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Who doesn't love knitting for babies? The patterns are adorable, the yarns are soft, and the knitting is done before you know it! And seeing your handwork worn by the wee one you made it for is nothing short of irresistible.

The magical part is knowing that when you knit for Baby, you are knitting for the future—even when this particular child has grown out of your gift, you know the item will be carefully saved for the next little one in the family, whether that be a year or a generation away. You're not just knitting for practicality or warmth; you're knitting to create a family heirloom.

Here, we've chosen nine designs for the babies in your life. Select a preemie hat for the littlest one, three baby sock patterns, a baby bootie pattern, a blanket full of stars, a lace cap, a tiny jacket, a classic cardigan, or a set

of barnyard baby booties. From the simplest garter stitch pattern to cables and lace, you'll find something here for every skill level and every taste.

I hope that one of these designs will find its way into your family's life, helping to welcome a new little person into your arms and your hearts. May the future of these young ones be bright!

Enjoy!



Sandi Wiseheart
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Preemie Caps

design by Eunny Jang

As Seen on Knitting Daily TV

This hat pattern is extremely flexible – use DK or worsted weight yarn and vary needle size to adjust size and fit. Work this hat in two-round stripes in two or more colors to use up odd ends of yarn.



FINISHED SIZE: 8" (10") circumference around hat brim.

YARN: 1 ball worsted weight yarn. **Medium #4.**

NEEDLES: Size 7 needles, set of 4 double-pointed.

NOTIONS: Tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 4.5 sts and 6 rows/inch.

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate.

HAT

Cast on 36 (42) sts. Divide evenly onto three double-pointed needles, being careful not to twist. Work in k1, p1 ribbing for approximately 1". Work in plain stockinette (knit every round) until work measures 3.5 (4) inches.

SHAPE CROWN

Rnd 1: *K4(5), k2tog. Rep from * around. 6 sts dec'd.

Rnd 2 and all alternate rounds: knit

Rnd 3: *K3(4), k2tog. Rep from * around. 6 sts dec'd.

Continue working this way, working 1 fewer st between decs, until 12 sts rem.

Final dec rnd: K2tog around. 6 sts rem.

FINISHING

PLAIN – cut tail; thread on a tapestry needle and run through live loops remaining. Draw tight; draw tail to back side and secure.

I-Cord - K2tog 3 times. 3 sts rem. *Slide sts back to opposite end of needle; without turning work, draw working yarn tight and k3 sts. Rep from * until i-cord is approximately 2" long. BO all sts; cut tail. Tie a knot in the cord, or use the tail to tack free end of cord down to form a loop.

Weave in all ends. Wash and block. ☀

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Vine Lace Baby Hat

design by Sandi Wiseheart

Originally published January 2007

Take a lovely yarn, cast on some stitches, and work a simple (Yes, really! Would we lie to you?) lace stitch for a few inches. Then work some decreases, pull the yarn through the final stitches, and you're done! It's hard to resist making baby hats, especially when they are this easy—and when the results look so adorable on cute baby heads. What's not to love?



Sandi Wiseheart

Due to reader request, we've added an additional, larger size for children 6-18 months of age.

FINISHED SIZE: 12 (12.5, 13, 17)" [30.5 (31.5, 33, 43.5) cm] brim circumference, slightly stretched. Hat measures 5 (5 1/8, 5.25, 5.5)" [12.5 (13, 13.5, 14) cm] tall from lower brim to top of crown. To fit a preemie (newborn, 3-6 months, 6-18 months).

YARN: **Preemie and 3-6 months:** Lana Grossa Cool Wool 2000 (100% superfine merino wool; 175 yd [160 m]/50 g); **Girl's hat:** #452 pink. **Boy's hat:** #488 olive green. 1 ball will make 2 hats (either size). **Newborn:** Mountain Colors Bearfoot (60% superwash wool, 25% mohair, 15% nylon; 350 yd [320 m]/100 g); mountain twilight. 1 skein will make 2 hats. **6-18 months:** (forest green hat): Dream in Color Smooshy (100% superwash Australian merino wool; 450 yd [411 m]/4 oz [113 g]): #150 happy forest. 1 skein will make 8-10 hats in the largest size.

NEEDLES: **For preemie (newborn, 3-6 months, 6-18 months):** Size 2 (3, 4, 4) [2.75 (3.25, 3.5) mm]—set of 4 or 5 double-pointed needles (dpn). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Marker (m); tapestry needle.

GAUGE: **For preemie (newborn, 3-6 months):** 27 (26, 25) sts and 34 (32, 30) rnds = 4" in pattern stitch worked in the round, unstretched. **For 6-18**

months: 18 sts and 27 rnds = 3" in pattern stitch worked in the round, slightly stretched.

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate.

STITCH GUIDE:

S2kp: Slip 2 sts as if to k2tog, knit the next st, pass both slipped sts over st just worked—2 sts dec'd.

Vine Lace: (multiple of 9 sts)

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2: *K1, yo, k2, ssk, k2tog, k2, yo; rep from * to end.

Rnd 3: Knit.

Rnd 4: *Yo, k2, ssk, k2tog, k2, yo, k1; rep from * to end.

Repeat Rnds 1-4 for pattern.

Note: Be careful not to drop any yarnovers that occur at the ends of the needles.

CAP

CO 81 (81, 81, 90) sts.. Divide sts evenly on 3 dpn (27 (27, 27, 30) sts each needle), place marker (pm), and join for working in the rnd. Work in Vine Lace pattern (see Stitch Guide) for 3 (3, 3, 3.5)" [7.5 (7.5, 7.5, 9) cm], ending with Rnd 4 of pattern. **Dec for crown as foll:**

Odd-numbered Rnds 1-15: Knit.



Newborn hat in Mountain Colors Bearfoot

Joe Coca

Rnd 2: *K1, yo, k2, s2kp (see Stitch Guide), k2tog, k1, yo; rep from * to end—72 (72, 72, 80) sts.

Rnd 4: *Yo, k1, ssk, s2kp, k1, yo, k1; rep from * to end—63 (63, 63, 70) sts.

Rnd 6: *K1, yo, k1, s2kp, k2tog, yo; rep from * to end—54 (54, 54, 60) sts.

Rnd 8: *Yo, ssk, s2kp, yo, k1—45 (45, 45, 50) sts.

Rnd 10: *K1, yo, (sl 2 sts as if to k2tog), k2tog, pass both slipped sts over new st just made, yo; rep from * to end—36 (36, 36, 40) sts.

Rnd 12: *K1, s2kp, yo; rep from * to end—27 (27, 27, 30) sts.

Rnd 14: *S2kp, yo; rep from * to end

—18 (18, 18, 20) sts.

Rnd 16: [Ssk] 9 (9, 9, 10) times—9 (9, 9, 10) sts rem.

Rnd 17: Knit.

Break yarn, leaving a 10" tail. Thread tail on tapestry needle and pull through rem sts. Pull tight to close top of cap, and fasten off on WS. Weave in loose ends. Block.. *

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Joe Coca

Preemie girl's hat in *Lana Grossa Cool Wool*



Sandi Wiseheart

Toddler Hat in *Dream in Color Smooshy*

Baby's First Sock

design by Ann Budd

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Joe Coca

Tired of knitting booties, but can't resist adorning those tiny feet? Baby socks knit up fast and are completely irresistible! Ann Budd adapted this pattern from Victorian England's Weldon's Practical Needlework (see "A Brief History of Weldon's Practical Needlework," PieceWork, January/February 2006).

FINISHED SIZE: About 4 inches (10 cm) foot circumference, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches (11 cm) long from top of leg to base of heel, and 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches (11 cm) long from back of heel to tip of toe.

YARN: Dale of Norway Baby Ull (fingering-weight), 100% machine-washable wool yarn, 191 yards (175 m)/50 g ball, 1 ball of #5303 lavender.

NEEDLES: One set of four double pointed size 1 (2.25 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

NOTIONS: Tapestry needle; stitch marker.

GAUGE: 20 sts and 26 rnds = 2 inches (5.1 cm) in basket-weave pattern stitch worked in the round.

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate.

