

## Child's Smocked Cardigan

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### The Yarn

#### Princess

40% merino, 28% viscose, 15% nylon,  
10% cashmere, 7% angora,

Princess is a clever blend of several fibers that includes a bit of cashmere and angora.

The strength and durability that the yarn's round, multi-ply construction brings, makes Princess great for accessories that will get a lot of use. But the cashmere and angora content takes the crisp edge off the yarn—it has a soft halo and gentle drape that develops as you knit with it. It positively blossoms after its first hand wash or wet block.

### The Pattern

**Skill Level:** Intermediate

**SIZES:** 18 months (2, 4, 6) years

**Finished Measurements:** 23½ (25½, 27½, 30)" buttoned

#### YARN:

**Princess** by **Classic Elite** (40% merino, 28% viscose, 10% cashmere, 7% angora, 15% nylon; 50 gram ball = approx 150 yards)  
4 (5, 5, 6) balls 3431 Top Turq

#### NEEDLE AND OTHER MATERIALS

One 29" circular each size US 5 and 6 (3.75 and 4 mm) **or size to obtain gauge**  
Stitch holders  
Four ½" buttons

#### GAUGE:

21 sts and 31 rows = 4" in Stockinette Stitch (St st) using larger needles;  
25 sts and 30 rows = 4" in Quilted Cross-St using larger needles;  
20 sts and 40 rows = 4" in Garter Stitch (Gtr st) using smaller needles.

**Take time to save time, check your gauge.**

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## ABBREVIATIONS

**approx:** approximately  
**beg:** begin(ning)  
**BO:** bind off  
**CO:** cast on  
**dec('d):** decrease(d)  
**EOR:** every other round  
**inc('d):** increase(d)  
**k:** knit  
**k1-f/b:** knit into the front loop, then the back loop of next st (1 st increased)  
**meas:** measure(s)  
**p:** purl  
**patt:** pattern  
**rem:** remaining  
**rep:** repeat  
**RS:** right side  
**st(s):** stitch(es)  
**WS:** wrong side  
**wyib:** with yarn in back

## SPECIAL TERMS

**Pick up and knit:** Insert right-hand needle into fabric, wrap yarn around needle and pull through.

### Backward Loop Cast-on Method:

\*Wrap yarn around left thumb from front to back and secure in palm with other fingers. Insert needle upwards through strand on thumb. Slip loop from thumb onto right hand needle. Rep from \* for desired number of sts.

## PATTERN STITCHES:

**Garter Stitch (Gtr st):** Knit every row.

**Stockinette Stitch (St st):** Knit on RS, purl on WS.

### Quilted Cross-Stitch: (multiple of 4 sts + 1)

Rows 1 and 3: (WS) K1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* across.

Row 2: (RS) P1, \*slip 1 st knitwise wyib, k1-f/b, k1, pass slipped st over the last 3 sts worked, p1; rep from \* across.

Row 4: P1, k1, p1, \*slip 1 st knitwise wyib, k1-f/b, k1, pass slipped st over the last 3 sts worked, p1; rep from \* across to last 2 sts, end k1, p1.

Rep Rows 1–4 for Quilted Cross-St.

## NOTES

1. Body is worked in one piece to the armhole shaping, then divided for Fronts and Back.

2. Body decreases are worked right on the edge in Quilted Cross-St, **on WS rows**, in order to keep the patt intact. Any extra sts on RS rows are worked in k1, p1 as they appear.

3. Sleeve increases and decreases are worked 1 st in from each edge.

## BODY

Using smaller needles, CO 135 (147, 157, 173) sts. **(WS) Begin Gtr St;** work even until piece meas 1" from beg, end after a WS row.

**Change to larger needles and St st:** (RS) Inc 6 (6, 8, 8) sts evenly across – 141 (153, 165, 181) sts. Work even until piece meas 6½" from beg, end after a RS row.

**Begin Quilted Cross St (WS);** work even until piece meas 7½ (8, 8½, 9)" from beg, end after a RS row.

**Divide for Armholes:** (WS) Work across 29 (31, 34, 36) sts, place sts on holder for Left Front, BO 9 (11, 11, 15) sts, work across 65 (69, 75, 79) sts, place sts on holder for Back, BO 9 (11, 11, 15) sts, work across 29 (31, 34, 36) sts for Right Front.

