

2020 – AMAZON DK SHERBET CARDIGAN



Sizes: 12 -18 months, 24 – 36 months (The sweater can be made smaller or larger by changing the tension and needle size)

Materials: A -2, (2) balls turquoise Amazon, B - 2, (2) balls shocking pink Amazon, C – 2, (2) balls lemon Amazon, D - 1, (2) ball lime Amazon, E - 1, (1) ball orange Amazon.

Needles: 3.5 mm or US 4 (circular are best to handle the yoke sts)

Buttons: 3

Markers: 4

Tension: 23 sts and 40 rows to 10 cm or 4 inches

Garter Stitch Pattern: every row is knit

Work 23, (27) rows in A, 24, (28) rows B, 24, (28) rows C, 24, (28) rows D, and then continue the rest in colour E.

Hint: In order to keep a smooth line on neck shaping, cast off as follows: - slip first st from left hand needle onto the right hand needle and treat this as if it has already been worked when casting off the next set of sts. This will avoid having to pick up the sts around the neck and casting them off.

BACK AND FRONT: (knit in one piece to armholes and then join sleeves and knit yoke in one piece)
Using A, cast on 147, (159) sts and work in striped garter stitch pattern to the end of colour C, placing the first

buttonhole after the 6th (7th) ridge (on 13th /15th row) of colour C has been knit.

Buttonhole: For a boy, knit to the last 4 sts, then K2tog, yo, knit to the end of the row. For a girl, knit 2, yo, K2tog, knit to the end of the row.

A second buttonhole must be knit in the same way on the 13th/(15th) row of colour D and again on the 13th/(15th) row of colour E.

Knit 1 row of colour D.

Next row: K34, (37) sts, cast off 8 sts very loosely, K63, (69) sts, cast off 8 sts very loosely, K34, (37) sts. (Right side should be facing at this point)

Put the fronts and back on holders until the sleeves are knit.

SLEEVES: (knit 2)

Using A, cast on 44, (46) sts and work in striped garter stitch pattern as for main body increasing 1 stitch at each end of 7th and every following 6th row until there are 62, (66) sts on the needle. Work straight in garter stitch pattern until the end of colour C. Change to colour D and cast off 5 sts at the beginning or the next two rows. Put first sleeve and a holder and knit the second sleeve. (52 (56) sts)

Now you are ready to assemble the sweater in order to knit the yoke.

On the circular needle, place the sts from the right front, then sts from one sleeve, then stitches from the back, then sts from the second sleeve, and then the sts from the left front. (You should have 235, (255) sts on the needle).

NB: Your work will be very tight around the sleeves at this point, but it will loosen up after a few rows of knitting.

Now begin the raglan shaping which is done on every right side row. Place a marker 2 stitches before the end of the right front, then a second one 2 sts before the end of the right sleeve and a third one 2 sts before the end of the back and the last one 2 sts before the end of the left sleeve. Knit 4 rows straight, slipping the markers.

Begin raglan shaping by knitting to 2 sts before the markers, K2tog, slip the marker, K4, K2tog. Repeat for each of the other 3 markers. This means that 8 sts are decreased on every right side row.

When 12, (14) rows of colour D are complete, place the second buttonhole on the 13th/ 15th row. When 24, (28) rows of colour D are complete, change to colour E and continue with the raglan shaping. When 12, (14) rows of colour E are complete, place the third buttonhole on the 13th/15th row. When 16, (18) rows of colour E are complete begin shaping the neck but keeping the raglan decreases as you shape.

Neck Shaping:

Cast off 6 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then 2 sts at the beginning of the next 4 rows and 1 st at the beginning of the next 4, (6) rows. Cast off remaining sts.

Finishing: Sew up side sleeve seams, and then graft armholes. Sew in ends neatly around neck. If you wish a more finished edge at the neck, you may pick up the stitches around the neck and then immediately cast them off on the next row. Sew on buttons opposite buttonholes.

STRIPED GARTER STITCH HAT

Sizes: 6-9 mth, (12 - 18 mth, 24 – 36 mth)

Materials: 1 ball each of DK Weight yarn such as Amazon in A = Turquoise, B = Pink, C = Lemon, D = Lime, E = Orange

Needles: 3.25mm (US 3) or 3.5 mm (US 4) to get a tension of 23 sts in 10 cm or 4 inches. You will get approximately 40 rows in 10 cm or 4 inches in garter stitch.

Striped Garter Stitch Pattern: (Each ridge = 2 rows of knitting)

Work 6, (7, 8) ridges of A; 6, (7, 8) ridges of B; 6, (7, 8) ridges of C; 6, (7, 8) ridges of D; and the rest in E.

HAT

Using A, cast on 92, (107, 107) sts and work 8, (9, 10) cm or 3, (3.5, 4) in. in striped garter stitch pattern ending with a wrong side row.

Shape crown:

Keeping striped pattern correct, work as follows:

1st decrease row: K 1, (K 13, K2tog) 6, (7, 7) times, K1

Knit 1 row

2nd decrease row: K 1, (K 12, K2tog) 6, (7, 7) times, K1

Working one st less between decreases each time in this way, dec 6, (7, 7) sts on 2nd and every following alternate row until 8 (9, 9) sts. remain ending with a wrong side row.

Cut yarn and thread through remaining 8, (9, 9) sts, draw up and fasten off.

Join centre back seam, matching stripes.