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Springtime Baby Cardi

by Kaity Von Rader



Size: 3 months (6 months, 12 months)

Materials:

Berroco Weekend; color: "Clothesline" #5926; 1

(2, 2) skeins

US Size 7 24" circular needles (OR SIZE

NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE)

Stitch Markers

4 buttons

Gauge: 20 stitches = 4 inches in Stockinette

Stitch

Abbreviations:

K: Knit

P: Purl

St St: Stockinette Stitch

WS: Wrong Side RS: Right Side M1: Make One St(s): Stitch(es) SSK: Slip Slip Knit

K2TOG: Knit 2 Together

YO: Yarn Over

Seed Stitch (with odd number of stitches):

Row 1: *K1, P1, repeat from * to last stitch, K1.

Repeat Row 1 to desired length.

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BACK:

Cast on 47 (49, 51) stitches

Work in seed stitch for 1 inch

Change to stockinette stitch and work until piece measures 6 (6.25, 6.5) inches. Mark last stitch on each side of work. Resume working in St st until piece measures 9.5 (10, 10.5) inches from cast on edge, ending with a WS row.

Next row: K12, bind off next 23 (25, 27) stitches, K12. Place first 12 stitches on a holder and work each side separately.

LEFT FRONT:

Row 1 (WS): P all sts

Row 2 (RS): K1, M1, K to end of row.

Repeat these 2 rows until you reach 23 (25, 27) sts total.

AND AT THE SAME TIME: When work measures 13 (13.5, 13.75)" from cast on edge, mark last stitch on each side of work.

After increasing is complete for the neck line, continue working in st st until front measures 8.5 (9, 9.5) inches. Work 1 inch of seed stitch, bind off in pattern.

RIGHT FRONT: Re-join yarn at other front, ready to work a WS row

Row 1 (WS): P all sts

Row 2 (RS): K to last st, M1, K1.

Repeat these 2 rows until you reach 23 (25, 27) sts total.

AND AT THE SAME TIME: When work measures 13 (13.5, 13.75)" from cast on edge, mark last stitch on each side of work.

After increasing is complete for the neck line, continue working in st st until front measures 8.5 (9, 9.5) inches. Work 1 inch of seed stitch, bind off in pattern.

SLEEVES: Pick up and knit 35 (37, 39) stitches between two markers on one side edge.

*Work 5 rows of st st.

Next row (Row 6, RS): K1, SSK, K to last 3 sts, K2TOG, K1.

Repeat from * (work 5 rows st st, work decrease row) until sleeve measures approx. 5(5.5, 6.5) inches from picked up stitches.

Work 1 inch in seed stitch, bind off in pattern.

Work second sleeve the same way, picking up the sts between the markers on the other side of the garment.

NECK AND BUTTON BAND:

With RS facing you and starting at the bottom edge of the right front, pick up and knit 3 sts for every 4 rows up along the side of the front, pick up and knit 1 st for every bound-off st at the back of the neck, and pick up and knit 3 sts for every 4 rows down along the edge of the other front.

The exact number of sts you have is not too critical, as long as you picked them up at this ratio, and you should end with an odd number of sts.

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Work in seed stitch across all sts for 3 rows (2 rows if making sweater for BOY). On 4th (3rd) row: Buttonhole Row: *K4, K2TOG, YO, repeat from * 3 more times. Complete row as normal, continuing in seed stitch as set.

If making sweater for GIRL: Bind off on next row all sts in pattern.

If making sweater for BOY: Work 1 more row seed stitch, bind of on next row all sts in pattern.

FINISHING:

Sew side and sleeve seams. Weave in all ends on WS. Sew buttons on opposite of button holes. Block if desired.

