



Gathering Dress

Level: Intermediate

SIZES

6-9 months (12-18 months, 2T, 4T)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approximate Chest: 19 (21 ½, 24 ½, 27 ½)''

Length: 17 (18 ½, 20, 22 ½)''

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns Puzzle™ (100% Acrylic; 7oz/200g 328yds/300m)

- #1050-26 Sequence – 1 (2, 2, 2) balls
- Needles:** US Size 8 (5 mm) and 10 (6 mm) 16'' circular needle, US Size 8 (5mm) double pointed needles (set of 5) *or size needed to obtain gauge*
- Notions:** Tapestry needle, 2 removable stitch markers, 1 stitch marker, 3 stitch holders, scissors, tape measure, sewing thread to match, sewing needle, 5 buttons

GAUGE

15 sts x 20 rows = 4'' in St st on larger needle

15 sts, 30 rows = 4'' in Garter st on smaller needle

Save time, check your gauge.

STITCH GUIDE

Garter Stitch in the Round (*any multiple of sts*)

Rnd 1: Purl.

Rnd 2: Knit.

Rep rnds 1-2 for patt.

PATTERN NOTES

This pattern is written for the smallest size, with larger sizes in parentheses. If only one number is given, it applies to all sizes.

A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of stitches. You will only be working the armholes in the round.

DRESS

Back

With smaller circular ndl, cast on 55 (61, 70, 79) sts. Work in Garter st for 2''. Change to larger circular ndl. Work in st st for 8 (9, 10, 12)'' above Garter st, end having worked a WS Row. Change to smaller ndl.

Dec Row (RS): K1, *k2tog, k1; rep from * across. —37 (41, 47, 53) sts on ndl.

Work in Garter st for 1 ¼'' (1 ½, 1 ¾, 2)''; end having worked a WS Row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 2 sts at the beginning of next 2 rows. Dec Row (RS): K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2—2 sts dec'd.

Rep the Dec row every other RS Row 2 (2, 3, 3) times more. 31 (35, 39, 45) sts.

Continue to work in Garter st for 4 ¾ (5, 5 ¼, 5 ½)'' above armhole shaping.

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Shape Neck

Place a removable marker on each side of the center 15 (17, 19, 23) sts to mark neck.

Next Row (RS): K to removable m, sl the center 15 (17, 19, 23) sts onto a holder, attach a new ball of yarn, k to end of row.

Working both shoulders at once, dec 1 st at each neck edge on every other row 4 times.

4 (5, 6, 7) sts remain for each shoulder. Bind off all sts.

Right Front

With smaller circular ndl, cast on 31 (34, 37, 43) sts.

Work in Garter st for 2". Change to larger circular ndl.

Keeping the first 4 sts of RS Rows (which is also the last 4 sts of WS Rows) in Garter st, work in st st for 2½ (2¾, 3, 3½)" from cast on edge, end having worked a WS Row.

Buttonhole Row (RS): K2, yo, k2tog, k to end of row. Rep the buttonhole row two times more every 2½ (2¾, 3, 3½)".

Work even until piece measures 8 (9, 10, 12)" above Garter st, end having worked a WS Row.

Change to smaller ndl.

Dec Row (RS): K2, yo, k2tog, *k2tog, k1; rep from * across— 22 (24, 26, 30) sts on ndl.

Work in Garter st for 1¼" (1½, 1¾, 2)", end having worked a RS Row.

Shape Armholes

Next Row (WS): Bind off 2 sts, k to end of row.

Dec Row (RS): K to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2—1 sts dec'd. Rep the Dec row every other RS Row 2 (2, 3, 3) times more. 20 (22, 23, 27) sts on ndl.

At the same time work buttonhole row once more when armhole measures ¾", (1, 1¼, 1½)".

Continue to work even until piece measures 1¼ (1½, 1¾, 2)" above armhole, end having worked a WS Row.

Shape Neck

Next Row (RS): K 4 sts, placing them on a holder, k to end of row.

Next Row (WS): K across.

Next Row (Dec Row) (RS): K2, ssk, k to end of row—1 st dec'd.

Rep the last 2 rows 11 (12, 12, 15) times more.

4 (5, 6, 7) sts remain. Knit until armhole measures 5¾ (6, 6¼, 6½)". Bind off all sts.

Left Front

With smaller circular ndl, cast on 31 (34, 37, 43) sts.

Work in Garter st for 2". Change to larger circular ndl.

Keeping the last 4 sts of RS Rows (which is also the first 4 sts of WS Rows) in Garter st, work until piece measures 8 (9, 10, 12)" above Garter st, end having worked a WS Row.

Change to smaller ndl.

Dec Row (RS): *K1, k2tog; rep from * across to last 4 sts, k4— 22 (24, 26, 30) sts on ndl.

Work in Garter st for 1¼" (1½, 1¾, 2)", end having worked a WS Row.

Shape Armholes

Next Row (RS): Bind off 2 sts, k to end of row.

Next Row (WS): K across.

Dec Row (RS): K2, ssk, k to end of row—1 sts dec'd. Rep the Dec row every other RS Row 2 (2, 3, 3) times more. 20 (22, 23, 27) sts on ndl.

Continue to work even for 1¼ (1½, 1¾, 2)" above armhole, end having worked a RS Row.

Shape Neck

Next Row (WS): K 4 sts, placing them on a holder, k to end of row.

Next Row (Dec Row) (RS): K to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2—1 st dec'd.

Rep the last 2 rows 11 (12, 12, 15) times more.

4 (5, 6, 7) sts remain. Knit until armhole measures 5¾ (6, 6¼, 6½)". Bind off all sts.

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FINISHING

Sew the shoulder seams.

Sew the side seams.

Armhole Edging: With RS facing and smaller dpns, start at the center of the underarm, pick up evenly and k 39 (41, 43, 44) sts along the armhole opening. Pm to mark beginning of rnd.

Work in Garter st in the rnd for 5 rnds.

Bind off all sts in k on next rnd.

Rep for the other armhole.

Neck Edging: With RS facing and smaller circular ndl, sl the right front's 4 sts from the holder onto ndl, pick up evenly and k 15 sts along the front neck to shoulder, 3 sts from shoulder to holder, k across 11 (11, 16, 19) sts from back holder, pick up and k 3 sts from shoulder 15 sts along the front neck to holder, k across 4 sts from left front holder.

55 (55, 60, 63) sts on ndl.

Work in Garter st for 5 rows.

Bind off all sts in k on next row.

Sew 5 buttons onto the button placket.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

dec('d) decrease(d)

dpn(s) double pointed needles

k knit

k2tog knit two stitches together (1 st dec'd)

Garter st garter stitch

ndl needle

patt pattern

pm place marker

rep repeat(ing)

rnd round

RS right side

Sl slip

ssk slip next 2 sts individually knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, knit them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)

st(s) stitch(es)

St st stockinette stitch

WS wrong side

yo yarn over

