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To fit ages: 1 year, 2 years, 3 years.

Garment measures: approx. 48 (56, 63) cm around chest. Length 26, (30, 36) cm

Materials: Inca Tweed 50 gms.
Colour A –blue 1710– 2(2,3) balls
Colour B- green 1477- 1 (2,2) balls
Colour C-orange 5198- 3(3,4) balls

Needles: 2 sets 5mm straights or size to achieve tension of 18sts , 30 rows for 10cm square of garter st. Loose knitters try 4.5 mm needles.

2 x stitch holders. Toggles.

Back: Use colour A cast on 42(48,54) sts. Work garter st for approx. 8.5(10,12) cm, end with WS row. Change to colour B and work garter st for another 8.5(10, 12) cm. Change to colour C on RS and continue until back measures approx. 26 (30,36) cm ending with a RS row. On next WS row, knit 14(16, 18) sts, cast off centre 14(16,18) sts, knit to end. Break yarn and keep these sts on the needle so you can attach back to front pieces, working a 3 needle bind off, after knitting the left and right fronts. (see instructions below in bold)

Left Front: use colour A cast on 22(25, 28) sts and work colour stripes same as for back while starting neck decreases on WS rows when front measures 23(26, 32)cm. At neck edge on WS rows, cast off 5 sts once, 2sts once, and 1 st once(twice, 3 times). 14(16,18) sts. Now continue until front measures same as back to the shoulder. Finish working a WS row, break yarn, place sts onto stitch holder.

Right Front: work same as for left front, reverse neck shaping for casting off on RS rows. Finish working a WS row, break yarn and place sts on a stitch holder.

Now attach back to fronts at shoulders with 3 needle bind off. Slip onto one needle in leftwise direction = left front sts with WS facing, and then right front sts with WS facing. Centre front edges are at centre of needle. Left front on the left , right front on the right

and needle point to the right. Now you have 2 needles, one holding the fronts and the other holding the back shoulder piece. Position the needle holding front pieces, in front of the needle holding back piece, with RS together, needles lay against each other with both needle points to your right. You will have the WS of the fronts facing you and you will hold these 2 needles in your left hand and use a spare needle to cast off. Knit together one st on front piece with one st on back piece and cast off as usual. This makes a very tidy shoulder seam.

Sleeves Work downwards to the cuff. Use colour B, pick up and knit from the RS of front and back 36 (42,48)sts as follows. Start at last colour change-pick up 18(21,24)sts to shoulder seam, and another 18 (21,24) sts to next colour change. Work in garter st, change to colour A on a RS row after 8.5(10, 12) cm. AT THE SAME TIME decrease 1 st at beg and end of every 10th row 4(5,6) times. 28(32, 36)sts. Continue in colour A until length desired for sleeve. Sleeve length approx. 17 (20, 24) cm includes turn-up. Cast off loosely.

Hood Use colour C, cast on 76(84,92) sts. Garter st 8 rows for turn back of brim. Dec 1 st at beg and end of next and then every other row until 58 (64,72) sts remain. Work until hood measures 15 (17, 19) cm. Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 8(10,12) rows. Cast off remaining sts.

Left front band: use colour A , and RS facing pick up 34(40,48)sts along front edge. Work 5 rows in garter st. Cast off on RS.

Right front band: work same as left front band except work button holes as (yo, k2tog) on 3rd row of garter st. Place top buttonhole inside the first 4 sts and the following evenly spaced, as you wish eg 5-7 cm apart.

To finish: sew side and sleeve seams with a flat stitch to avoid bulky seams. Turn back the 8 row cuff of hood to RS of hood. Attach hood. Sew on toggles.

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