Premature Baby Cardigan

Sizes 10 12 Size 8 needles 3 small buttons

The border is included in the knitting of the body in garter stitch

Cast on 66 (74) stitches and knit 6 rows garter stitch.

Next Row Knit 2 yrn, k2tog continue to knit. This forms buttonhole on R Front. Next Row Knit5 purl to last 5sts knit

.Repeat for 16(20) rows inclusive making buttonholes at row 13 and 19

Divide for Back and fronts

R FRONT

Knit 5 Knit 2togtbl knit 11(13). Work on these 17(19) sts

Turn, cast off 2 sts and purl to last 5 sts, knit

Work 2 rows. Next row knit 5, k2togtbl K to last 3 sts

k2 tog knit 1. Work 1 row. Next row Knit to last 8 sts, k2tog, k 6.

Continue to decrease at neck every 4th row and raglan edge every 2nd row, keeping garter stitch border until 7sts remain .k2tog, knit to end. Continue garter stitch for 14(18) rows on remaining 5 sts (neckband)

BACK

Rejoin wool, cast off 2 sts, knit 27(31). Next row purl to end.

Knit 1 k2tog tbl knit to last 3 sts k2tog, k1. Knit1 purl to last st k1.

Repeat these 2 rows until 10(12) sts remain Cast off.

L FRONT

Rejoin wool, cast off 2 sts, knit to last 8sts, k2tog knit end. Next row knit 5, purl to end. Work 2 rows.

K1, k2togtbl, knit to last 8 sts, k2tog knit to end.

Continue to dec at neck edge every 4^{th} row and alternate rows at raglan edge, keeping garter st border until 5.sts remain. Continue garter st border for 8 rows . Cast off.

SLEEVES (both alike)

Knit 2

Cast on 23 (23)sts and knit 6 rows garter stitch.

<u>Size 1</u> cast on 1st at each end of next row (25sts) and work 15 more rows of stocking stitch

Size 2 Inc 1 st at each end of next row and each following 4th row in stocking stitch to 29sts.

Work 9 more rows.

Each size, Cast off 2 sts, knit to end. Cast off 2 sts and purl to end. Next row, k1 k2togtbl to last 3 sts, knit 2tog k1. Next row purl. Repeat until 5 (9)sts remain. Cast off.

Attach sleeves and sew sleeve side seam. Join neck borders and attach to cardigan. As they are so small, PLEASE do not use pins when sewing items together as then there is no risk of one being left in the garment