

BABY PARTRIDGE VEST

MATERIALS

- 1 (1, 2, 2) Schaefer Chris (80% extrafine merino wool superwash, 20% nylon; 215 yards, 113 grams). Shown in Patsy Mink.
- 24" circular, US 8/5mm, or size to obtain gauge
- 24" circular, US 6/4mm, or size to obtain gauge
- 16" circular, US 6/4mm, or size to obtain gauge
- ring markers
- scrap yarn

SIZE

3-6 mos. (12-18 mos., 2yr, 3yr)

GAUGE

5 sts & 8 rows = 4" in Cartridge Rib pattern, slightly stretched, on larger needles



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NOTES

- The vest is worked in the round up to the armholes, to then be worked flat
- When working on the front & back, knit the selvage sts in Stockinette stitch
- When binding off, bind off RS sts knitwise and WS stitches purlwise

Body

Using smaller needles, cast on 88 (96, 108, 116) sts

Join without twisting and work in k1, p1 rib for 1 (1, 1½, 1½)"

On last round, place a marker after working 44 (48, 54, 58) sts to divide for front and back

Switch to larger needles and begin as follows:

Row 1: (k1, p1) twice, k3, *sl1 wyif, k3; rep from * to 6 sts before marker, ending with k3, p1, k1, p1

Row 2: k1, p1, k1, p2, *sl1 wyib, p3; rep from * to 4 sts before marker, ending with p2, k1, p1

Rep Rows 1 & 2 until body measures 7 (8, 8½, 9)" from cast-on edge

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Armholes

Place the 44 (48, 54, 58) sts just worked between markers onto scrap yarn

Working flat on the back of the vest from this point:

Bind off 3 (4, 4, 5) sts at beg of next 2 rows

Work even in pattern until armhole measures 3½ (4, 4½, 4¾)" from beg of armhole shaping

Left Shoulder

Work 10 (10, 11, 11) sts, join a new ball of yarn and bind off 18 (20, 24, 26) sts, work rem 10 (10, 11, 11) sts in pattern

Next row (WS): BO 3 (3, 4, 4) sts, work in pattern to end

Next Row (RS): Work in pattern to end

Rep these two rows once more then BO 4 (4, 4, 4) sts

Break yarn

Rejoin yarn and work right shoulder same as for left shoulder, reversing shaping

Front

Rejoin yarn to armhole edge and bind off 3 (4, 4, 5) sts at beg of next 2 rows

Work neck shaping as follows:

Setup row 1 (RS): Work 16 (17, 20, 21) sts, k2tog, k1, turn

Dec row 1 and every WS row: Work in patt as set

Dec row 2 and every RS row: Work in patt to last 3 sts before neck edge and dec 1 st as for setup row, turn

Rep rows 1 & 2 until there are 10 (10, 11, 11) sts for shoulder. Work even in patt until armhole measures 3½ (4, 4½, 4¾)" from beg of armhole shaping, ending with a WS row

Left Shoulder Shaping

Next row (RS): BO 3 (3, 4, 4) sts, work in patt to end

Next Row (WS): Work in patt to end

Rep these two rows once more then BO 4 (4, 4, 4) sts

Break yarn

Rejoin yarn to right front neck edge and work same as for left front neck edge, reversing shaping

Neckline & Armhole Ribbing

Using a 16" circular needle in smaller size, beginning at middle of neckline, pick up 3 sts for every 4 sts along right neck edge, pick up 18 (20, 24, 26) sts for back of neck, and pick up 3 sts for every 4 rows along left neck edge. Work in k1, p1 rib for 1"

Bind off

Using double-pointed needles in smaller size, pick up 3 sts for every 4 rows around each armhole edge and work in k1, p1 rib for ½"

Bind off

Block and weave in ends