

**SIZE**

3-6 months

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**Chest:** 18"**Length:** 24"**MATERIALS**

Premier® Yarns Everyday® Baby (100% anti-pilling acrylic; 113gm/308 yds)

- #DNE 101-01 White – 3 balls

Needles: US Size 6 (4 mm) 24" circular and set of 5 double-point needles *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch markers, stitch holders, 6 - ½" buttons

GAUGE

22 sts x 28 rows = 4" in St st

Save time, check your gauge.**STITCH GUIDE****Stockinette Stitch (St st) in rows****Row 1 (WS):** Purl.**Row 2 (RS):** Knit

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for pattern.

Stockinette Stitch (St st) in the round**Rnd 1:** Knit

Rep Rnd 1 for pattern.

BODICE

Using circular needle, cast on 99 sts.

Work in St st in rows until piece measures 2½", ending with a WS row.

Divide Front and Back

Next Row (RS): K19 for left back and place these sts on holder, bind off 11 sts for underarm, k39 for front and place these sts on holder, bind off 11 sts for underarm, k19 for right back.

Working on right back sts only, work in St st until piece measures 3½" from underarm bind off, ending with a RS row.

Next row (WS): Bind off 11 sts, purl to end. Bind off rem 8 sts.

Left Back

Return left back sts to needle and re-join yarn at armhole edge.

Work in St st until piece measures 3½" from underarm bind off, ending with a WS row.

Next row (RS): Bind off 11 sts, knit to end. Bind off rem 8 sts.

Front

Return front sts to needle and re-join yarn at right armhole edge.

Work in St st until piece measures 1½" from underarm bind off, ending with a WS row.

Shape Front Neck

Row 1 (RS): Knit 13, join another ball of yarn and bind off center 13 sts, knit to end – 13 st each side. Work both sides at once with separate balls of yarn.

Row 2 (WS): Purl.

Row 3: Knit to 3 sts before Right Front neck edge, k2tog, k1; on other side, k1, ssk, knit to end of Left Front – 1 st decreased each side.

Row 4: Purl.

Knit Christening Gown

Level: Intermediate

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Rows 5-12: Rep Rows 3 and 4, 4 more times – 8 sts each side.

Work even in St st until piece measures same as back to shoulders.

Bind off.

Sew shoulder seams.

SKIRT

Using circular needle, with RS facing, pick up and knit 99 sts evenly along cast on edge.

Knit 3 rows.

Next Row (RS): Kfb in each st across—198 sts.

Continue in St st until skirt measures 3½", ending with a WS row.

Place marker to indicate beginning of round and join to work in the round.

Begin Lace Pattern

Rnds 1 and 3: Knit.

Rnd 2: * K2tog, yo, k1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4: * Yo, k1, k2tog; rep from * to end.

Rep Rnds 1-4 until skirt measures 17½".

Next Rnd: Knit.

Next Rnd: Purl.

Rep last 2 rnds 2 more times.

Bind off.

SLEEVES

Join yarn at center of armhole.

Using double-pointed needles, with RS facing, pick up and knit 51 sts evenly around armhole. Place marker for beginning of round and join to work in the round.

Work in St st in the round until sleeve measures 1¾".

Next Rnd: * K1, k2tog; rep from * to end—34 sts.

Next Rnd: Purl.

Next Rnd: Knit.

Next Rnd: Purl.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Neck Edging

With RS facing, pick up and knit 58 sts around neck opening.

Knit 4 rows.

Bind off.

Button Band

Join yarn at lower end of back opening.

With RS facing, pick up and knit 56 sts evenly along left back edge.

Knit 4 rows.

Bind off.

Buttonhole Band

Mark placement for 6 buttonholes along right back edge.

Join yarn at right back neck edge.

With RS facing, pick up and knit 56 sts evenly along right back edge.

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2 – Buttonhole Row (RS): * Knit to marked buttonhole position, yo, k2tog; rep from * 5 more times, knit to end.

Rows 3 and 4: Knit.

Bind off.

Lap buttonhole band on top of button band and sew lower ends in place.

Sew buttons opposite buttonholes.

Weave in ends. Block gently.

Abbreviations

dec decrease

k knit

k2tog knit two stitches together (1 st decreased)

kfb knit in front and back of same st (1 st increased)

p purl

RS Right Side

rem remain(ing)

rep repeat(s)

rnd round

ssk slip, slip, knit (1 st decreased)

st(s) stitch(es)

WS Wrong Side

yo yarn over