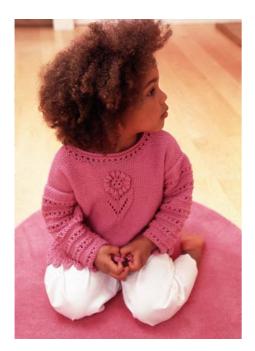# Lacy Sweater

We are pleased to feature this lovely pattern from Zoe Mellor's new book 'Adorable Knits For Tiny Tots'.

Pretty without being fussy or frilly, this sweater's lacy edging picks up on the flower motif. It looks great worn with simple linen trousers.

MATERIALS
6(6:7:7) 50g balls of Rowan Handknit DK Cotton in pink/Sugar 303
Pair each of 3 ¾mm(US 5) and 4mm (US 6) knitting needles

MEASUREMENTS

To fit	mths		yrs	
	6–12	1–2	2–3	3–4

Actual measurements

Chest	56	61	66	71	cm
	22	24	26	28	in
Length	33	36	39	41	cm
	13	14	15¼	16¼	in
Sleeve seam	18	21	23	27	cm
	7	8¼	9	10½	in

TENSION
20 sts and 28 rows to 10cm/4in over reverse st-st using 4mm(US 6) needles.

ABBREVIATIONS
alt alternate; **beg** beginning; **cm** centimetre(s); **cont** continu(e)(ing); **dec** decrease; **foll** follow(s)(ing); **in** inch(es); **inc** increase; **k** knit; **kfb** k into front and back of next st; **MB** (make bobble) [k1, p1, k1, p1, k1] into next st, turn, p5, turn, pass 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th sts over first st and k this st tbl; **p** purl; **patt** pattern; **pfb** p into front and back of next st; **psso** pass slipped st over; **rem** remaining; rep repeat; **RS** right side; **skpo** sl 1, k1, pass slipped st over; **sl** slip; **st**(s) stitch(es); **st-st** stocking/stockinette stitch; **tbl** through back of loops; **tog** together; **WS** wrong side; **yf** (**yarn forward**) bring yarn forward between needles and over right needle to make a st; **yo** (**yarn over needle**) take yarn over right needle to make a st; **yrn** (**yarn round needle**) wrap yarn around right needle from front to back and bring to front again between needles to make a st; **ytf** (**yarn to front**) bring yarn to front of work

STITCH PATTERNS
Diagonal edging
Worked over 8 sts.
1st foundation row (RS) K6, kfb, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 9 sts.
2nd foundation row (WS) K1tbl, k1, [yf, skpo, k1] twice, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 9 sts.
1st row K1tbl, k to last st, kfb, turn and cast on 2 sts. 12 sts.
2nd row K1, kfb, k2, [yf, skpo, k1] twice, yf, k1, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 14 sts.
3rd row K1tbl, k to last 2 sts, kfb, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 15 sts.
4th row K1tbl, kfb, k2, [yf, skpo, k1] 3 times, k1, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 16 sts.
5th row K1tbl, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. 15 sts.
6th row Sl 1 purlwise, k1, psso, skpo, k4, [yf, skpo, k1] twice, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 13 sts.
7th row K1 tbl, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. 12 sts.
8th row Cast/bind off 3 sts, k2, yf, skpo, k1, yf, skpo, ytf, sl 1 purlwise. 9 sts.
The last 8 rows form the patt and are repeated.

Flower motif
Worked on a background of reverse st-st over 15 sts.
1st row (RS) P5, k2, p1, k2, p5.
2nd row K5, p2, k1, p2, k5.
3rd row P4, k2tog, k1, yrn, p1, yo, k1, skpo, p4.
4th row K4, p3, k1, p3, k4.
5th row P3, k2tog, k1, yf, k1, p1, k1, yf, k1, skpo, p3.
6th row K3, p4, k1, p4, k3.
7th row P2, k2tog, k1, yf, k2, p1, k2, yf, k1, skpo, p2.
8th row K2, p5, k1, p5, k2.
9th row P1, k2tog, k1, yf, k3, p1, k3, yf, k1, skpo, p1.
10th row K1, [p6, k1] twice.
11th row [K2tog, k1, yf, k1] twice, yf, k1, skpo, k1, yf, k1, skpo.
12th row P6, k1, p1, k1, p6.
13th row K3, k2tog, k1, yrn, p1, k1, p1, yo, k1, skpo, k3.
14th row P5, k2, p1, k2, p5.
15th row K2, k2tog, k1, yrn, p2, k1, p2, yo, k1, skpo, k2.
16th row P4, k3, p1, k3, p4.
17th row K1, k2tog, k1, yrn, p3, k1, p3, yo, k1, skpo, k1.
18th row P3, k4, p1, k4, p3.
19th row K2tog, k1, yrn, p3, MB, p1, MB, p3, yo, k1, skpo.
20th row P1, k13, p1.
21st row P4, MB, p5, MB, p4.
22nd, 24th, 26th, 28th and 30th rows K15.
23rd row P3, MB, p1, [p2tog, yrn] twice, p2, MB, p3.
25th row P3, MB, [p2tog, yrn] 3 times, p1, MB, p3.
27th row P3, MB, p1, [p2tog, yrn] twice, p2, MB, p3.
29th row P4, MB, p5, MB, p4.
31st row P6, MB, p1, MB, p6.
These 31 rows form the flower motif.

