

Knitting Pattern for Vests (Knit in round—no seam)

Preparation

Size: 9 months

Needles: 4-4.5 mm on 40cm circular needles

Notions: 4 stitch markers

Special Stitches

kfab: knit into front and back of stitch to increase by one stitch)

kfPSOkb: Knit front, pass stitch over, knit back: knit stitch but do not remove the original stitch from left needle. Insert left needle into the second (original) stitch on the right needle, and pass the stitch over the first stitch on right needle. Knit into the back loop of the stitch still on the left needle, this time slipping the stitch from the left needle. Pull both stitches snug.

Video tutorial: www.tikkiknits.com

Begin

Cast on 78 stitches. Join in the round making sure stitches are not twisted. Place stitch marker to indicate beginning of the round. (For a smooth join cast on an extra stitch and use this method: <http://youtu.be/idghalAiuZQ>)

Round 1: Knit placing stitch markers at the following intervals.

k22, pm, k17, pm, k22, pm, k17

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: kfab, knit to one stitch before stitch marker, kfab, slip marker, kfab; repeat from * until the end of the round, ensuring that you kfab into the last stitch of the round. You will have 8 increases over the round.

Round 4: Purl

Repeat rounds 3 & 4 a further 8 times until you have the following stitches between markers:

40/35/40/35

150 stitches in total

Create Shoulder Straps

You will be casting off stitches between markers to create armholes and shoulder straps. Remove all except the first stitch marker as you go for beginning of the round.

* Cast off 39 stitches until you reach stitch marker, remove stitch marker, kfPSOkb. Knit to one stitch before stitch marker, kfab. Remove stitch marker.

Repeat from * Stitch count: 74

Joining for Body

Cast on 10 on right needle, purl 37, cast on 10, purl 37.

Stitch count 94.

Remove stitch marker. Purl 5 stitches, replace stitch marker as new start of round, positioned under arm.

Round one: knit

Round two: purl

Repeat rounds one and two another 3 times.

Next round increase by 10 stitches evenly throughout round. Stitch count: 104

Continue knitting until piece measures desired length, approx. 11 inches.

Finish

Finish with garter stitch rounds (knit one round, purl one round), or any preferred edging stitch.