

Marguerite Baby Cardigan
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MATERIALS: 2 ozs of 3 ply "KAIAPOI" P.X. Infantee Baby Wool. 1 pair each Nos. 10 and 12 "PARAGON" Knitting Needles. 5 buttons.

MEASUREMENTS: Length from shoulder to lower edge 10 ins. Chest 19 ins. Sleeve seams 7 ins.

TENSION: 8 sts and 10 rows to 1 inch.

ABBREVIATIONS: K, knit; p, purl, sts, stitches; inc, increase; dec, decrease; rep, repeat; rem, remains (ing); beg, beginning; patt, pattern; cont, continues (ing); garter st, every row k; ins, inches.

NOTE: This cardigan is worked in one piece to the commencement of armhole shapings. If the cardigan is for a boy, work the buttonholes on the Left Front.

With No. 12 needles cast on 168 sts and work as follows:—

1st row: K 6, p 1, * k 2, p 2; rep from * until 9 sts rem, k 2, p 1, k 6.

2nd row: K 6, k 1, * p 2, k 2; rep from * until 9 sts rem, p 2, k 1, k 6.

Cont to rep these 2 rows until the work measures 1½ ins, making a buttonhole at the beg of the 5th row as follows: K 3, cast off 2, work to end of row. On the following row, cast on 2 sts to replace those cast off. When the work measures 1½ ins, ending with a 2nd row, change to No. 10 needles and work in the patt as follows:—

1st row: K 6, p 1, * "twist 2", thus: k into the back of the 2nd st on the left hand needle and then k into the front of the 1st st and slip both sts off the needle tog, p 2; rep from * until 9 sts rem, "twist 2", p 1, k 6.

2nd row: K 6, k 1, * p 2, k 2; rep from * until 9 sts rem, k 2, p 1, k 6.

3rd row: K 6, p 1, * k 2, p 2; rep from * until 9 sts rem, k 2, p 1, k 6.

4th row: As the 2nd row.

These 4 rows comprise the patt. Cont to rep from them making further buttonholes at intervals of 1¼ ins until there are 5 in all and the work measures 6½ ins, ending with a wrong side row.

COMMENCE ARMHOLE AND FRONT SLOPE SHAPINGS: K 6, work 2 tog, patt 32, cast off 6, patt 76, cast off 6, patt 32, work 2 tog, k 6.

Cont on the last 39 sts for left front leaving the rem sts for the back and right front until required. Dec 1 st at the armhole edge on the next 5 rows, at the same time cont to shape the front slope by dec 1 st immediately inside the garter st border on every following 4th row until 26 sts rem and the armhole measures 3½ ins, ending with a wrong side row.

SHAPE SHOULDER: Cast off 10 sts from armhole edge on the next 2 alternate rows, then cont in garter st on the 6 border sts for 1¼ ins. Cast off.

Rejoin wool and work across the sts for the back, dec 1 st at both ends of the next 5 rows. (66 sts). Work in patt without further shaping until armholes measure 3¼ ins on the straight, ending with a wrong side row.

SHAPE NECK AND SHOULDERS: Patt 24, cast off 18, patt 24. Cont on the last 24 sts, dec 1 st at neck edge on the next 2 rows, then shape the shoulder by casting off 10 sts from armhole edge on the next 2 alternate rows, at the same time cont to dec at the neck edge twice more. Rejoin wool and work the other side of back neck to match, reversing the shapings. Rejoin wool and work the Right Front to correspond with the Left Front, reversing all shapings.

SLEEVES: (Both alike). Using No. 12 needles cast on 48 sts and work in rib for 1½ ins as follows:—

1st row: P 1, * k 2, p 2; rep from * ending with p 1, instead of p 2.

2nd row: K 1, * p 2, k 2; rep from * ending with k 1, instead of k 2.

Change to No. 10 needles and work in patt as follows:—

1st row: P 1, * "twist 2", p 2; rep from * ending with p 1, instead of p 2.

2nd row: K 1, * p 2, k 2; rep from * ending with k 1, instead of k 2.

3rd row: P 1, * k 2, p 2; rep from * ending with p 1, instead of p 2.

4th row: As the 2nd row.

Cont in patt as now set, inc 1 st at both ends of the next and every following 6th row (working the extra sts into patt), until there are 66 sts on the needles and work measures 7 ins (or length required).

SHAPE TOP: Dec 1 st at both ends of every row until 20 sts rem. Cast off, working 2 tog at both ends of casting off row.

TO MAKE UP: Press work lightly with a warm iron over a damp cloth, omitting ribbing. Join shoulder and sleeve seams. Stitch together the 2 sets of border sts and sew to back neck edge. Sew in sleeves. Press all seams. Sew on buttons to correspond with buttonholes.