LEG:

CO 49 sts. Distribute sts over 3 dpn so that 14 sts are on the first two needles and 21 sts are on the third needle. Pm and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts. P 2 rnds. K 1 rnd. Work lacey border as follows,

Rnd 1: *K2tog, [k1, yo] twice, k1, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: K.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 three more times. P 1 rnd. P 1 more rnd, ending 1 st before end of rnd marker. Sl last st temporarily to right needle, remove marker, return last st to beg of first needle, replace marker. On next rnd, k2tog, k15 on first needle; k16 on second needle; k16 on third needle—48 sts rem; 16 sts each needle; dec st is first st on first needle. Work basket-weave patt as follows,

Rnds 1–3: *P5, k3; rep from * to end of rnd.

Rnds 4–6: *P1, k3, p4; rep from * to end of rnd.

A B B R E V I A T I O N S

beg—beginning
 BO—bind off
 CO—cast on
 cont—continue
 dec—decrease; decreased
 dpn—double-pointed needles
 k—knit
 k2tog—knit 2 stitches together
 k3tog—knit 3 stitches together
 p—purl
 pm—place marker
 p2tog—purl 2 stitches together
 p3tog—purl 3 stitches together
 patt—pattern
 pssو—pass slipped stitch over last stitch worked
 rem—remain; remaining
 rep—repeat
 rnd(s)—round(s)
 RS—right side
 sl—slip
 ssk—slip 2 stitches individually knitwise, return them to left needle, then knit them together through their back loops
 st(s)—stitch(es)
 tog—together
 WS—wrong side
 yo—yarn over

Rep Rnds 1–6 three more times, then work Rnds 1–3 once more—27 rnds total.

HEEL

Heel flap—work 23 heel sts back and forth in rows as follows, **Set-up Row 1:** P1, k3, p5, k3 onto first needle, sl rem 4 sts onto second needle. Turn work.

Set-up Row 2: (WS) Sl 1, p2, k5, p3, k5, p3, k4—23 heel sts on one needle for heel.

Divide rem 25 sts evenly between 2 needles to work later for instep. Cont as follows,

Row 1: Sl 1, p3, k3, [p5, k3] twice.

Rows 2 and 4: Sl 1 k3, p3, [k5, p3] twice.

Row 3: Sl 1, k2, [p5, k3] twice, p4.

Rows 5 and 7: Sl 1, p3, k3, [p5, k3] twice.

Row 6: Sl 1, p2, [k5, p3] twice, k4.

Rows 8 and 10: Sl 1, k3, p3, [k5, p3] twice.

Row 9: Sl 1, k2, [p5, k3] twice, p4.

Rows 11–16: Rep Rows 5–10.

Rows 17–19: Rep Rows 5–7.

Row 20: Sl 1, p3, p2tog, p2, p2tog, p3, p2tog, p2, p2tog, p4—19 heel sts rem. Place all 25 instep sts on one needle. Shape heel—k10, fold the heel sts so that the 2 heel needles are parallel to each other and the WS of the work faces out—10 sts on one heel needle, 9 sts on other heel needle. Using an empty needle, sl the first st (center st of heel and last st worked), then use the Three Needle Bind-off Method to BO the heel sts tog as follows: k the first st on each needle tog as if to k2tog, pass the slipped st over the dec st to BO 1 st, *k the next st on each needle tog as if to k2tog, pass the previous st over to BO 1 st; rep from * across all sts—1 heel st rem. Turn heel right side out.

Gussets—rejoin for working in the rnd as follows,

Rnd 1: With needle holding single st from heel BO and RS facing, pick up and k 15 sts along side of heel flap; with a second needle, work instep sts as [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; with a third needle, pick up and k 15 sts along other side of heel flap—56 sts total; 16 sts on first needle, 25 sts on second needle, 15 sts on third needle.

Rnd 2: First needle p5, k3, p8; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle k7, p5, k3.

Rnd 3: First needle p5, k3, p6, p2tog; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle ssk, k5, p5, k3—54 sts rem.

Rnd 4: First needle p1, k3, p5, k6; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p7, k3, p4.

Rnd 5: First needle p1, k3, p5, k4, k2tog; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p2tog, p5, k3, p4—52 sts rem.

Rnd 6: First needle p1, k3, p5, k5; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p6, k3, p4.

Rnd 7: First needle p5, k3, p4, p2tog; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle ssk, k3, p5, k3—50 sts rem.

Rnd 8: First needle p5, k3, p5; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle k4, p5, k3.

Rnd 9: First needle p5, k3, p3, p2tog; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle ssk, k2, p5, k3—48 sts rem.

Rnd 10: First needle p1, k3, p5, k3; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p4, k3, p4.

Rnd 11: First needle p1, k3, p5, k1, k2tog; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p2tog, p2, k3, p4—46 sts rem.

Rnd 12: First needle p1, k3, p5, k2; second needle p1, [k3, p5] 3 times; third needle p3, k3, p4.

Rnd 13: First needle p5, k3, p1, p2tog; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle ssk, p5, k3—44 sts rem.

Rnd 14: First needle p5, k3, p2; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, p1; third needle k1, p5, k3.

Rnd 15: First needle p5, k2, k3tog; second needle [p5, k3] 3 times, sl last st onto third needle; third needle p3tog, p4, k3—40 sts rem.

FOOT

Rearrange sts so there are 13 sts on first needle, 16 sts on second needle, and 11 sts on third needle.

Rnds 1–3: P1, [k3, p5] 4 times, k3, p4.

Rnds 4–6: [P5, k3] 5 times.

Rep Rnds 1–6 two more times—piece measures about 3 inches (8 cm) from back of heel.

TOE

Rnd 1: P1, k3, p5, k1, k2tog, p1, p2tog, p2, k3, p5, k1, k2tog, p1, p2tog, p2, k3, p4—36 sts rem.

Rnd 2: P1, k3, p5, k2, p4, k3, p5, k2, p4, k3, p4.

Rnd 3: P1, k3, p5, k1, sl 1, k2tog, pssو, p2, k3, p5, k1, sl 1, k2tog, pssو, p2, k3, p4—32 sts rem.

Rnd 4: P5, k3, p3, k1, p5, k3, p2, k2, p5, k3.

Rnd 5: P5, k1, k2tog, p1, k3tog, p5, k3, p1, sl 1, k2tog, pssو, p1, p2tog, p2, k3—26 sts rem.

Rnd 6: P5, k2, p1, k1, p5, k3, p1, k1, p4, k3.

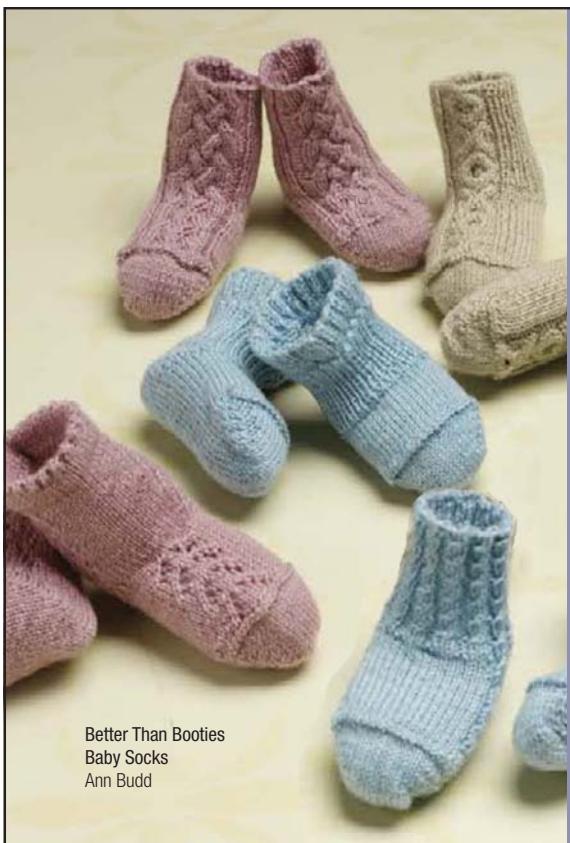
Rnd 7: P1, k1, k2tog, p2, p3tog, p1, k3, p5, p3tog, k1, p1, p2tog, p1—20 sts rem.

Rnd 8: P1, k2, p4, k3, p6, k1, p3.

Rnd 9: K3, ssk, k2tog, k6, ssk, k2tog, k3—16 sts rem. Arrange sts so there are 4 sts each on the first and third needles and 8 sts on the second needle. With third needle, k4 from first needle—8 sts each on 2 needles. With right sides of work facing out, use the Three Needle Bind-off Method to BO all sts tog as for heel, with the decorative ridge of the BO on RS.

