

Seamless Yoked Sweater

Supplies: Sport Weight (Bernat Softee Baby) Yarn, U.S.#4 straights and set of 4 dpn's, 2 stitch holders, crochet hook, five ½-inch buttons. Makes newborn–6-month size **Larger size #'s in bold face!** (If you are using a finer-weight yarn, such as Jamie, use the larger set of numbers. It will yield a newborn to 6-mo. size.)

Note: All increases in this pattern use the “bar” type—done by Knitting into front and back of same stitch.



For a plainer boy's sweater, you may omit the decorative rows at bottom of sweater body and sleeves, ending off with a simple garter stitch cuff.

C/O 60 sts

Rows 1-2: K

Row 3: (r.s.): buttonhole row— K 2, y/o, K 2 tog (boy); work to end: for girl, K across to last 4 sts, : K 1 y/o, K 2 tog, K 1

Rows 4-5: K

Row 6:(w.s.) K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 7: K

Row 8: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 9: K 4, *increase in next st, K 2, * Repeat between stars across, end K 4 (78 Sts)

Row 10: (w.s.) K 6, slip 2 as if to P, with yarn held in back of work, *K 2, slip 2* repeating across, ending with K 6.

Row 11: K

Row 12: (w.s.) As Row 10

Row 13: K 4, * increase in next st, K 3*, repeat across, end K 5 (96 sts)

Row 14: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 15: K

Row 16: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 17: K 5 *increase in next st, K 4* repeat across, end K 5 (114 sts)

Row 18: (w.s.) K 6, slip 2 as if to P, with yarn held in back of work, *K 2, slip 2* repeating across, ending with K 6.

Row 19: K

Row 20: (w.s.) As Row 18

Row 21: K 6, * increase in next st., K 5, * across, end K 5 (132 sts)

Row 22: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 23: Work row in K and the second buttonhole same end as in row 3—repeating buttonhole every 10th ridge (**for larger size do 2nd buttonhole in row 27, having a**

buttonhole every 12th ridge)

Row 24: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Row 25: *K 6, inc in next st* across, K 6 (150 sts)

Row 26: K 6, slip 2 as if to P, with yarn held in *back* of work, *K 2, slip 2* repeating across, ending with K 6.

Row 27: K across (**larger size: 2nd buttonhole in this row**)

Row 28: (w.s.) As Row 26

Row 29: K across (**For larger sweater do another increase row here: *K 7, inc in next st* across, end K 6**)

Work even in stockinette stitch with garter stitch button bands for 2 **(6)** rows.

Place Markers: (w.s.) Work 26 **(30)**sts, place marker; work 26 **(27)**sts, place marker, work 46 **(54)** sts place marker, work 26 **(27)**sts, place marker, work last 26 **(30)**sts.— (150)**(168)** sts total

Increase Row: *K to within 2 sts of marker, increase in next st, K 1, pass marker, increase in *next st**; repeat between *'s 3 times. (8 sts added)

Next row: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4

Repeat these two rows 4 **(5)** more times. (190) **(216)** sts, putting sleeves on holder on the last (w.s.) row.

Count ridges. 3^d buttonhole is coming up soon!

Next row (r.s.) *Work to within 2 sts of marker, increase in next st, K 1, *remove* marker, C/O 4 sts under arm, *remove* marker, increase in *next st**; work across the back and repeat once between stars. (130) **(150)** sts

Work even, keeping button bands and *working buttonholes* where needed.

Work two additional decorative slipped stitch rows (as in Rows 10 and 11) for a girl. If sweater is for a little boy, leave the bottom plain. Continue working even, incorporating the last buttonhole in a garter stitch border, to match neck.

Sleeves: Pick up stitches of one sleeve plus 4 sts from cast-on underarms, on 3 dpn's. Tie on yarn at underarm and work stockinette stitch in the round (all K) to 1½" short of desired length.

Decrease evenly in last round of K, leaving 36 sts on sleeve.

*P 2 sl 2 with yarn in *front*, for 1 round, K 1 round* Repeat last 2 rounds. K 2 rounds. (Or just work 4 K rounds for plainer boy's design.)

Decrease 4 sts in next round, leaving 32 st. Switch to garter stitch (P 1 row, K 1 row) and work to match neck. Cast off in P loosely. Repeat for second sleeve.

Attach buttons; weave in loose ends.