## RIGHT FRONT

(RS) Working sts for Right Front only, work 1 row even.

**Shape Armhole:** (WS) Dec 1 st at beg of row EOR 4 (4, 5, 5) times – 25 (27, 29, 31) sts. Work even until armhole meas 3½ (3¾, 4, 4½)" from beg of shaping, end after a WS row.

**Shape Neck:** (RS) At neck edge, BO 5 sts once, 4 sts once, then 1 st 3 (3, 3, 5) times – 13 (15, 17, 17) sts. Work even until armhole meas 5½ (6, 6½, 7)" from beg of shaping, end after a WS row. BO all sts.

## BACK

Place sts for Back onto larger needle preparing to work a RS row, join new ball of yarn, work 1 row even.

**Shape Armholes:** (WS) Dec 1 st each side EOR 4 (4, 5, 5) times – 57 (61, 65, 69) sts. Work even until armholes meas 5½ (6, 6½, 7)" from beg of shaping, end after a WS row. (RS) BO 13 (15, 17, 17) sts, work across next 31 (31, 31, 35) sts, place sts on holder for neck, BO 13 (15, 17, 17) sts.

## LEFT FRONT

Place sts for Left Front onto larger needle preparing to work a RS row, join new ball of yarn, work 1 row even.

**Shape Armhole:** (WS) Dec 1 st at end of row EOR 4 (4, 5, 5) times – 25 (27, 29, 31) sts. Work even until piece meas same as Right Front to neck shaping, end after a RS row.

**Shape Neck:** (WS) As for Right Front, reverse all shaping.

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## SLEEVES

Using smaller needles, CO 28 (30, 32, 36) sts. **(WS) Begin Gtr St;** work even until piece meas 1" from beg, end after a WS row.

**Change to larger needles and St st:** (RS) Inc 4 sts evenly across – 32 (34, 36, 40) sts. Work 1 row even, end after a WS row.

**Shape Sleeve:** (RS) Beg this row, inc 1 st each side EOR 0 (1, 1, 1) time, every 4 rows 12 (14, 15, 16) times, then every 6 rows 1 (0, 0, 0) time – 58 (64, 68, 74) sts. Work even until piece meas 9½ (10, 10½, 11)" from beg, end after a WS row.

**Shape Cap:** (RS) BO 4 (5, 5, 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st each side EOR 8 (9, 10, 10) times – 34 (36, 38, 42) sts. BO 2 sts at beg of next 2 (2, 2, 4) rows, 3 sts at beg of next 4 (4, 2, 2) rows, 4 sts at beg of next 2 (0, 2, 2) rows, then 5 sts at beg of next 0 (2, 2, 2) rows – 10 sts. BO rem sts.

## FINISHING

Block pieces to measurements. Sew shoulder and Sleeve seams; set in Sleeves.

**Neck Band:** Using smaller needles, with RS facing, pick up and knit 16 (18, 20, 22) sts along Right Front neck; knit across 31 (31, 31, 35) sts on Back neck holder; **and at the same time**, dec 7 (7, 7, 10) evenly across for a total of 24 (24, 24, 25) sts from holder; pick up and knit 16 (18, 20, 22) sts along Left Front neck – 56 (60, 64, 69) sts. **(WS) Begin Gtr St;** work even for 7 rows, end after a WS row. (RS) BO all sts.

**Buttonband:** Using smaller needles and RS facing, pick up and knit 60 (66, 70, 74) sts evenly along Left Front edge, including neckband sts. **(WS) Begin Gtr St;** work even for 7 rows, end after a WS row. (RS) BO all sts.

**Buttonhole Band:** Using smaller needles, with RS facing, pick up and knit 60 (66, 70, 74) sts along Right Front edge, including neckband sts. **(WS) Begin Gtr St;** work even for 3 rows, end after a WS row.

**Buttonhole Rows:** (RS) Work across 36 (39, 40, 41) sts, BO 2 sts, \*k4 (5, 6, 7) sts, BO 2 sts; rep from \* 3 times, work to end. Next Row: (WS) Work across in Gtr st, use Backward Loop Cast-on Method to CO 2 sts over each set of BO sts. Work even until piece meas same as buttonband, end after a WS row. (RS) BO all sts. Sew buttons opposite buttonholes.