Weave in loose ends. Block lightly. *

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Better Than Booties Baby Socks

design by Ann Budd

Not keen on baby booties? Try baby socks. Ann Budd has designed these adorable pairs of tiny socks to make precious little feet even more precious. All feature Priscilla Gibson-Roberts's short-row heel and toe (Fall 2000 Interweave Knits, page 76) and decorative zigzag bind-off. Worked in washable wool, these socks are easy to care for—an important feature in babywear.



Joe Coca



FINISHED SIZE: About 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ " (12 cm) foot circumference and 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (9 cm) long from back of heel to tip of toe.

YARN: Lorna's Laces Shepherd Sock (80% superwash wool, 20% nylon; 215 yd [196 m]/50 g): 1 skein will make 3 pairs of socks. Shown in #21NS powder blue, # 44NS old rose, and #15NS chino.

NEEDLES: Size 0 (2 mm): set of 4 or 5 double-pointed (dpn). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Markers (m); cable needle (cn); tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 18 sts and 26 rnds = 2" (5 cm) in St st worked in the rnd.

SKILL LEVEL: Experienced.

STITCH GUIDE:

Ssp: Slip 2 sts individually kwise, return these 2 sts to left needle, and purl them tog through their back loops.

Sssp: Slip 3 sts individually kwise, return these 3 sts to left needle, and purl them tog through their back loops.

RUFFLE RIB SOCKS

Leg: CO 88 sts. Distribute sts evenly on 3 or 4 dpn, place marker (pm), and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts. Work ruffle as foll:

Rnds 1, 2, and 3: *K2, p2; rep from *.

Rnd 4: *K2, p2tog; rep from *—66 sts rem.

Rnds 5 and 6: *K2, p1; rep from *.

Rnd 7: *K1, ssk; rep from *—44 sts rem.

Knit 1 rnd even. **Eyelet rnd:** *Yo, k2tog; rep from *. **Next rnd:** *P1, k1; rep from *. Rep the last rnd 15 more times, ending 11 sts before end-of-rnd marker on last rnd. **Heel:** Arrange sts so that the next 22 sts are on one needle for the heel, removing marker as you go (working yarn is at the right edge of these sts)—22 sts total for heel; divide rem 22 sts between 2 needles to be worked later for instep. Work 22 heel sts in short rows as foll:

Row 1: (RS) K21, turn (1 st unworked on left needle).

Row 2: Yo backwards (see Toe and Heel Construction box), p20, turn (1 st unworked).

Row 3: Yo as usual, knit to paired sts made by yo of previous row (the yo will form a loop out of the side of the adjacent st), leaving 3 sts on left needle (i.e., do not work the pair), turn.

Row 4: Yo backwards, purl to paired sts made by the yo of the previous row, turn.

Rep the last 2 rows until there are 11 total sts between yos (9 unpaired sts between yos), ending with a WS row. Turn so RS is facing. Form the heel cup as foll:



Ruffle Rib Socks

Joe Coca

Row 1: (RS) Yo as usual, knit to the paired st made by yo of previous row, k1, (the first st of the pair), correct the mount of the yo (so that the leading edge is on the front of the needle), k2tog (the yo with the first st of the next pair, leaving a yo as the first st on the left needle), turn.

Row 2: (WS) Yo backwards, purl to paired st made by yo of previous row, purl the first st of the pair, ssp (the yo with the first st of the next pair, leaving a yo as the first st on the left needle; see Stitch Guide), turn.

Row 3: Yo, knit to the paired st made by yo of previous row, knit the first st of the pair (the next 2 loops will be yos), correct the mount of each of these yos, k3tog (2 yos with the first st of the next pair), turn.

Row 4: Yo backwards, purl to next yo (the next 2 loops are yos), sssp (2 yos with the first st of the next pair; see Stitch Guide), turn.

Row 5: Yo, knit to next yo (the next 2 loops will be yos), correct the mount of each of these yos, k3tog (2 yos with the first st of the next pair), turn.

Rep the last 2 rows until all yos of heel have been consumed, ending with Row 4. The last turn will bring RS facing—22 sts + 1 yo. **Joining rnd:** Yo, knit to yo at end of needle, place this yo on next needle (first instep needle), k2tog (the yo plus first st of next needle), work to last instep st, place yo at beg of next (heel) needle onto instep needle and work these 2 sts as ssk (last st of rnd plus yo)—44 sts. Rnd begins at beg of sole sts.

Foot: Work even in St st for 16 rnds. **Toe:** Rearrange sts if necessary so that 22 bottom-of-foot (sole) sts are on one dpn. Work toe with short-rows as for heel. After making the last turn, the toe is joined to the top of the foot with a zigzag bind-

off: Place 22 instep sts on 1 dpn and 22 sole sts on another dpn. Holding the 2 needles tog, sl 1 from front needle, p1 from back needle, pass slipped st over purled st, *k1 from front needle, pass slipped st over, p1 from back needle, pass first st over; rep from * until 1 st rem on needle, working last st tog with its accompanying yo. Fasten off.

FINISHING:

Weave in loose ends. Block lightly if desired.

CABLE RIB SOCKS

Leg: CO 44 sts. Distribute sts evenly on 3 or 4 dpn, place marker (pm), and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts. Beg with Rnd 1, work all sts according to Cable Rib chart until a total of 24 rnds have been worked. **Heel:** Working 22 heel sts in St st, work short-row heel as for Ruffle Rib socks.

Foot: Cont working one cable patt along each side of foot as foll: K11, p1, work 2 sts in cable patt as established, p1, k16, p1, work 2 sts in cable patt as established, knit to end. Cont in this manner until Rnds 1–4 of chart have been worked 4 times (16 rnds). **Toe:** Work as for Ruffle Rib socks. *

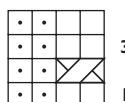
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Cable Rib Socks

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Cable Rib



k on RS; p on WS

p on RS; k on WS

yo

k2tog

ssk

RI/RO: k2tog, then knit first st again, then slip both sts off needle

Toe and Heel Construction

The toe and heel are constructed with short rows that produce an hourglass shape. Each short row begins with a yarnover that is instrumental in preventing gaps. When the knit side is facing, work the yarnover in the usual manner, bringing yarn forward under needle then over the top to the back. When the purl side is facing, bring yarn to the back under needle, then over the top to the front as illustrated here. This forms a “backward” yarnover—the leading side of the loop is on the back of the needle.

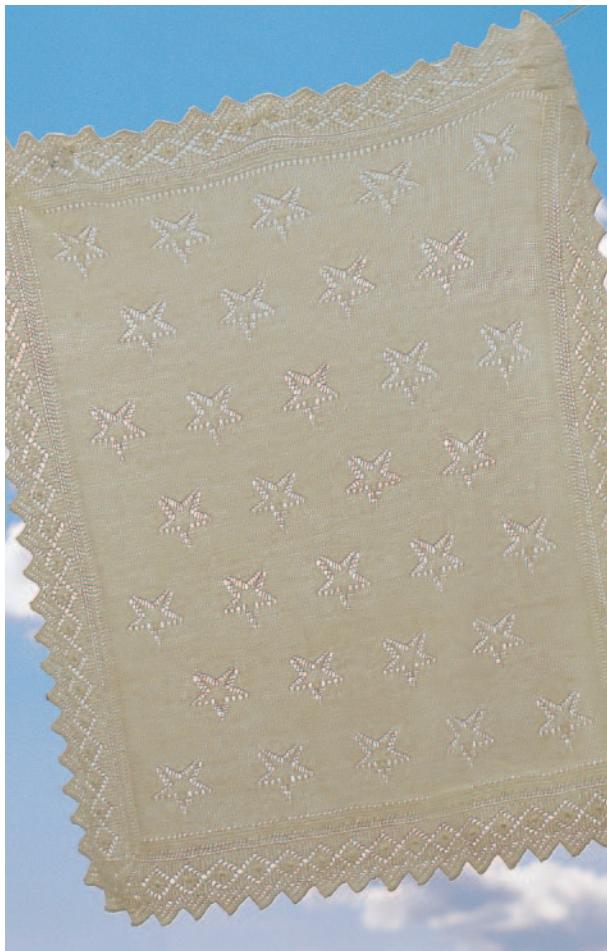


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Star Light, Star Bright Baby Blanket

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When Anna designed this baby blanket she was thinking about the domed ceiling of a church in Bad Homburg, Germany, where her relatives live. Standing under that ceiling, painted dark blue with gold-leaf stars, Anna recalls, "I felt as though I were inside a Fabergé egg." The stars on this blanket, she decided, would represent a kind of blessing for the baby sleeping under them. The star motifs are made by carefully pairing yarnovers with decreases. The spikiness of the sawtooth border mimics the star shape; its laciness offers a subtle delicacy. As with all lace, the motifs look best after they've been blocked.

