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Soft Ribbed Toddler Pullover

with

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TECHNIQUE USED: Knit



SIZES

Small 0-6 mos. (Medium 6-9 mos., Large 9-12 mos., X-Large 12-18 mos.)

KNITTED MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 19 1/2 (21 1/2, 22 1/2, 24)"

Length: 10 (11, 12, 13)"

MATERIALS

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Caron International's Simply Soft (100% acrylic; 6 oz/170 g, 315 yds/288 m skein):

#9739 Soft Green, 1 (1, 2, 2, 2) skein(s)

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One pair each size US 7 and US 8 (4.5 mm) straight needles or size to obtain gauge

Four stitch holders

Size G/6 (4.5 mm) crochet hook

Four buttons

Yarn needle

GAUGE

In k3, p3 rib on larger needles, 21 sts and 22 rows = 4"/10 cm

STITCHES USED

K3, P3 Rib

Row 1 (RS): K3, *p3, k3; rep from * across.

Row 2 (WS): P3, *k3, p3; rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for k3, p3 rib.

Seed stitch (Seed st):

Row 1: K1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1.

Row 2: P1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k1.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 always having a knit st over a purl and a purl st over a knit.

BACK

With smaller needles, cast on 51 (57, 60, 63) sts. Work in k1, p1 rib for 1 1/2". Change to larger needles.

Est patt:

Row 1 (RS): P3 (3, 0, 3), *k3, p3; rep from * across.

Row 2 (WS): K3 (3, 0, 3), *p3, k3; rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures 6 (6 1/2, 7 1/2, 8)" from cast on edge. Mark for sleeve (armhole). Continue as established until piece measures 10 (11, 12, 13)" from cast on edge, ending on a WS row. Place all sts on a holder.

FRONT

Note: On the front the flap is worked first; the insert is worked second.

Cast on and work same as Back to armhole marker. Piece should measure 6 (6 1/2, 7 1/2, 8)" from cast on edge, ending on a WS row.

Shape neck.

(RS) Maintaining established patt work 15 (17, 18, 18) sts and place these sts on a holder for left front, work remaining 36 (40, 42, 45) sts. Continue on these sts for 3 (3 1/2, 3 1/2, 4)", ending with a WS row.

(RS) Working in established patt bind off 21 (23, 24, 27) sts for

flap, then continue in established patt on remaining 15 (17, 18, 18) sts for right shoulder.

Continue in established patt dec 1 st at neck edge every other row 3 times. Place remaining 12 (14, 15, 15) sts on a holder for right shoulder.

Insert

(WS) Place 15 (17, 18, 18) left front sts from holder onto larger needle and work these sts in established patt.

(RS) Work 15 (17, 18, 18) left front sts in established patt, then cast on 21 (23, 24, 27) sts for insert – 36 (40, 42, 45) sts.

(WS) Work in Seed st across first 21 (23, 24, 27) sts for insert; then work remaining 15 (17, 18, 18) sts in established patt for right shoulder.

(WS) Work in established patt on 15 (17, 18, 18) right shoulder sts; work in Seed st across remaining 21 (23, 24, 27) sts for insert.

Continue in established patts for 3 (3 1/2, 3 1/2, 4)", ending with a RS row.

(WS) Working in Seed st bind off 21 (23, 24, 27) insert sts; work in established patt on remaining 15 (17, 18, 18) left shoulder sts.

Continue in established patt dec 1 st at neck edge every other row 3 times. Place remaining 12 (14, 15, 15) sts on a holder for left shoulder.

Join shoulders together using 3-needle bind off method.

SLEEVES

With RS facing, using larger needle and starting at armhole marker, pick up 22 (25, 28, 31) sts to shoulder seam, 1 st at seam, then another 22 (25, 28, 31) sts to other armhole marker – 45 (51, 57, 63) sts.

(WS): Purl.

Est patt:

Row 1 (RS): P3, *k3, p3; rep from * across.

Row 2 (WS): K3, *p3, k3; rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1-2 for patt. Dec 1 st each side on 6th row, then every 4th row 3 (4, 5, 6) times – 37 (41, 45, 49) sts. Continue even, if necessary, until Sleeve measures 5 1/2 (6, 6 1/2, 7)", ending with a WS row dec 8 (10, 12, 14) sts evenly spaced across last row – 29 (31, 33, 35) sts. Change to smaller needles. Work in k1, p1 rib for 1 1/2". Bind off in rib.

FINISHING

Sew Sleeve and side seams. Tack insert across bottom and one side (inside sweater). Work in all ends.

Block: Very important that sweater is blocked.

Button Loops

With RS facing, using crochet hook and starting at bottom of flap opening and work across, sc in first 2 sts of insert, *chain 6 for buttonloop, sc in each of next 3 sts on insert; rep from * 3 more times, end sc in each st to end of flap (4 buttonloops made).

Collar

With RS facing and smaller needles, pick up 4 (5, 6, 7) sts at neck edge, 26 (28, 30, 32) sts from Back holder and 4 (5, 6, 7) sts from other side of neck – 34 (38, 42, 46) sts. Work in k1, p1 rib for 2 (2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2)". Bind off loosely in rib.

Sew on buttons opposite buttonloops.

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