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# knitting

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Baby Hugs™ Medium:** 2 (2, 2, 3) balls 4012 Ink **A**, 1 (1, 1, 1) ball 4825 Blue **B**

**Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:** 5 mm [US 8]

Two stitch holders, five stitch markers, five ¾" [19 mm] buttons, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 16 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 32 rows = 4" [10 cm], in Garter stitch (knit every row). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

# Cute & Classic Baby Cardigan

*Your little guy will enjoy being able to move freely in a soft, comfy sweater. Knitting it with this tested yarn helps ensure his comfort.*

Directions are for size 6 months. Changes for sizes 12 months, 18 months and 24 months are in parentheses.

**Finished Chest:** 20 (22, 24, 26)" [51 (56, 61, 66) cm]
**Finished Length:** 10 (11½, 14, 16½)" [25.5 (29, 35.5, 42) cm]

## Special Stitch

**kfb (Knit into front and back) =** Knit next stitch but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same stitch and remove from needle.

## Pattern Stitch

**1x1 Rib (over odd number of sts)**
**Row 1 (right side):** K1, *p1, k1; repeat from * to end of row.
**Row 2:** Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts to end of row.
Repeat Row 2 for 1x1 Rib.

## Notes

1. Body is worked in one piece from lower edge to underarms. Piece is then divided and fronts and back worked separately to shoulders.
2. Stitches for sleeves are picked up along armhole edges of upper body then sleeves are knit down to cuffs.
3. If preferred, use a circular needle. Work back and forth on circular needle as if working with straight needles. A circular needle may be particularly helpful when knitting the sleeves.
4. Pockets are worked separately and sewn to Cardigan.

## BODY

With **A**, cast on 79 (87, 95, 103) sts.
Work in 1x1 Rib until piece measures about ½" [1.5 cm] from beginning.
**Next Row (increase):** K39 (43, 47, 51), kfb, knit to end of row—80 (88, 96, 104) sts.
Work in Garter st (knit every row) until piece measures about 6 (7, 9, 11)" [15 (18, 23, 28) cm] from beginning.

**Dividing Row (right side):** K16 (18, 20, 22) and place these sts on a holder for right front, bind off 8 sts for underarm, knit until you have 32 (36, 40, 44) sts on right needle then place these sts on a holder for back, bind off 8 sts for underarm, knit to end of row for left front—16 (18, 20, 22) sts remain on needle for left front.

## Left Front

Work over 16 (18, 20, 22) left front sts only.
Work in Garter st until left front measures about 2 (2½, 3, 3½)" [5 (6.5, 7.5, 9) cm] from dividing row, end with a right side row.

## Shape Left Neck

**Row 1 (wrong side):** Bind off 4 sts, knit to end of row—12 (14, 16, 18) sts.
**Row 2:** Knit.
**Row 3:** Bind off 2 sts, knit to end of row—10 (12, 14, 16) sts.
**Rows 4 and 5:** Repeat Rows 2 and 3—8 (10, 12, 14) sts in Row 5.
Work even in Garter st until left front measures about 4 (4½. 5, 5½)" [10 (11.5, 12.5, 14) cm] from dividing row. Bind off.

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## Back

Return the 32 (36, 40, 44) back sts to needles and join **A**, ready to work a wrong side row.

Work even in Garter st until back measures same as left front. Bind off.

## Right Front

Return 16 (18, 20, 22) right front sts to needles and join **A**, ready to work a wrong side row.

Work in Garter st until right front measures same as left front to neck, end with a wrong side row.

## Shape Right Neck

**Row 1 (right side):** Bind off 4 sts, knit to end of row—12 (14, 16, 18) sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

**Row 3:** Bind off 2 sts, knit to end of row—10 (12, 14, 16) sts.

**Rows 4 and 5:** Repeat Rows 2 and 3—8 (10, 12, 14) sts in Row 5.

Work even in Garter st until right front measures same as back. Bind off.

Sew shoulder seams.

## SLEEVES (work 2)

**Note:** Pick up stitches along armhole edges of front and back only. Leave the bound-off underarm sts unworked.

**Row 1 (right side):** With right side facing and **A**, pick up and k33 (37, 41, 45) sts evenly spaced along armhole edges between lower back and lower front corners of armhole, leaving bound-off underarm sts unworked.

Work in Garter st for 7 rows.

**Decrease Row:** K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—31 (35, 39, 43) sts.

Repeat last 8 rows 3 (5, 7, 9) more times—25 sts.

Work even in Garter st until piece measures about 5½ (7, 8½, 10)" [14 (18, 21.5, 25.5) cm]. Work in 1x1 Rib for about ½" [1.5 cm]. Bind off.

Repeat along other armhole edges for 2nd sleeve.

## POCKETS (make 2)

With **B**, cast on 12 (12, 14, 14) sts.
Work in Garter st for 24 rows.
Bind off.

## FINISHING

### Neck Edging

With right side facing and **A**, pick up and k49 sts evenly spaced around neck edge. Work in 1x1 Rib for about ¾" [2 cm]. Bind off.

Place five stitch markers along right front edge if you are making the cardigan for a boy and along left front edge if you are making the cardigan for a girl. Place first marker about ½" [13 mm] below neck edge. Place fifth marker about ½" [13 mm] above lower edge. Space remaining 3 stitch markers evenly between the first and fifth.

### Front Band

With right side facing and **A**, pick up and k37 (45, 53, 61) sts evenly spaced along unmarked front edge.
Work in 1x1 Rib for about ¾" [2 cm]. Bind off.

## Button Band

With right side facing and **A**, pick up and k37 (45, 53, 61) sts evenly spaced along marked front edge.

Work in 1x1 Rib for 2 rows.

**Buttonhole Row:** [Work in 1x1 Rib to marker, yo, k2tog (buttonhole made)] 5 times, work in 1x1 Rib to end of row.

Work in 1x1 Rib until ribbing measures about ¾" [2 cm]. Bind off.

Sew buttons to front band, opposite buttonholes.

Sew side edges of top of sleeves to bound-off underarm sts then sew sleeve seams.

Sew pockets to fronts, about 2 or 3 rows above lower ribbing and 2 or 3 sts from front ribbing.

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**A** and **B** = Color A and Color B; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

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[20.5 (23, 25.5, 28) cm]

2 (2½, 3, 3½)"
[5 (6.5, 7.5, 9) cm]

4 (4½, 5, 5½)"
[10 (11.5, 12.5, 14) cm]

2"
[5 cm]

Left Front

Back

Right Front

10 (11½, 14, 16½)"
[25.5 (29, 35.5, 42) cm]

BODY

6 (7, 9, 11)"
[15 (18, 23, 28) cm]

20 (22, 24, 26)"
[51 (56, 61, 66) cm]

8¼ (9¼, 10¼, 11¼)"
[21 (23.5, 26, 28.5) cm]

SLEEVE

6 (7½, 9, 10½)"
[15 (19, 23, 26.5) cm]

6¼"
[16 cm]