FINISHED SIZE: About 32" (81.5 cm) wide and 40" (101.5 cm) long.

YARN: Dale of Norway Baby Ull (100% Merino wool; 175 m [191 yd]/50 g): #0010 white, 8 balls. Small amount of contrasting waste yarn.

NEEDLES: Size 2 (2.5 mm). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Row counter; markers (m); stitch holders; tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 28 sts and 36 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st.

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate.

NOTE

To help keep track of the pattern, place a marker at the beginning and end of each star motif. Though there's no top or bottom to this blanket, it is knitted so that the stars are oriented as shown in the chart below.

STITCH GUIDE:**Bordered Stockinette Stitch (bordered St st):**

Row 1: (RS) K3, p2tog, yo, knit to last 5 sts, yo, p2tog, k3.

Row 2: (WS) K5, purl to last 5 sts, k5.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for patt.

BLANKET

CO 181 sts. Work garter st (knit every row) for 7 rows. **Next row:** (RS) K3, *k2tog, yo; rep from * to last 4 sts, k4. Beg with a WS row, work bordered St st for 11 rows, ending with a WS row.

Five-star band:

Row 1: (RS) K3, p2tog, yo, k7, [work Row 1 of Star chart, k13] 4 times, work Row 1 of Star chart, k7, yo, p2tog, k3.

Row 2: (WS) K5, p7, [work Row 2 of Star chart, p13] 4 times, work Row 2 of Star chart, p7, k5.

Rep these 2 rows, working subsequent rows of chart through Row 22, ending with a WS row. Beg with Row 1, work bordered St st for 22 rows, ending with a WS row.

Four-star band:

Row 1: (RS) K3, p2tog, yo, k24, (work Row 1 of Star chart, k13) 3 times, work Row 1 of Star chart, k24, yo, p2tog, k3.

Row 2: (WS) K5, p24, [work Row 2 of Star chart, p13] 3 times, work Row 2 of Star chart, p24, k5.

Rep these 2 rows, working subsequent rows of chart through Row 22, ending with a WS row. Beg with Row 1, work bordered St st for 22 rows, ending with a WS row.

Alternate five- and four-star bands with bordered St st until a total of 4 five-star bands and 3 four-star bands have been worked, ending with a WS row. Work bordered St st for 10 rows, ending with a WS row. **Next row:** (RS) K3, *k2tog, yo; rep from * to last 4 sts, k4. Work garter st for 7 rows. BO all sts.

EDGING

Using the crochet chain method (see Glossary), provisionally CO 19 sts. Work Edging as foll: Work *Rows 1–16 of Edging chart a total of 20 times, work Miter chart, work Rows 1–16 of Edging chart a total of 16 times, work Miter chart. Rep from * once, ending with Row 15. With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, sew edging to blanket. Carefully remove waste yarn from CO edge and graft with garter st (see Glossary) to join live sts from CO edge to live sts from last row of edging, maintaining garter st patt. Weave in loose ends. Block. ☀

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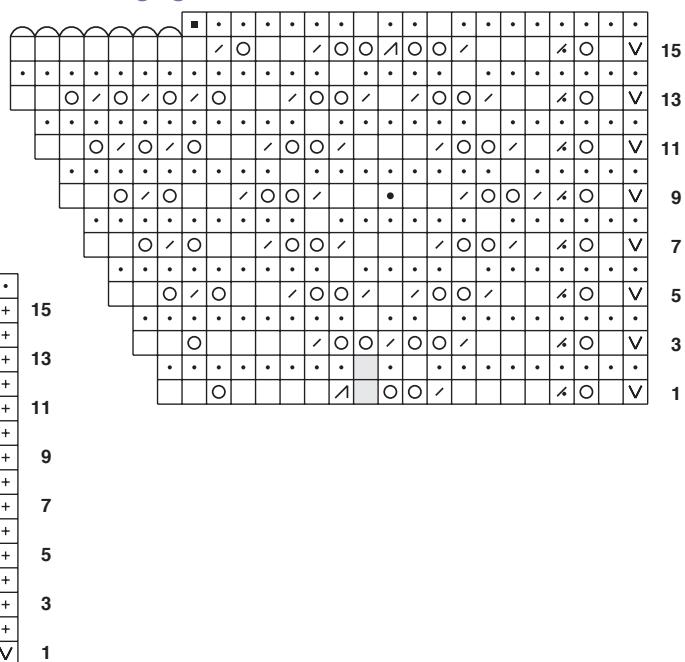
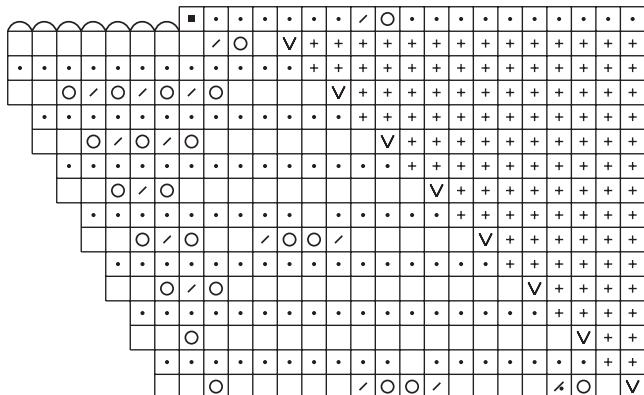
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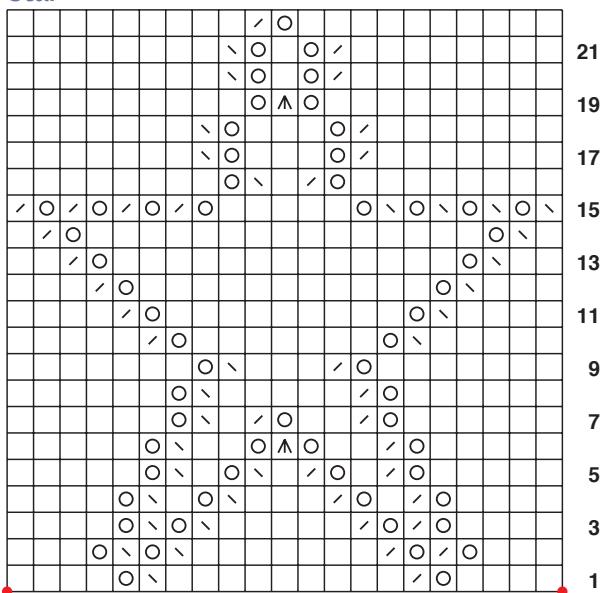
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Blanket edging*Blanket miter*

Short rows: Do not work sts marked '+'.
Repeat pattern 3 times for mitered corner.

Star

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Barnyard Booties

design by Sue Flanders

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Ducks, rabbits, pigs, sheep! Sue Flanders has designed a virtual barnyard for baby's feet. These ingeniously shaped booties, which are about as cute as cute can be, are guaranteed to please parents and baby alike. Ribbing at the ankles helps to assure a snug fit so that the booties will stay put on baby's feet.



Joe Coca

FINISHED SIZE: 3 (3½, 4, 4½)" (7.5 [9, 10, 11.5] cm) foot length. To fit infant shoe size 1 (2, 3, 4). Sheep and bunny shown measure 3½" (9 cm); duck measures 4" (10 cm); pig measures 4½" (11.5) cm.

YARN: Dale of Norway Kolibri (100% cotton; 115 yd [105 m]/50 g). Sheep: #0020 off-white (MC) and #0090 black, 1 ball each. Bunny: #3942 mauve (MC) and #0020 off-white, 1 ball each. Pig: #3102 pink (MC) and #3907 rust, 1 ball each. Duck: #2208 yellow (MC) and #2709 orange, 1 ball each.

NEEDLES: Body—Size 3 (3.25 mm): set of 4 double-pointed (dpn). Ribbing—Size 1 (2.25 mm): set of 5 dpn. Adjust needle sizes if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Markers (m); tapestry needle; small bits of clean fleece or fiberfill for stuffing duck heads.

