

Hitty sized Raglan Sleeve Sock Yarn Cardigan

Process is as follows. The cardigan is knitted back and forth from the top down, increasing before and after each sleeve. The work is split after the yoke is done, and sleeve stitches are put on a spare bit of yarn to be knitted later. Body of the sweater is finished next with the button band being worked as you go, (buttonholes are worked on each side) - you can decide which side to sew the buttons at the end. Finally sleeve stitches are picked up and sleeves are finished in the round.

Use: fingering weight yarn, sock yarn or equivalent; a 2.25 circular needle for the body; 2.25 mm DPNs for the sleeves.

Abbreviations:

K=knit

P=purl

YO=yarn over the needle (makes a new stitch - you do this to make buttonholes).

K2tog=knit two stitches together

M1,K1,M1=make one stitch; knit one stitch; make one stitch. Do this by knitting or purling into the strand before and after knitting the stationary stitch. This adds two stitches in this location, makes a little gap, and increases the stitch count.

Pattern

Body

Cast on 27 stitches

Row 1 *Knit Row*: Knit all stitches

Row 2 *Buttonhole Row*: Knit 1; YO; K2tog; knit to the last three stitches on the needle, then K2tog;YO; Knit 1

Row 3 Knit all stitches

Row 4 *Increase Row*: Knit 4; M1,K1,M1; Knit 5; M1,K1,M1; Knit 5; M1,K1,M1; Knit 5; M1,K1,M1; Knit 4
(35 stitches total)

Row 5 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 6 Knit all stitches

Row 7 *Increase Row*: Knit 3; P2; M1,P1,M1; Purl 7; M1,P1,M1; Purl 7; M1,P1,M1; Purl 7; M1,P1,M1; Purl 2; Knit 3

(43 stitches total)

Row 8 *Buttonhole Row*: Knit 1; YO; K2tog; knit to the last three stitches on the needle, then K2tog;YO; Knit 1

Row 9 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 10 *Increase Row*: Knit 6; M1,K1,M1; Knit 9; M1,K1,M1; Knit 9; M1,K1,M1; Knit 9; M1,K1,M1; Knit 6

(51 stitches total)

Row 11 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 12 *Split sleeves off*: Knit 8; cast on 4 stitches; place 11 stitches onto waste yarn; Knit 13 stitches; cast on 4 stitches; put 11 stitches onto waste yarn; knit 8

(37 stitches now on needle)

Row 13 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 14 Knit all stitches

Row 15 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 16 *Buttonhole Row*: Knit 1; YO; K2tog; knit to the last three stitches on the needle, then K2tog;YO; Knit 1

Row 17 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 18 Knit all stitches

Row 19 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 20 Knit all stitches

Row 21 *Purl Row*: Knit three stitches; Purl to the last three stitches; Knit three stitches

Row 22 Knit all stitches

Row 23 *Buttonhole Row + ribbing*: Knit 1; YO; K2tog; (Knit 1, Purl 1) to the last 3 stitches; then K2tog; YO; Knit 1

Row 24 *Ribbing*: Knit 3; (Knit the knit stitches and Purl the purl stitches) to the last 3 stitches; then Knit 3

Cast off 3 stitches in Knit; Up to the last 3 in rib; and last three stitches in knit.

Sleeves

Start in the middle of the four cast-on stitches you added when splitting off the sleeves:

With first DPN pick up and knit two left hand stitches under the arm; pick up and knit one stitch in the gap; pick up three from the waste yarn holding the live stitches (6 stitches on this needle).

With second DPN pick up next 5 stitches from waste yarn (five stitches on this needle).

With third DPN pick up last three live stitches from waste yarn; pick up and knit one stitch in the gap, and two remaining cast on stitches under the arm (6 stitches on this needle). The centre of the under arm will be the beginning of the row.

Round 1 Knit all stitches

Round 2 Slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over; knit to the last two stitches in the round; K2tog
(15 stitches total, five on each needle)

Rounds 3 – 11 knit

Round 12 *Ribbing* K2tog then (Purl 1, Knit 1) to the end of round (14 stitches total)

Round 13 *Ribbing* (Knit 1, P1) to the end of round

Cast off in rib

Weave in ends Decide which side to sew buttons on, and sew them on over the holes on that side. Do up the buttons and soak the little cardigan in water, press the water out and let it dry (this will improve the texture a lot!).

Your dolly will love being cosy and warm in this pretty cardigan!

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