Sleeve pattern stitch
1st and 2nd rows K.
3rd row (WS) P1, [yrn, p2tog] to end.
4th–6th rows K.
7th–10th rows Beg with a WS (p) row, work 4 rows in st-st.
These 10 rows form the patt and are repeated.

BACK
With 4mm(US 6) needles, cast on 8 sts.
Work 2 foundation rows of diagonal edging, then work 8-row rep of edging 7(8:9:9) times, ending with an 8th row.
Cast/bind off.

With RS facing, pick up and
k55(65:71:73) sts along unscalloped edge
of edging.
1st row (WS) P1, pfb, p to last 3 sts, pfb,
p2. 57(67:73:75) sts.
K 3 rows.
5th row (WS) P1, [yrn, p2tog] to end.
K 3 rows.★★
Beg with a WS (k) row, work in reverse
st-st for 27(33:41:45) rows.
Shape armholes
Cont in reverse st-st, cast/bind off 3(3:4:
4) sts at beg of next 2 rows.
51(61:65:67) sts.
Work 28(30:32:34) rows more in reverse
st-st.
Shape back neck and shoulders
Next row (RS) P18(20:21:22), turn and
cont on these sts only, leaving rem sts on a
spare needle.
Cast/bind off 2 sts at beg (neck edge) of
next and foll alt row.
Cast/bind off rem 14(16:17:18) sts.
With RS facing, slip 15(21:23:23) sts at
centre back onto a holder, rejoin yarn to
rem sts and p to end.
K 1 row.
Cast/bind off 2 sts at beg (neck edge) of
next and foll alt row.
Cast/bind off rem 14(16:17:18) sts.

FRONT
Work as for Back to ★★.
Beg with a WS (k) row, work in reverse st–
st for 15(21:31:37) rows.
Place flower motif
Next row (RS) P21(26:29:30), work 15 sts
of first row of flower motif,
p21(26:29:30).
Next row K21(26:29:30), work 2nd row
of flower motif, k21(26:29:30).
These 2 rows set position of motif.
Work 10(10:8:6) rows more as set.

Shape armhole
Cont to work motif in position as set,
cast/bind off 3(3:4:4) sts at beg of next 2
rows. 51(61:65:67) sts.
Work rem 17(17:19:21) motif rows.
Cont in reverse st-st, work 1(3:3:3) rows
more, so ending with a WS row.
Shape neck
Next row (RS) P20(24:25:26), turn and
cont on these sts only, leaving rem sts on a
spare needle.
★★★Cast/bind off 2(3:3:3) sts at beg (neck
edge) of next row, 2 sts at beg of foll
1(2:2:2) alt rows and 1 st at beg of next
2(1:1:1) alt rows.
Work 6 rows.
Cast/bind off rem 14(16:17:18) sts.
With RS facing, slip 11(13:15:15) sts at
centre front onto a holder, rejoin yarn to
rem sts on spare needle and p to end.
K 1 row.
Complete to match first side from ★★★ to
end.

SLEEVES
With 4mm(US 6) needles, cast on
33(33:35:35) sts.
Work in sleeve patt st, inc 1 st at each end
of every 6th and foll 4th rows alternately
until there are 51(53:57:59) sts, taking all
inc sts into patt.
Cont straight in patt until sleeve measures
18(21:23:27)cm/7(8¼:9:10½)in from
cast-on edge.
Mark each end of last row, then work
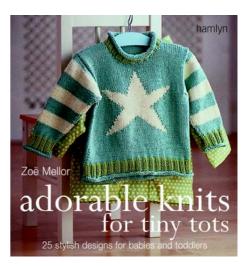4(4:5:5) rows more.
Cast/bind off.

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Join right shoulder seam.
With RS facing and 3¾mm(US 5)
needles, pick up and k 17(17:18:18) sts
down left front neck, k across 1(13:15:15) sts

at centre front, pick up and k 18(18:19:
19) sts up right front neck and 6 sts down
right back neck, k across 15(21:23:23) sts
at centre back and inc 2 sts evenly for first
size only, then pick up and k 6 sts up left
back neck. 75(81:87:87) sts.
1st and 2nd rows K.
3rd row (WS) P1, [yrn, p2tog] to end.
4th–6th rows K.
Cast/bind off knitwise.

TO FINISH
Join left shoulder and neckband seam.
Sew sleeves into armholes, joining row
ends above markers to cast-/bound-off sts
at underarm. Join sleeve, side and edging
seams.

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