



Premature Baby's Cardigan, Hat & Bootees Compiled by Lorna Hanson

<i>To fit:</i>		<i>Size 1</i>	<i>Size 2</i>
<i>Actual size:</i>		<i>3 to 5 lbs</i>	<i>5 to 8 lbs</i>
<i>Cardigan</i>	Chest	34cm	39cm
	Length from shoulder	14cm	17cm
	Cuff to cuff width	36cm	39.5cm
<i>Hat</i>	Circumference	25cm	30cm
<i>Bootees</i>	Length	8.5cm	9cm

Materials: Baby double knitting yarn
 4 small buttons for cardigan
 Needles sizes 8 (4mm), 9 (3.75mm), 10 (3.25mm)

Cardigan with Dolman sleeves

(Note – buttonhole bands and cuffs are knitted in)

LEFT FRONT	<p>With No. 9 needles cast on 20 (23) sts and garter stitch 6 rows (every row K).</p> <p>Change to No. 8 needles and patt:</p> <p>1st row Knit</p> <p>2nd row knit5, purl to end.</p> <p>Work another 12 (18) rows in patt ending on wrong side.</p>
SHAPE SLEEVE & CUFFS	<p>Inc 1 st on sleeve edge on next 6 rows 26 (29)sts</p> <p>Next row: Cast on 16 (17) sts – work to end of row.</p> <p>Next row: Knit 5, purl to last 4 st. Knit 4 (for cuff).</p> <p>Repeat last two rows 4 times, and 1st row once. 42 (46) sts</p>
NECK SHAPING	<p>With WS facing K5, slip these sts onto a safety pin.</p> <p>P2 tog, patt to end.</p> <p>Decrease 1 st at neck edge on next 4 (6) rows. 32 (34)sts</p> <p>Work 2 (4) rows.</p> <p>Increase 1 st at neck edge on next 5 (7) rows. 37 (41) sts</p> <p>BREAK off yarn and leave on stitch holder.</p> <p>MARK position of BUTTONHOLES with pins.</p>
RIGHT FRONT & BACK	<p>With No. 9 needles cast on 20 (23) sts and garter stitch (every row knit) for 6 rows, NOT FORGETTING 1st BUTTONHOLE in position marked on the left front.</p> <p>(Buttonhole row: K2, yarn forward, K2 tog K1, patt to end).</p> <p>CARRY on making buttonholes as marked.</p> <p>CHANGE to No.8 needles:</p> <p>1st row: (RS) Knit</p> <p>2nd row: P to last 5 sts, K5</p> <p>Work another 12 (18) rows in patt.</p>
SHAPE SLEEVE & CUFF	<p>With RS facing inc 1 st at sleeve edge on next 6 rows.</p> <p>With RS facing patt across next row – cast on 16(17)sts.42(46)sts</p> <p>1st row: K4 (for cuff) P to last 5 sts, K5</p> <p>2nd row: Knit.</p> <p>Work 9 more rows in patt.</p>

NECK SHAPING	<p>Next row: (RS) K5 – put these sts on a safety pin, K2 tog, Patt to end. 36 (41) sts DECREASE 1 st at neck edge on next 4 (6) rows. 32 (35) sts Work 1(3) rows. INCREASE 1 st at neck edge on next 5 (7) rows. 37 (41) sts (WS) Patt across 37 (41) sts, cast on 5 sts, patt across 37 (41) sts, from holder of left front. Work another 9 rows.</p>
SHAPE SLEEVES & CUFFS	<p>Cast off 16 (17) sts, patt to last 16 (17) sts, cast them off. BREAK off yarn. REJOIN yarn at beginning of next row. 35 (41) sts DECREASE 1 st at each end of next 6 rows. Work another 14 (20) rows. CHANGE to No. 9 needles and work 6 rows garter st. Cast off.</p>
NECKBAND	<p>With No. 9 needles and RS facing pick up and knit: 5 sts from rt front s. pin 6 (9) sts up rt neck 17 (23) sts from back neck 6 (9) sts from left neck 5 sts from left s. pin. 39 (51) sts GARTER stitch 4 rows MAKING LAST BUTTONHOLE. CAST off. SEW up and sew on buttons.</p>

Hat in DK

	<p>With No. 9 needles cast on 60 (70) sts. Work 6 rows K1 P1 rib. CHANGE to No. 8 needles and continue in stocking stitch (1 row K, 1 row P) until work measures 9 cm. Then DECREASE: 1st row: K6 (7) K2 tog, repeat to end. 2nd and alternate rows: purl. 3rd row: K5 (6) K2 tog, repeat to end. 5th row: K4 (5) K2 tog etc CONTINUE decreasing thus until 12 sts remain approx. WORK 1 row. BREAK off yarn and thread through remaining sts. SEW up carefully with a seam as flat as possible, (pull edges together with a running stitch).</p>
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Bootees in DK

(Both alike)

WITH No. 10 needles, cast on 23 (25) sts, fairly loosely.
KNIT 3 rows.
WORK K1 P1 rib for 7 rows.
CHANGE to No. 8 needles and rib 1 more row.
DIVIDE INSTEP (RS)
Next row: Knit 16 (17) turn
Next row: Purl 9, turn
WORK 12 rows in stocking st.
BREAK off yarn.
REJOIN yarn at point of needle and pick up and knit:
 9 sts from side of instep,
 9 sts from needle
 9 sts from side of instep
 sts of left needle. 41 (43) sts
WORK 9 rows in garter st.
NEXT row: work 2 tog, patt 17 (18), work 3 tog, patt 15 (18) work
2 tog
NEXT row: Knit.
NEXT row: Work 2 tog, patt 15(16), work 3 tog, patt 15 (16) work
2 tog.
KNIT 1 row. 33 (35) sts
CAST off
SEW up. (No ribbon needed)

