CLAIRE'S SWEATER IN THE ROUND

Gauge: 16 stitches = 4 inches
Sizes: 3 months (6 months, 9-12 months)
Yardage: 250(300,350)
Needles: 5.5 mm circular needle (16 inch works well) or size needed for gauge; double pointed needle of same size

Abbreviations

WS	wrong side
RS	right side
YO	yarn over
SM	slip marker
PM	place marker
SSK	slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped st over
K2tog	knit 2 together
Kfb	Knit into the front and back of the stitch
RM	remove marker
DP	double pointed needle

Pattern: Body

Cast on **45 (50,51)** stitches, using long tail cast on method
(First section knitted straight, not in the round)
Row 1: (WS) Knit to end (do not join)
Row 2: (RS) Knit to end
Row 3: (WS) Knit to end
Row 4: Knit to end, at the same time increasing 4 stitches, using Kfb, evenly spaced across row
Row 5   (WS) Knit **10 (11,11)** (front), PM, knit **6 (7,7)** (sleeve), PM, knit **17 (18,19)** (back), PM, knit **6 (7,7)** (sleeve), PM, knit **10 (11,11)** (front)
Row 6: (RS) (Knit to 1 stitch before the next marker, Kfb, SM, Kfb) 4 times, knit to end (8 stitches increased)
Row 7: (WS) Knit 7 stitches, purl to the last 7 stitches, knit 7 (this forms the edging)

Work rows 6 and 7 **6 (7,8)** times total. You will have **10 (11,12)** raglan increases, **129 (142, 151)** stitches total.

Divide for Sleeves
Row 10: (RS) Knit to the sleeve stitches, RM, slip the **26(29, 31)** sleeve stitches onto a piece of scrap yarn, RM, knit across the back, RM, slip the sleeve **26(29, 31)** stitches onto a piece of scrap yarn, RM, knit to end **70(77, 82)** stitches.
Row 11: (WS) Knit 7, purl to the last 7 stitched, knit 7
Row 12: Knit edging stitches together: With wrong side facing, slip 7 edging stitches from right-hand needle onto DP needle. Holding DP needle behind circular needle, knit 7 stitches from both needles together (knit 1 stitch from front needle together with 1 st from back needle. Repeat 6 more times), forming closed circle and overlapping edging.
 (If too complicated, bind off 7 edging stitches of one edge, and then sew seam together when finishing the sweater.)

Continue knitting sweater in the round, placing a marker under the first sleeve reached to mark beginning of row. Knit all rows to desired length: 5" (5½", 6½").

Row 13: (WS) Purl
Row 14: (RS) Knit
Work rows 13 and 14 **2(2,3)** times total
Bind off purl wise.

Sleeves

Note: Work each sleeve separately, in the round and place a marker at start of round 26 (29,31) stitches. Leave a 6" tail when joining yarn so you can sew closed the hole under each arm.

Short Sleeves
Round 1: Knit to end of row.
Work round 1 **3(4,4)** times total.
Go to the edging section.

Long Sleeves
Round 1: Knit to the end.
Repeat round for 1"
Round 2: Knit 1, K2tog, knit to the last 3 stitches, SSK, knit 1.

Work rounds 1 and 2 once again **22(25,27)** stitches.
Repeat Round 1 until the sleeve measures **4½ (5, 6) inches** from the under arm or to desired
          length.

Edging of Sleeves
Round 3: Purl to the end
Round 4: Knit to the end
Work rounds 3 and 4 **2 (2,3) times total**.
Bind off purl-wise.
Repeat as worked for the 2nd sleeve.

Finishing
Weave in ends, sew underarms, block and enjoy!