GAUGE: 28 sts and 34 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st on larger needles.

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate.

SHEEP

SOLE

With larger dpn and MC, CO 10 sts.

Row 1: (WS) Purl.

Row 2: K1, M1, knit to last st, M1, k1–2 sts inc'd.

Row 3: Purl.

For sizes large and extra-large only: Rep Rows 2 and 3 once—12 (12, 14, 14) sts.

For all sizes: Cont in St st until piece measures 2½ (3,

$3\frac{1}{2}$, 4)" (6.5 [7.5, 9, 10] cm), ending with a WS row. ***Next row:** K1, ssk, knit to 3 sts from end, k2tog, k1–2 sts dec'd. Purl 1 row. Rep from * until 8 sts rem, ending with a RS row.

With working yarn and RS facing, pick up and knit 40 (44, 48, 52) sts evenly spaced around perimeter of sole, then k4 of the 8 rem sole sts—48 (52, 56, 60) sts. Place marker (pm) and join into a rnd. Purl 1 rnd, and at the same time, arrange sts so that there are 16 (18, 20, 22) sts each on needles 1 and 3, and 16 sts on needle 2 (bootie front).

FOOT

Knit 4 (5, 6, 7) rnds, ending 2 sts before m on last rnd. **Tail:** Worked on the last 2 sts of needle 3 and first 2 sts of needle 1–4 sts. Work these 4 sts in St st for 8 rows. Fold tail and attach as foll: *Lift purl bump from WS of st 8 rows below current row and place on needle, knit this lifted st tog with st on needle; rep from * 3 more times, knit to end of rnd.

Head: Worked in short rows on the 16 sts on needle 2.

Rnd 1: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k16, turn, p16, turn, [k2tog, yo] 7 times, k2tog, turn, p15, turn, k15, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, knit next 15 sts forming crimps by knitting sts on needle tog with purl bumps from WS of sts 4 rows below as for tail, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Face:

Rnd 1: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k4, join CC and use CC as foll: K7, turn, p7, turn, k7, turn, p7, k7 sts with purl bumps from sts 4 rows below as before, k1 (additional st in CC), turn, sl 1, p8, turn, sl 1, k9, turn, sl 1, p10, turn, sl 1, k11, turn, sl 1, p12, turn, cut off CC and cont with MC only, knit to end of needle 2, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k15, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 3: (Make ears) Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, *[k3, turn, p3, turn] 6 times, knit these 6 sts again while forming crimp as for tail (picking up purl bumps from sts 12 rows below)**, k9, repeat from * to **, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 4: (Make "eyebrows") Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k15, turn, p15, [k2tog, yo] 7 times, k1, turn, p15, turn, k15, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 5: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, knit the next 15 sts while forming crimp with sts 4 rows below, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Rnd 6: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, [k2tog] 4 times, k1, k2tog, [ssk] 4 times, knit to end of rnd. Cut off MC.

Rnd 7: Join CC and knit.

Change to smaller dpn. Work k1, p1 ribbing for 1" (2.5 cm). Change to larger dpn and cont as established for 1" (2.5 cm) more. BO all sts in patt.

FINISHING

Weave in loose ends. With MC, work one fly stitch (see Glossary) for each eye.

BUNNY

Work as for sheep to tail. Using CC instead of MC, work tail as for sheep. **Head:**

Rnd 1: (Make nose) K22 (24, 26, 28), join CC and k2, turn, sl 1, p2, turn, sl 1, k3, turn, sl 1, p3, turn, cut off CC, with MC, knit to end of rnd, placing marker (pm) at center of nose (after 24 [26, 28, 30]th st).

Rnds 2–6: Knit to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, sl m, k1, ssk, knit to end of rnd—38 (42, 46, 50) sts rem after Rnd 6.

Rnds 7–9: Knit.

Rnd 10: Knit to 5 sts before m, [ssk] 2 times, k1, remove m, k1, [k2tog] 2 times, knit to end of rnd. Cut off MC.

Rnd 11: Join CC and knit.

Change to smaller dpn. Work k1, p1 ribbing for 1" (2.5 cm). Change to larger dpn and cont as established for 1" (2.5 cm) more. BO all sts in patt.

FINISHING

Ears: (Make 2) With MC, CO 7 sts. Work St st for 16 rows. Shape top as foll: *Ssk, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. Purl 1 row. Rep from * once more—3 sts rem. Change to CC and work St st for 16 rows. BO all sts. Fold ear in half and sew selvedges tog. With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, sew ears to booties. Weave in loose ends. With CC, work one fly stitch (see Glossary) for each eye and 3 straight stitches for mouth.

PIG

SOLE

Work as for sheep.

FOOT

Rnds 1–3: Knit.

Rnd 4: (Make nose) The nose is worked back and forth in short rows in CC as indicated; all other sts are worked in MC. K23 (25, 27, 29), k2 with CC, k2 with MC, wrap next st (see Glossary), turn, p1 with MC, p4 with CC, p2 with MC, wrap next st, turn, k1 with MC, k6 with CC, k2 with MC (working wrap with wrapped st), wrap next st, turn, p2 with MC, p1 with CC, p1 with MC, p2 with CC, p1 with MC, p1 with CC,

p3 with MC, (working wrap with wrapped st), wrap next st, turn, k3 with MC, k6 with CC, k1 with MC, wrap next st, turn, p2 with MC, p4 with CC, p1 with MC, wrap next st, turn, k2 with MC, k2 with CC, cut off CC, knit to end of rnd with MC (working wraps with wrapped sts).

Rnd 5: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, knit all sts on needle 2, (working wraps with wrapped sts), ssk, knit to end of needle 3—46 (50, 54, 58) sts rem.

Rnd 6: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, [k2tog, k4] 2 times, ssk, k4, ssk, knit to end—42 (46, 50, 54) sts rem.

Rnd 7: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k3, k2tog, k4, ssk, k3, ssk, knit to end—38 (42, 46, 50) sts rem.

Rnd 8: Knit to last 2 sts on needle 1, k2tog, k2, k2tog, k4, ssk, k2, ssk, knit to end—34 (38, 42, 46) sts rem.

Rep Rnd 5 until 26 (28, 30, 32) sts rem. Cut off MC. Join CC and knit 1 rnd. Change to smaller dpn. Work k1, p1 ribbing for 1" (2.5 cm). Change to larger dpn and cont as established for 1" (2.5 cm) more. BO all sts in patt.

FINISHING

Ears: With MC and larger dpn, CO 13 sts.

Row 1: Purl.

Row 2: Ssk, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until 3 sts rem. Purl 1 row. K3tog, cut yarn, fasten off, and work in loose end. Fold CO edges in towards center of ear, and sew to bootie.

Tail: With MC and larger dpn, CO 18 sts. BO all sts as foll: K2tog, *k2tog, pass first st over second; rep from *. Twist into a curl and attach to bootie. Weave in all loose ends. With CC, work French knots (see Glossary) for eyes.

DUCK

SOLE

Work as for sheep.

FOOT

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2: (Inc for tail) K1, M1, knit to last st, M1, k1—2 sts dec'd.

Rep Rnd 1 and 2 two more times—54 (58, 62, 66) sts. **Divide**

for head: K18 (19, 20, 21), place next 18 (20, 22, 24) sts on a length of waste yarn, using the backward loop method (see Glossary) CO 2 sts over the gap, knit to end—38 (40, 42, 44) sts. Rep Rnd 2, then Rnd 1, then Rnd 2 again—42 (44, 46, 48) sts. **Next rnd:** (BO tail sts) Knit to last 5 sts, BO these 5 sts and the first 5 sts of next rnd, knit to end—32 (34, 36, 38) sts rem. Knit 2 rnds. **Next rnd:** Knit, dec 6 (8, 10, 12) sts evenly

spaced—26 (26, 26, 26) sts rem. Cut off MC. Join CC and knit 1 rnd. Change to smaller dpn. Work k1, p1 ribbing for 1" (2.5 cm). Change to larger dpn and cont as established for 1" (2.5 cm) more. BO all sts in patt.

Head: Place held sts evenly onto 3 larger dpn. Join yarn and pick up and knit 2 sts from CO edge to close gap—20 (22, 24, 26) sts.

Rnds 1 and 3: Knit.

Rnd 2: *K2tog; rep from *—10 (11, 12, 13) sts rem.

Rnd 4: *K1f&b; rep from *—20 (22, 24, 26) sts.

