

Jacket for Premature Babies

Required:

3 x 25g of 4ply 100% Pure Wool
1 x 3mm knitting needles
1 x 3.75mm knitting needles
3 buttons
stitch holder

Back, Front, Sleeves

Worked in one piece sideways commencing at right front edge with 3.75mm needles, cast on 45 stitches.

1st row: (wrong side) K to end. **2nd row:** K to end

3rd row: K6, p28, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN. **4th row:** K to end

5th row: K6, p28, k11. **6th row:** K to end

7th row: K34, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN. **8th row:** K to end

9th row: K6, p28, k11. **10th row:** K to end

11th row: K6, p28, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN. **12th row:** K to end

These 12 rows form the pattern. Repeat pattern twice more, then work 1st – 7th rows inclusive again, finish with a wrong side row

Shape Sleeve

*****1st row:** pattern 4 stitches, slip remaining 30 stitches onto a stitch holder, TURN, cast on 20 stitches for sleeve (35 stitches)

2nd row: K6, p18, k11. ****3rd row:** K to end

4th row: k6, p1, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN. **5th row:** k to end. **6th row:** k to end

7th row: k29, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN

8th row: p18, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN. **9th row:** k to end

10th row: k6, p18, k11. **11th row:** k to end

12th row: k6, p18, k11. **13th row:** k to end

14th row: k24, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN

15th row: k18, yarn forward, slip 1 purlwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to left hand needle, TURN

16th row: p18, k11. Repeat from row 3 to row 16, 3 times more, then work the first 9 of these rows again

17th row: cast off 20 stitches, k4 (including stitches used in casting off), slip 1 purllwise, yarn back, pass slipped stitch back to ledft hand needle, TURN

18th row: k4, k across 30 stitches from stich holder (45 stitches)***

Cont on back as follows: Repeat 9th – 12th rows of pattern once, then work 1st – 12th rows 7 more times more, then work 1st – 7th rows again

Shape Sleeve

Work as given for the first sleeve from row 1 to row 18

Continue on left front as follows: repeat 9th – 12th rows of pattern once, then repeat 1st – 12th rows 3 times more, then work 1st row again. Cast off.

Neckband

With right side facing and 3mm needles, pick up and k77 stitches evenly round neck edge. Knit 5 rows. K8, *k1, k2tog; repeat from * to last 9 stitches, k9 (57 stitches). K2 rows. Cast off

Left Front Band

With 3mm needles, cast on 6 stitches and k88 rows. Cast off

Right Front Band

With 3mm needles, cast on 6 stitches and k57 rows.

Next row (buttonhole): k2, k2tog, yarn forward, k2. K13 rows

Repeat from ** to ** once more, then work buttonhole row again. K2 rows, cast off.

To Makeup

Join sleeve seams, sew front bands in position. Sew on buttons to correspond with buttonholes.