to end of row—46 (48, 52) sts.

Row 3 (decrease row): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—44 (46, 50) sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Repeat last 2 rows 2 (2, 3) more times—40 (42, 44) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until armholes measure about 2½ (2¾, 3)" [6.5 (7, 7.5) cm], end with a wrong side row.

Divide for Neck

Row 1 (right side): K16 (16, 17) and place these sts on holder for left neck, bind off next 8 (10, 10) sts for front neck, knit to end of row for right neck—16 (16, 17) sts remain on needle and 16 (16, 17) sts are on holder.

Shape Right Neck

Work over 16 (16, 17) sts on needle only.

Row 2 (wrong side): Purl.

Row 3: Bind off 4 sts, knit to end of row—12 (12, 13) sts.

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: Bind off 3 sts, knit to end of row—9 (9, 10) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until right armhole measures about 5½ (5¾, 6)" [14 (14.5, 15) cm], end with a wrong side row. Bind off.

Shape Left Neck

Return the 16 (16, 17) left neck sts from holder to left needle so that you are ready to work a wrong side row.

Row 2 (wrong side): Purl.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: Bind off 4 sts, purl to end of row—12 (12, 13) sts.

Row 5: Knit.

Row 6: Bind off 3 sts, purl to end of row—9 (9, 10) sts.

Work even in Stockinette st until left armhole measures same as right armhole, end with a wrong side row.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Place left placket over right placket and tack in place along bottom edge.

Neck Edge

With right side facing and circular needle, beginning at left back neck edge (skipping

the edge of the left placket), pick up and k72 (78, 84) sts across neck edge (stopping at the beginning of the right placket). Leave stitches on needle and cut yarn.

Ruffle

With 2nd circular needle, cast on 134 (146, 157) sts. Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles.

Row 1 (wrong side): Knit.

Beginning with a right side (knit) row, work even in Stockinette st until piece measures about 2 (2½, 3)" [5 (6.5, 7.5) cm] from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

Next Row (right side): K1, *k2tog, k3; repeat from * to last 3 (0, 1) sts, k3 (0, 1)—108 (117, 126) sts.

Next Row: *P2tog, p1; repeat from * to end of row—72 (78, 84) sts.

With both right sides facing out, place ruffle in front of stitches picked up along neck edge. With yarn attached to ruffle, working 1 stitch from neck edge together with 1 stitch from ruffle, purl across neck edge to join ruffle to Tunic.

Next 2 Rows: Purl.

Bind off as if to purl.

Armhole Edging

With right side facing and straight needles, pick up and k50 (54, 58) sts along armhole edge.

Knit 3 rows.

See next page for schematics and alternate photo

Bind off as if to knit. Repeat for 2nd armhole.
Sew side and armhole edge seams. Sew
button to right placket opposite buttonhole.
Weave in ends

ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together;
p = purl; **p2tog** = purl next 2 sts together;
st(s) = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; * = repeat
whatever follows the * as indicated.

