



LW5801



knitting

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Baby Hugs™
Medium: 1 (1, 2, 2) balls
4410 Dolphin

Susan Bates® Knitting
Needles: 4.5mm [US 7]
and 5mm [US 8]

Susan Bates® split lock
stitch markers

Stitch holders, yarn
needle

**GAUGE: 16 sts and 32
rows = 4"** in Garter st
(knit every row) with
larger needles. **CHECK
YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size
needles to obtain the gauge.

BUY YARN



**RED HEART® Baby
Hugs™ Medium,**
Art E404, Oeko-
Tex Certified 100% Acrylic
baby yarn available in
solid color 4.5 oz (127 g)
247 yds (225 m) balls



Baby's Play Vest

This knit vest is perfect for a baby or toddler as it adds warmth without restricting movement and active play. This quality yarn has been tested and certified free of over 300 harmful substances--perfect for keeping baby happy!

**This pattern has been updated on
11-6-17.**

**Vest measures 21½ (23½, 24½, 26½)"
(54.5 (59.5, 62, 67.5) cm) around chest
and 11 (12, 13, 14½)" (28 (30.5, 33, 37)
cm) in length.**

SPECIAL STITCHES

ssk (slip, slip, knit) = slip next two sts
knitwise to right needle, insert point
of left needle through front of sts, knit
these sts together through back loop.
Directions are for size 6 month; changes
for sizes 12, 18 and 24 months are in
parentheses.

BACK

With smaller needles, cast on 45 (49, 53,
63) sts.

Row 1 (right side): * K1, p1; repeat from *
to last st, k1.

Row 2: * P1, k1; repeat from * to last st,
p1.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until piece measures
1 (1, 1¼, 1¼)" (2.5 (2.5, 3, 3) cm), ending
after a wrong side row.

Change to larger needles and work in
Garter st until piece measures 5½ (6¼,
7, 8)" (14 (16, 18, 20.5) cm) from cast on
edge, ending after a wrong side row.

Shape Armholes

Bind off 2 (2, 3, 4) sts at beginning
of next 2 rows, then 2 (2, 2, 3) sts at
beginning of next 2 rows - 37 (41, 43,
49) sts.

Next row (dec row, right side): K1, ssk,
knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 - 35 (39, 41,
47) sts.

Repeat this dec every right side row 1 (2,
1, 1) more time(s) - 33 (35, 39, 45) sts.
Knit evenly until armhole measures
5 (5¼, 5½, 6)" (12.5 (13.5, 14, 15) cm),
ending after a wrong side row.

Shape Back Neck and Shoulders

Next row (right side): K10 (10, 11, 13),
turn work.

Work across these sts only for right
shoulder.

Knit 1 row.

Next row (dec row, right side): Knit to
last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 - 9 (9, 10, 12) sts.

Knit 1 row, then bind off all sts.

With right side facing, join new yarn
to remaining 23 (25, 28, 32) sts still on
needle.

Next row (right side): Bind off center 13
(15, 17, 19) sts, knit to end - 10 (10, 11, 13)
sts for left shoulder.

Knit 1 row.

Next row (dec row, right side): K1, ssk,
knit to end - 9 (9, 10, 12) sts.

Knit 1 row, then bind off all sts.

FRONT

Work same as Back to armhole shaping.

Shape Armhole and V-neck - Left Front

Row 1 (right side): Bind off 2 (2, 3, 4)
sts, k20 (22, 23, 27), place next st on a
holder or removable marker, turn work -
20 (22, 23, 27) sts.

Rows 2, 4, 6, and 8: Knit.

Row 3: Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3) sts, knit to
end - 18 (20, 21, 24) sts.

**Row 5 (armhole and neck dec row, right
side):** K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1
- 16 (18, 19, 22) sts.

**Row 7 (armhole decrease row, right
side):** K1, ssk, knit to end - 15 (17, 18, 21)
sts.

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Size 12 months only:

Row 9: Repeat Row 5 – 15 sts.

Rows 10-12: Knit.

Row 13: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 14 sts.

Sizes 18 months (24 months) only:

Row 9 (neck decrease row, right side): Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 17 (20) sts.

Rows 10-12: Knit.

Row 13: Repeat Row 9 – 16 (19) sts.

Repeat Rows 10-13 for 0 (1) more time(s) – 16 (18) sts.

All Sizes:

Next 5 rows: Knit.

Next row (neck decrease row, right side): Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 14 (13, 15, 17) sts.

Repeat this neck decrease every 6 rows 5 (4, 5, 5) more times – 9 (9, 10, 12) sts.

Knit evenly until armhole measures same as Back to shoulders.

Bind off.

Shape Armhole and V-Neck – Right Front

With right side facing, join yarn to 22 (24, 26, 31) sts still on the needle.

Row 1 (right side): Knit.

Row 2: Bind off 2 (2, 3, 4) sts, knit to end – 20 (22, 23, 27) sts.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: Bind off 2 (2, 2, 3) sts, knit to end – 18 (20, 21, 24) sts.

Row 5 (armhole and neck dec row, right side): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 16 (18, 19, 22) sts.

Row 6: Knit.

Row 7 (armhole decrease row, right side): Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 15 (17, 18, 21) sts.

Size 12 months only:

Row 8: Knit.

Row 9: Repeat Row 5 – 15 sts.

Rows 10-12: Knit.

Row 13: K1, ssk, knit to end – 14 sts.

Sizes 18 months (24 months) only:

Row 8: Knit.

Row 9 (neck decrease row, right side): K1, ssk, knit to end – 17 (20) sts.

Rows 10-12: Knit.

Row 13: Repeat Row 9 – 16 (19) sts.

Repeat Rows 10-13 for 0 (1) more time(s) – 16 (18) sts.

All Sizes:

Next 5 rows: Knit.

Next row (neck decrease row, right side): K1, ssk, knit to end – 14 (13, 15, 17) sts.

Repeat this neck dec every 6 rows 5 (4, 5, 5) more times – 9 (9, 10, 12) sts.

Knit evenly until armhole measures same as Back to shoulders.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew right shoulder seam.

V-Neck Edging

With right side facing, using smaller needles and starting at left shoulder, pick up and knit 20 (22, 24, 26) sts down left front neck, place marker on needle, k1 from holder at center neck, pick up and knit 19 (21, 23, 25) sts up right front neck, and 18 (20, 20, 22) sts across back neck – 58 (64, 68, 74) sts.

Row 1 (wrong side): Purl.

Row 2: * K1, p1; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, ssk, slip marker, k1, k2tog, ** p1, k1; repeat from ** to last st, p1.

Row 3: Knit the knits and p the purls as they appear.

Row 4: Work in rib to 2 sts before marker, ssk, slip marker, k1, k2tog, work in rib to end.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until edging measures 1 (1, 1¼, 1¼)" (2.5 (2.5, 3, 3) cm).

Bind off all sts in rib pattern.

Sew left shoulder seam, including neck edging.

Armhole Edging

With right side facing and using smaller needles, pick up 53 (55, 57, 61) sts evenly spaced around armhole.

Row 1 (wrong side): Purl.

Row 2: * K1, p1; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Row 3: * P1, k1; repeat from * to last st, p1.

Repeat Rows 2 & 3 until rib measures 1 (1, 1¼, 1¼)" (2.5 (2.5, 3, 3) cm).

Bind off all sts in rib pattern.

Work other armhole edging the same.

Sew side seams, including armhole edging.

Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

dec = decrease; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es); *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

See next page for chart and alternate photos



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