



Patons Quickerknit Baby Wool

One size, up to 6 months, 18 inch chest

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Quick to knit and so so cute, a matinee coat for babies up to six months in Patons Quickerknit Baby Wool

MATERIALS

4 oz. PATONS QUICKERKNIT Baby Wool, Patonised.

Two No. 11 and two No. 9 BEEHIVE needles or QUEEN BEE if stainless rigid needles preferred, measured by BEEHIVE gauge. 1 yard ribbon.

You must use Quickerknit to be sure of a successful result.

MEASUREMENTS

To fit 18 inch chest. Length, 10 ins. Sleeve seam, 5 ins. (adjustable).

These instructions apply to the above measurements only; adaptations to other sizes are not available.

ABBREVIATIONS

K.=knit; P.=purl; st.=stitch; w.fwd.=wool forward; tog.=together; t.b.l.=through back of loops; inc.=increase by working into front and back of stitch; dec.=decrease by working 2 sts. together; beg.=beginning; alt.=alternate; rep.=repeat; patt.=pattern; ins.=inches; w.b.=wool back—take wool to back of work; H.B.=Work herringbone across next 2 sts. as follows:— keeping wool at back of needle slip 1, K.1, pass the slip st. over on to the left-hand needle and knit into back of it.

HOW TO CHECK YOUR TENSION

Before you knit this design check your tension carefully. Take a pair of No. 9 needles and some Patons Quickerknit Baby Wool, Patonised. Cast on 13 stitches and work in stocking stitch—1 row knit; 1 row purl—for 17 rows.

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Cast off; press lightly on wrong side. The tension should be $6\frac{1}{2}$ stitches and $8\frac{1}{2}$ rows to one square inch and the knitted square should measure 2 inches each way. If the square is bigger your work is too loose; try a size finer needle. If it is smaller your work is too tight; try a size coarser needle.

If you knit to the correct tension in stocking stitch, you will knit naturally to the correct tension for any stitch in this booklet. If you alter the needles to obtain the correct tension in stocking stitch, corresponding alterations must be made to the needles throughout.

BACK

Using No. 11 needles, cast on 73 sts.

Work 5 rows in moss stitch (every row * K.1, P.1, rep. from * to last st., K.1).

Next row—Moss stitch 3, (inc. in next st., moss stitch 5) 11 times, inc. in next st., moss stitch to end (85 sts.).

Change to No. 9 needles and proceed in patt. as follows:—

1st row K.1, * H.B., P.1, w.b., rep. from * to last 3 sts., H.B., K.1.

2nd row—* K.1, P.2, rep. from * to last st., K.1.

These 2 rows form the patt.

Work 2 rows more in patt.

Keeping patt. correct, shape as follows:—

Next row—K.2 tog., patt. to last 2 sts., K.2 tog.

Work 5 rows in patt.

Rep. last 6 rows 5 times more (73 sts.).

Continue on these sts. until work measures $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins. from beg., finishing with right side facing for next row.

Keeping patt. correct throughout, **shape raglan** as follows:—

1st and 2nd rows—Cast off 6, patt. to end.

3rd row—K.1, K.2 tog.t.b.l., patt. to last 3 sts., K.2 tog., K.1.

4th row—K.1, P.1, patt. to last 2 sts., P.1, K.1.
Rep. 3rd and 4th rows until 25 sts. remain, finishing at end of a 4th row.

Cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

Using No. 11 needles, cast on 37 sts.

Work 5 rows in moss stitch.

Next row—Moss stitch 3, (inc. in next st., moss stitch 5) 5 times, inc. in next st., moss stitch to end (43 sts.).

Change to No. 9 needles and work 4 rows in patt. as on Back.

Next row—Patt. to last 2 sts., K. 2 tog.

Work 5 rows in patt.

Rep. last 6 rows 5 times more (37 sts.).

Continue on these sts. until work measures same as Back to armhole shaping, finishing at armhole edge.

Keeping patt. correct throughout, **shape raglan armhole** as follows:—

1st row—Cast off 6, patt. to end.