Rnds 5–12: Knit.

Rnd 13: *K2tog; rep from *—10 (11, 12, 13) sts rem.

Rnd 14: *K2tog; rep from *, end k0 (1, 0, 1)—5 (6, 6, 7) sts rem. Cut yarn, thread tail through rem sts, pull tight, and fasten off.

FINISHING

Stuff small amount of clean fleece or fiberfill into head. With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, sew neck closed. Sew top of tail closed. **Bill:** With larger dpn and CC, CO 3 sts.

Rows 1 and 3–15: Knit.

Row 2: K1, M1, k1, M1, k1—5 sts.

Row 16: K2tog, k1, ssk—3 sts rem.

BO all sts. Fold in half and sew to head of duck. With CC, work French knots (see Glossary) for eyes. Weave in loose ends. *

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Baby Booties to Knit in the Portuguese Style

design by Andrea Wong

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Andrea Wong's baby booties worked in the Portuguese style of knitting.

Joe Coca

These booties use garter stitch, stockinette stitch, garter ribbing, and yarnover increases. They are knitted flat and seamed down the back of the leg, then along the center of the sole. This easy project will make a sweet gift. If you do not have any expectant mothers in your circle of family and friends, make several pairs for charity.

FINISHED SIZE: About 3½ inches (9 cm) foot length, to fit newborn to 3 months

YARN: Crystal Palace Yarns Panda Superwash, 51% bamboo/39% wool/10% nylon yarn, fingering weight, 186 yards (170 m)/50 g skein, 1 skein of #2209 Saffron

NEEDLES: Size 2 (2.75 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge, tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 7½ sts and 15 rows = 1 inch (2.5 cm) in garter st.

Materials are available at yarn stores or from mail-order or online resources.

INSTRUCTIONS

Notes: The two halves of the cast-on edge will be seamed together along the center of the sole, and the selvedges of the finished piece will be joined at the seam up the back of the leg. To make a yarnover using the Portuguese style of knitting, use your left thumb to flick the yarn over the right needle without working a stitch.

CO 39 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, yo, k18, yo, k1, yo, k18, yo, k1—43 sts.

Rows 2, 4, 6, 8: P.

Row 3: K1, yo, k20, yo, k1, yo, k20, yo, k1—47 sts.

Row 5: K1, yo, k22, yo, k1, yo, k22, yo, k1—51 sts.

Row 7: K1, yo, k24, yo, k1, yo, k24, yo, k1—55 sts.

Row 9: *K1, p1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 10: P.

Rows 11–16: Rep Rows 9 and 10 three more times. Work short rows to shape top of instep as foll:

Row 17: *[K1, p1] 11 times, k10, ssk, turn.

Row 18: Sl 1 as if to p, p9, p2tog, turn.

Row 19: Sl 1 as if to p, k9, ssk, turn.

Rows 20–28: Rep Rows 18 and 19 four more times, then work Row 18 once more.

Row 29 (RS): Sl 1 as if to p, k10, [p1, k1] 8 times—43 sts.

Row 30: P.

Rows 31–47: Work in garter st for 17 rows, beg and ending with a RS row.

Row 48 (WS): *K1, p1; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 49 (RS): P.

Rows 50–57: Rep Rows 48 and 49 four more times; the RS of the garter rib patt corresponds to the WS of the bootie for this section so the RS of the patt will show on the outside when the cuff is folded down.

BO all sts in patt.

FINISHING

Sew seam down back of leg and along center of sole to toe. Fold cuff to outside. Weave in ends. Make second bootie. *

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ABBREVIATIONS

beg—begin(s); beginning
BO—bind off
CC—contrasting color
ch—chain
cir—circular
cn—cable needle
CO—cast on
cont—continue(s); continuing
dec(s) ('d)—decrease(s); decreased; decreasing
dc—double crochet
dpn—double-pointed needle(s)
foll—follow(s); following
inc(s) ('i)—increase(s); increased; increasing
k—knit
k1f&b—knit into the front and back of the same stitch—1 stitch increased
kwise—knitwise; as if to knit
k2tog—knit 2 stitches together
k3tog—knit 3 stitches together
k5tog—knit 5 stitches together
lp(s)—loop(s)
m(s)—marker(s)
MC—main color

M1—make one (increase)
p—purl
p2tog—purl 2 stitches together
p3tog—purl 3 stitches together
p7tog—purl 7 stitches together
patt—pattern(s)
pm—place marker
prev—previous
pss0—pass slipped stitch over
pwise—purlwise; as if to purl
rem—remain(s); remaining
rep(s)—repeat(s); repeating
rnd(s)—round(s)
RS—right side
sc—single crochet
sc2tog—insert hook in next stitch, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (2 loops on hook); insert hook in next stitch, yarn over, pull loop through stitch (3 loops on hook); yarn over and draw yarn through all 3 loops on hook; completed sc2tog—1 stitch decreased
sk—skip

sl—slip
sl st—slip(ped) stitch
sp(s)—space(s)
ssk—slip 1 knitwise, slip 1 knitwise, knit 2 slipped stitches together through back loops (decrease)
ssp—slip 1 knitwise, slip 1 knitwise, purl 2 slipped stitches together through back loops (decrease)
st(s)—stitch(es)
St st—stockinette stitch
tbl—through back loop
tog—together
WS—wrong side
wyb—with yarn in back
wyf—with yarn in front
yo—yarn over
*—repeat starting point
()—alternate measurements and/or instructions
[]—work bracketed instructions a specified number of times

Portuguese Style of Knitting Basics



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

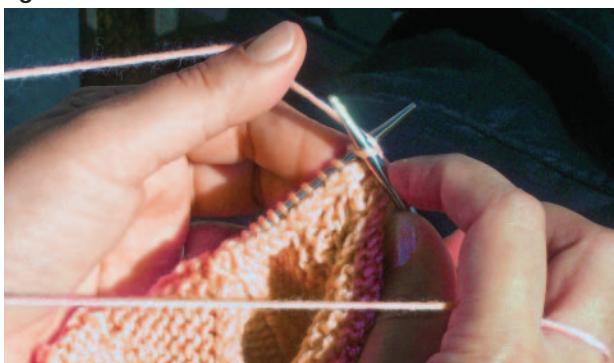


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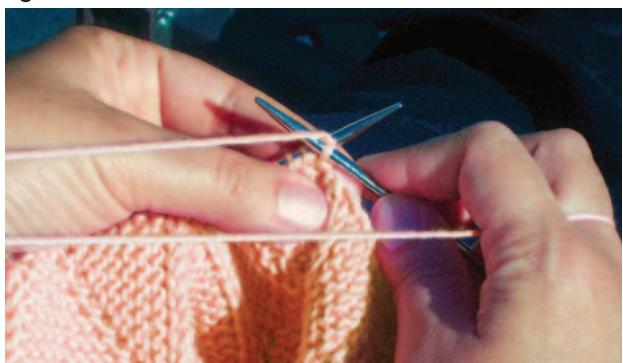


Figure 6

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SET UP

Take needle with stitches in your left hand (LHN) and the empty needle in your right hand (RHN). Pass the yarn coming from the work through the knitting pin, or around your neck, from left to right, and then around your right middle finger.

THE PURL STITCH

Important: The yarn always is below the right-hand needle (RHN) as the starting position for working the purl stitch.

- 1) Insert RHN from right to left as if to purl, into the front loop of the stitch on LHN—the RHN is in front of the LHN as when purling in the conventional manner. See Figure 1.
- 2) Using your left thumb, wrap the yarn over the top of RHN (counterclockwise). See Figure 2.

- 3) Pull stitch through the loop away from you and off the LHN. See Figure 3.

THE KNIT STITCH

Important: The yarn is always on top of the right-hand needle as the starting position for working the knit stitch.

- 1) Insert the RHN from left to right as if to knit into the front loop of the stitch on LHN—the RHN is in front of the LHN as when knitting in the conventional manner. See Figure 4.
- 2) Using your left thumb, wrap the yarn over the top of RHN (counterclockwise). See Figure 5.
- 3) Pull the stitch through the loop toward you and off LHN. See Figure 6.

Origami Baby Kimono

design by Bonnie Franz

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Joe Coca

Honor the birth of a new baby—and the excitement of the parent—with this special kimono jacket that's worked mostly in garter stitch.

FINISHED SIZE: 20 (22, 25, 28)" (51 [56, 63.5, 71] cm) chest circumference, tied. Kimono shown measures 22" (56 cm).

