

# Cable-edged Baby Bib

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## Project Requirements

<i>Yarn</i>	Rowan handknit cotton (100% cotton), 1 skein.
<i>Needles</i>	Size 6 (4 mm) 16 in circular needle. 3.5 mm crochet hook. Cable needle.
<i>Notions</i>	Markers, tapestry needle, 2 buttons.
<i>Gauge</i>	20 sts and 28 rows = 4" (10 cm).

## Pattern Description

This pattern is knit from the bottom-up. You begin with a provisional cast-on and knit the cable pattern for the width of the bib. Then, on the next right-side row, you knit across the cable pattern, pick up and knit stitches along one edge, remove the provisional cast-on and knit those caston stitches in the cable pattern. Now, you're set up for knitting the body of the bib, which has three parts: right cabled edge (shown below as Chart A), stockinette panel, left cabled edge (shown below as Chart B).

The first few rows of the body uses short rows to shape a small curve at the bottom corners of the bib. After the short rows, you continue to knit the three parts of the body in the established pattern, adding some decreases to shape the top of the stockinette panel. Then, you bind-off center stitches of the stockinette panel for the neck and continue knitting the edge stitches in the cable pattern to create buttonhole and button bands to clasp around the baby's neck.

*Finished Size* About 7" (18 cm) wide at the widest point and 5.5" (14 cm) tall for the body. The button band extends another 5.5" (14 cm) and the buttonhole band 4.5" (11.5 cm).

## Notes

For the provisional cast-on, I used a crochet hook and waste yarn to chain 12. Then, using the project yarn, I picked up 8 stitches from the backs of the chain.

## Stitch Guide

**C4F** Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold to front of work, k2, k2 from cable needle.

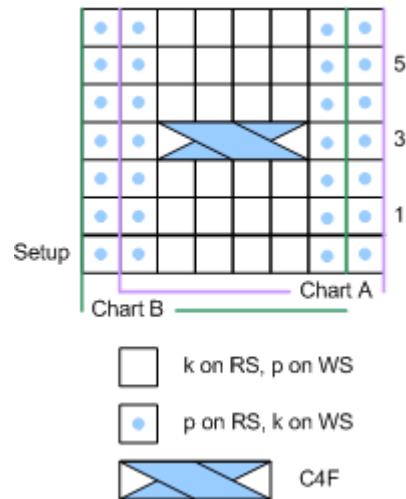
**k2tog tbl** Knit 2 sts together through the back loop. Insert the right-hand needle through the back loops of the next 2 sts and knit them together.

**p2tog tbl** Purl 2 sts together through the back

loop. Insert the right-hand needle through the back loops of the next 2 sts and purl them together.

## Instructions

### Cable Chart



## Bottom

Use a provisional caston method to CO 8 sts. Begin with the Setup Row (WS) of the cable chart, then repeat Rows 1-6 of the cable chart 7 times.

*Next Row (RS)* Beginning with Row 1 of of the cable chart, knit in pattern across 6 sts, p2tog (this sets up the first 7 sts for Chart A), pm. Pick up and knit 29 sts evenly across the edge, pm. Remove the waste yarn on your provisional caston and slip these sts onto the left needle. P2tog, (this sets up the last 7 sts for Chart B), and following the last 6 sts of Row 1 of the cable chart, knit in pattern across the last 6 sts. (43 sts)

### Short row shaping

*Next Row (WS)* K in pattern (you should be at Row 2 of Chart B) across first 7 sts, sm, p across stockinette panel to last 11 sts, yo, turn.

*Next Row (RS)* K to last 11 sts, yo, turn.

*Next Row (WS)* P to yo, p2tog tbl<sup>1</sup>, p1, yo, turn.

*Next Row (RS)* K to yo, k2tog, k1, yo, turn.

*Next Row (WS)* P to yo, p2tog tbl, p1, sm, follow Row 2 of Chart A.

*Next Row (RS)* Follow Row 3 of Chart A to m, sm, k to yo, k2tog, k1, sm, follow Row 3 of Chart B.

then follow the Cable Chart to Row 5.

*Next Row (WS)* K2, p2, yo, p2, k2. (9 sts)

*Next Row (RS)* P2, k1, k2tog, k2, p2. (8 sts)

*Next Row (WS)* K2, p4, k2.

*Next Row (RS)* P all.

*Next Row (WS)* K all.

BO all sts.

## Body

Continue in the established pattern for 11 rows, ending with WS. Dec row Follow Chart A, sm, ssk, k to 2 sts before next m, k2tog, sm, follow Chart B to end. K 3 rows even in pattern. Repeat last 4 rows 2 more times. (37 sts)

## Bind-off for neck

*Row 24 (RS)* Chart A, sm, ssk, k2, bind off 15 sts (there should be 3 sts unworked before next m), k1, k2tog, sm, Chart B.

## Button band

*Next Row (WS)* Follow Chart B to end.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next and following alternate rows until 8 sts are left. Remove m. Now, you will return to following the full Cable Chart. Repeat Rows 1-6 of Cable Chart 4 (5) times, then Repeat Rows 1-2 once more.

*Next Row (RS)* P all.

*Next Row (WS)* K all.

BO all sts.

## Buttonhole band

Join in yarn on WS, p3, sm, follow Chart A to end.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on next and following alternate row until 8 sts are left.

Remove m. Follow the full Cable Chart.

Repeat Rows 1-6 of the Cable Chart 3 (4) times,

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<sup>1</sup>For WS of short-rows, before I p2tog tbl, I usually setup the stitches: pass the yo to the right needle, turn the next st on the left needle (without twisting), pass the yo st back to the left needle.

## Finishing

Weave in loose ends. Sew on the two buttons. I placed them in the center of the last two cables. Block lightly and try it on a baby!