2nd row—Patt. to last 3 sts., K.2 tog., K.1.

3rd row—K.1, P.1, patt. to end.

Rep. 2nd and 3rd rows until 20 sts. remain, finishing at end of a 3rd row.

Shape neck as follows:—

Next row—Cast off 8, patt. to last 3 sts., K.2 tog., K.1.

Dec. 1 st. at neck edge on next and every alt. row until 4 dec. have been worked at neck edge, at the same time continue dec. 1 st. at armhole edge on every alt. row as before until 1 st. remains.

Work 1 row.

Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT

Work to match Right Front, reversing all shapings, noting that tog.t.b.l. will be worked in place of tog. at armhole shaping.

SLEEVES

Using No. 11 needles, cast on 33 sts.

Work 5 rows in moss stitch.

Next row—Moss stitch 2, (inc. in next st., moss stitch 2) 9 times, inc. in next st., moss stitch to end (43 sts.).

Change to No. 9 needles and proceed in patt. as on Back, inc. 1 st. in first st. and last but one st. on every following 5th row until there are 55 sts.

Continue on these sts. until work measures 5 ins. from beg., finishing with right side facing for next row (adjust length at this point).

Shape top by working 1st to 4th row of raglan shaping as on Back, then rep. 3rd and 4th rows until 7 sts. remain, finishing at end of a 4th row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

With wrong side of work facing, block each piece to correct measurement by pinning out round edges.

Press each piece very lightly using a warm iron and damp cloth.

Using a flat seam, join side and sleeve seams and stitch Sleeves into position.

RIGHT FRONT BORDER

Using No. 11 needles, with right side facing, **knit up** 61 sts. from lower edge to cast-off sts. at neck.

Commencing with a P. row, work 3 rows in stocking stitch.

Next row—* K.2 tog., w.fwd., rep. from * to last st., K.1.

Commencing with a P. row, work 3 rows in stocking stitch.

Cast off.

LEFT FRONT BORDER

Using No. 11 needles with right side facing, knit up 61 sts. from cast-off sts. at neck to lower edge.

Complete as Right Front Border.

Fold Front Borders at row of holes to wrong side and flat-stitch into position.

Join ends.

NECKBAND

Using No. 11 needles, with right side facing, knit up 85 sts. round neck, including Front Borders.

Complete as Right Front Border.

Fold Neckband at row of holes to wrong side and flat-stitch into position.

Thread ribbon through Neckband.

Press seams.

WASHING INSTRUCTIONS

Soap, soapflakes, soap-powders and detergents are all safe—detergents are especially useful in hard water.

For quantities, always follow the maker's instructions.

Dissolve the washing agent completely in hot water and add cold water until suds are lukewarm for soap products, and cool for detergents. Prepare enough washing water to cover the garment completely. Put the garment in the water and work the suds through gently and quickly for about two minutes.

Never use a washing machine for hand-knits.

Never boil hand-knits.

Before washing all-white garments for the first time, steep them for 30 minutes in cold water to which 3 or 4 tablespoons of household ammonia have been added.

Don't use ammonia for white garments with coloured stripes.

Don't use bleaches—they scorch wool brown.

Rinse garments thoroughly in cold water—keep changing rinsing water until it comes clear. Whenever you lift the garment from the water, make sure you support it with both hands; unsupported garments soon distort irreparably—especially bulkies.

To dry your handknits, don't pull or twist the garment, simply squeeze between towels, or fold in a towel and pass through a light rubber wringer.

Make sure you remove any buttons which may break and cause damage.

Spin dryers are excellent, but don't use a tumbler dryer for woollies—the tumbling action causes felting.

Ease garment into shape; if possible lay it flat in an airing cupboard.

On no account hang it up to dry. Garments dried outdoors must be kept in the shade; wet wool scorches and turns brown in the sun.

When garment is dry reblock to correct size and shape and lightly press under a damp cloth.

Angoras—Wash as normal—just shake garment gently after drying to restore fluffiness.

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