YARN: Classic Elite Believe (77% cotton, 23% rayon; 93 yd [85 m]/50 g); #9192 cerebral sky, 5 (6, 6, 7) balls.

NEEDLES: Size 4 (3.5 mm). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Markers (m); tapestry needle; size D/3 (3.25 mm) crochet hook.

GAUGE: 21 sts and 38 rows = 4" (10 cm) in garter st.

SKILL LEVEL: Beginner.

BODY

Using the long-tail method (see Glossary), CO 53 (58, 66, 74) sts for right front, place marker (pm), CO 53 (58, 66, 74) more sts for back, pm, CO 53 (58, 66, 74) more sts for left front—159 (174, 198, 222) sts total. **Eyelet row:** (RS) *Knit to 2 sts before m, k2tog, yo, slip m, k2tog, yo; rep from *, knit to end. Work even in garter st (knit every row) until piece measures 6 (6, 7, 7)" (15 [15, 18, 18] cm) from beg, ending with a WS row. Work eyelet row as before. **Divide for armholes:** (WS) Knit to first m, join new yarn and work to second m, join new yarn and work to end. **Right front:** Work 53 (58, 66, 74) right front sts in garter st, shaping neck as foll:

Row 1: (RS) K1, k2tog, knit to end—1 st dec'd.

Row 2: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—1 st dec'd.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until 15 (15, 18, 18) sts rem. Cont even in garter st until armhole measures 5 (6, 6, 7)" (12.5 [15, 15, 18] cm). BO all sts. **Back:** Work 53 (58, 66, 74) back sts in garter st until armholes measure 5 (6, 6, 7)" (12.5 [15, 15, 18] cm). BO all sts. **Left front:** Work 53 (58, 66, 74) left front sts in garter st as foll:

Row 1: (RS) Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—1 st dec'd.

Row 2: K1, k2tog, knit to end—1 st dec'd.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until 15 (15, 18, 18) sts rem. Cont even in garter st until armhole measures 5 (6, 6, 7)" (12.5 [15, 15, 18] cm). BO all sts.

SLEEVES

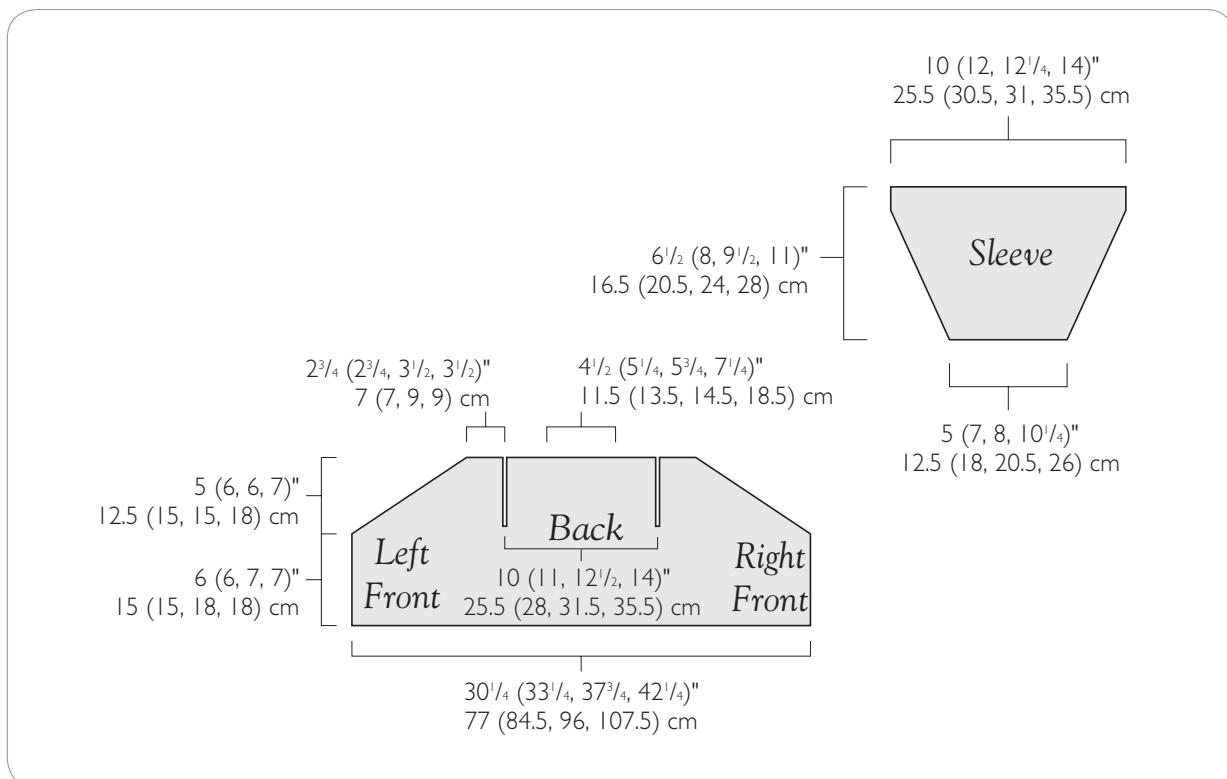
CO 26 (37, 42, 54) sts. Work in garter st, inc 1 st each end of needle every 4 (5, 7, 9) rows 13 (13, 11, 10) times—52 (63, 64, 74) sts. Cont even until piece measures 6½ (8, 9½, 11)" (16.5 [20.5, 24, 28] cm) from beg. BO all sts.

FINISHING

Weave in loose ends. Block pieces to finished measurements. With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, sew shoulder seams. Sew sleeve seams. Sew sleeves into armholes. **Front/neck band:** With RS facing and beg at lower right front, pick up and knit 29 (29, 36, 36) sts to beg of neck shaping, 48 (58, 60, 70) sts along right front neck, 23 (28, 30, 38) sts across back neck, 48 (58, 60, 70) sts along left front neck, and 29 (29, 36, 36) sts to lower edge of left front—177 (202, 222, 250) sts total. On next row, BO all sts. **Ties:** (Make 4) With crochet hook,

ch 60 sts (see Glossary for crochet instructions). Fasten off. Sew center of one tie to each front lower edge, level with first eyelet row, and center of one tie to each front edge at beg of neck shaping, level with second eyelet row. To fasten kimono, lap left front over right (or right over left), thread ties through eyelets, and tie into bows. *

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Cabled Raglan Baby Sweater

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Designer Rebecca Daniels, assistant editor of Interweave Knits, says: "When I think of knitted heirlooms, I think of luxury fibers. This tiny sweater is worked in baby alpaca--luxurious enough to cherish but still affordable. The sweater is simple in construction, with only a few details that enhance the sweater but still allow the yarn to take center stage."

FINISHED SIZE: 19 (21, 23)" chest circumference, to fit 3–6 (9–12, 18–24) months. Sweater shown measures 21".

YARN: Plymouth Yarn Baby Alpaca D. K. (100% baby alpaca; 125 yd [115 m]/50 g;): #100 white, 4 (4, 5) balls.

NEEDLES: Body—size 4 (3.5 mm): 24" circular (cir). Sleeves—size 4 (3.5 mm): set of double-pointed (dpn). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

NOTIONS: Markers (m); cable needle (cn); stitch holders; one 1¼" button; one 21 mm sew-on snap; tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 23 sts and 33 rows = 4" in St st.

SKILL LEVEL: Easy.

STITCH GUIDE:

Eccentric Cable: (worked over 12 [14, 14] sts)

Row 1 and all WS rows: (WS) K2 (3, 3), p8, k2 (3, 3).

Rows 2, 6, 8, 12, 14, and 16: (RS) P2 (3, 3), k8, p2 (3, 3).

Rows 4 and 10: (RS) P2 (3, 3), sl 4 sts to cn and hold in back, k4, k4 from cn, p2 (3, 3).

Row 18: Rep Row 2.

Rep Rows 1–18 for cable.

Notes

- This sweater is worked from the top down in one piece. Sleeves are picked up and worked downward after the body is completed.
- Keep the first and last five stitches in garter stitch throughout for front bands.
- A snap and decorative button are used to close the sweater instead of a functional button and buttonhole.

