

# Cotton Twirl Baby-Toddler Cardigan

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**Description:** This cute child's cardigan is cleverly constructed with a horizontal garter-stitch yoke, a top-buttoned opening and a stockinette and garter block pattern.

**Level:** Advanced Beginner/Intermediate

**Sizes:** 6 (12, 18, 24) months

## Materials:

4 (4, 5, 6) – 50g balls of Crystal Palace [Cotton Twirl](#) (Shown in #2224 Pink Cameo)

## Crystal Palace Bamboo Needles:

Size 9 – 26" circular needles

Size 6 single-pointed needles

Size 8 double-pointed needles

2 stitch holders

**Gauge:** 16 sts = 4" in St st

4 garter ridges = 4"

*Note: Garter ridge gauge is very important in this pattern.*

**Abbreviations:** **BO**- bind off; **CO**- cast on; **k**- knit; **k2tog**- knit 2 sts together; **m1**- insert right needle from the back into strand lying between st on left and right needle, lift it onto left needle and knit into back of it; **p**- purl; **rep**- repeat; **RS**- right side (outside of garment); **St st**- stockinette stitch (k on the RS and p on the WS); **st(s)**- stitch(es); **WS**- wrong side (inside of garment); **yo**- yarn over

## 3-Needle Bind-Off:

Hold the pieces together with wrong sides facing out and needles parallel. Insert the third (working) needle knitwise into the first st on both needles. K these sts tog and slip off the needles onto the working needle. Do the same for the next st on both needles. Pass the first st on the working needle over the second st on the working needle. Continue in this manner until you have one st left. Cut yarn and thread through last loop.

## LEFT SLEEVE

Using size 6 needles, CO 23 (27, 31, 35) sts. Beginning on the WS, work the following 5 rows of ribbing:

Row 1 (WS): \*P1, K1; rep from \* to last st, P1.

Row 2 (RS): \*K1, P1; rep from \* to last st, K1.

Row 3: Repeat Row 1.

Row 4: Repeat Row 2.

Row 5: Repeat Row 1.

Change to size 9 needles and K one row, working m1 in center of row – 24 (28, 32, 36) sts.

Continue in St st, increasing one st at each end of next RS row, then each end of needle every 6th row until there are 34 (38,



46, 52) sts. Continue even until sleeve measures 6 (7, 8, 10)" from beginning. End by working a WS row.

**A special thanks to Olive Veronica for modeling the cardigan. She's 2 and the size of our model garment was 18 mos, so it's a tad small for her, but the photos so cute, we use them anyway.**

**Shape Yoke:** Change to size 8 needles and work in garter st until 10 (11, 12, 13) garter ridges have been completed on the RS. End by working a WS row.

**Shape Neck:** K 17 (19, 23, 26) sts for back yoke; join 2<sup>nd</sup> ball of yarn and BO 4 (4, 6, 6) sts, K 13 (15, 17, 20) sts for front yoke. Continue to work both sides at same time until 9 (10, 11, 12) garter ridges have been completed from beginning of neck shaping. End by working a WS row. Place sts of back yoke on double-pointed needle. Continue working garter st on front yoke until 3 more ridges have been completed. BO.

## RIGHT SLEEVE

Work as for left sleeve to neck shaping.

**Shape Neck:** K13 (15, 17, 20) sts for front yoke; join 2<sup>nd</sup> ball of yarn and BO 4 (4, 6, 6) sts; K17 (19, 23, 26) sts for back yoke. Continue to work both sides at same time until 9 (10, 11, 12) garter ridges have been completed from beginning of neck shaping. End by working a WS row. Place sts of back yoke on double-pointed needle.

Work buttonholes on front yoke as follows: K 1 (2, 2, 3), [K2 tog, yo, K 2 (2, 3, 4)] twice, K2 tog, yo, K2 (1, 3, 3).

Work 5 more rows even. BO loosely.

*Note: There should be a total of 82 (90, 98, 106) garter ridges on front and back yokes. Join yoke sections together at center back using 3-needle bind off.*

## BODY

With RS facing and size 9 needles, begin at 4<sup>th</sup> garter ridge from center front. Pick up and K one st in each garter ridge to end of yoke, leaving 3 garter ridges unworked – 76 (84, 92, 100) sts. K one row, increasing evenly spaced to 83 (91, 99, 107) sts.

## Begin pattern:

Row 1 (RS): K

Row 2: K3, \*P5, K3\* to end

Row 3: K

Row 4: Repeat Row 2

Row 5: K

Row 6: K

Repeat Rows 1-6 until body measures 6 (7, 8, 9)" from underarm. End by working a Row 6. Work 4 rows in garter st. BO.

## NECK EDGING

Using size 6 needles and with RS facing, pick up and K one st in end of each garter ridge and 4 sts in bound off neck edge sts all around. BO.

Fasten 3 buttons to left front edge. Weave in all ends.