BODY

Neckband: With cir needle, CO 73 (77, 81) sts. Do not join. Knit 4 rows. **Next row:** (RS) Knit and inc 3 (3, 5) sts evenly across—76 (80, 86) sts. Knit 1 row. **Next row:** Knit and inc 4 (6, 6) sts evenly across—80 (86, 92) sts. **Yoke:** Establish patt and shape raglan:

Row 1: (WS) Purl.

Row 2: (RS) K5 (front band; see Notes), work Row 2 of eccentric cable (see Stitch Guide) over 12 (14, 14) sts, k1f&b, place marker (pm), k1f&b, k8 (8, 10), k1f&b, pm, k1f&b, k22 (24, 26), k1f&b, pm, k1f&b, k8 (8, 10), k1f&b, pm, k1f&b, work Row 2 of cable over 12 (14, 14) sts, k5 (front band)—8 sts inc'd.

Row 3: Keeping front bands in garter st and non-cabled sections in St st, work 1 row in patt.

Row 4: K5, work 12 (14, 14) sts in cable patt, *knit to 1 st before m, k1f&b, sl m, k1f&b; rep from * 3 times, knit to last 17 (19, 19) sts, work 12 (14, 14) sts in cable patt, k5–8 sts inc'd.

Cont in patt and rep last 2 rows 17 (19, 21) more times, ending with a RS row—232 (254, 276) sts total: 62 (68, 74) sts for back, 48 (52, 58) sts for each sleeve, and 37 (41, 43) sts for each front. Work 1 row even. **Divide sleeves and**

body: (RS) Cont in patt, removing markers as you come to them, and work across left front, place sleeve sts on holder, knit across back, place sleeve sts on 2nd holder, work to end—136 (150, 160) sts rem for body. **Body:** Work body as one piece in patt until piece measures 9 (10, 11½)" from CO, measured straight down back, ending with a RS row. Knit 7 rows. BO all sts.

SLEEVES

Places 48 (52, 58) sts of one sleeve on dpn. Beg at underarm, pick up and knit 4 sts along underarm, knit across all sts on dpn, pick up and knit 4 more sts along underarm—56 (60, 66) sts. Pm and join in the rnd. Work even in St st for 2 (2, 3)" from underarm. Purl 1 rnd, knit 1 rnd. Rep last 2 rnds 2 more times, then purl 1 more rnd. BO all sts.

FINISHING

Weave in loose ends, closing any rem gaps in underarm. Block piece to measurements. Sew snap centered on neck and front bands; sew button over snap on RS. *

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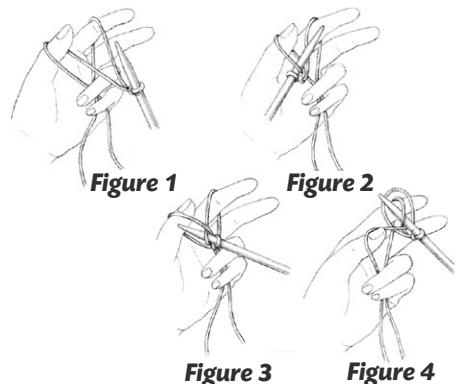
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Glossary

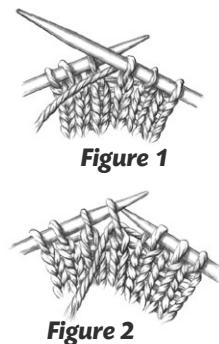
Continental (Long-Tail) Cast-On

Leaving a long tail (about $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 1" [1.3 to 2.5 cm] for each stitch to be cast on), make a slipknot and place on right needle. Place thumb and index finger of left hand between yarn ends so that working yarn is around index finger and tail end is around thumb. Secure ends with your other fingers and hold palm upwards, making a V of yarn (Figure 1). Bring needle up through loop on thumb (Figure 2), grab first strand around index finger with needle, and go back down through loop on thumb (Figure 3). Drop loop off thumb and, placing thumb back in V configuration, tighten resulting stitch on needle (Figure 4).



Short Rows: Wrapping a Stitch

Work to turn point, slip next stitch purlwise to right needle. Bring yarn to front (Figure 1). Slip same stitch back to left needle (Figure 2). Turn work and bring yarn in position for next stitch, wrapping the stitch as you do so. **Note:** Hide wraps in a knit stitch when right side of piece is worked in a knit stitch. Leave wrap if the purl stitch shows on right side. Hide wraps as follows: **Knit stitch:** On right side, work to just before wrapped stitch. Insert right needle from front, under the wrap from bottom up, and then into wrapped stitch as usual. Knit them together, making sure new stitch comes out under wrap. **Purl stitch:** On wrong side, work to just before wrapped stitch. Insert right needle from back, under wrap from bottom up, and put on left needle. Purl them together.



Lazy-Daisy Stitch

With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, bring the needle out from back to front at the center of a knitted stitch. *Form a short loop and insert needle back where it came out. Bring the needle from back to front inside the formed loop and pass it to the back outside the loop, securing the loop to the knitted fabric (Figure 1). Beginning each stitch at the same point on the knitted background, repeat from * several times to form a flower (Figure 2), or work singly to create a leaf. Lazy daisy stitch looks effective as self-colored embroidery or in contrast colors, using up remnants of yarn.

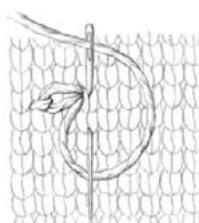


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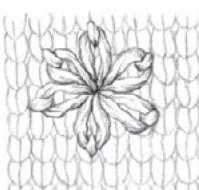


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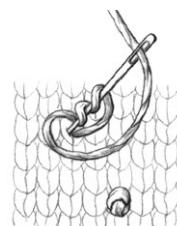
Backward Loop Cast-On

*Loop working yarn and place it on needle backward so that it doesn't unwind. Repeat from *.



French Knot

Bring needle out of knitted background from back to front, wrap yarn around needle one to three times, and use thumb to hold in place while pulling needle through wraps into background a short distance from where it came out.



Glossary

Pom-Pom

Cut two circles of cardboard, each $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.3 cm) larger than desired finished pom-pom width. Cut a small circle out of the center and a small edge out of the side of each circle (Figure 1). Tie a strand of yarn between the circles, hold circles together and wrap with yarn—the more wraps, the thicker the pom-pom. Cut between the circles and knot the tie strand tightly (Figure 2). Place pom-pom between two smaller cardboard circles held together with a needle and trim the edges (Figure 3). This technique comes from *Nicky Epstein's Knitted Embellishments*, Interweave Press, 1999.



Figure 1



Figure 2

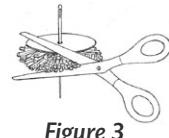
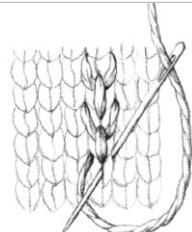


Figure 3



Fly Stitch

*Bring threaded needle out from back to front at upper left corner of a knitted stitch. Insert needle a short distance away, forming a loop, and back out between the previous two stitches, holding loop below needle tip as it comes out. Repeat from *.

Crochet Chain (ch)

Make a slipknot on hook. Yarn over hook and draw it through loop of slipknot. Repeat, drawing yarn through the last loop formed.



Slip Stitch Crochet (sl st)

Insert hook into stitch, yarn over hook and draw loop through stitch and loop on hook.



Crochet Chain (Provisional) Cast-On

With waste yarn and crochet hook, make a loose chain of about four stitches more than you need to cast on. With needle, working yarn, and beginning two stitches from end of chain, pick up and knit one stitch through the back loop of each crochet chain (Figure 1) for desired number of stitches. Work the piece as desired, and when you're ready to work in the opposite direction, pull out the crochet chain to expose live stitches (Figure 2).

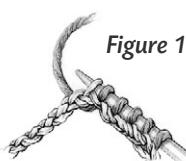


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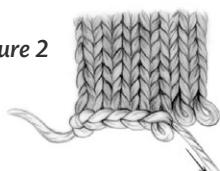


Figure 2

Single Crochet (sc)

Insert hook into an edge stitch, yarn over hook and draw a loop through stitch, yarn over hook (Figure 1) and draw it through both loops on hook (Figure 2).

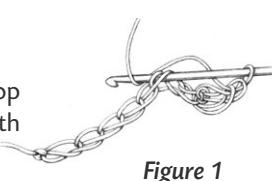


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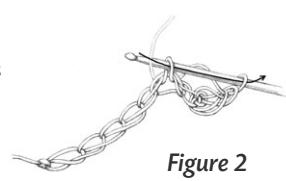


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