Bernat Wee Stripes Knit Pullover and Hat Free Pattern



Pattern Description:

The Wee Knit Pullover and Hat pattern is an **easy skill-level knitting project** that includes instructions for creating a pullover top and a matching hat.

It features a mesh stripe design. The pattern caters to sizes from 6 to 24 months, with detailed instructions for different dimensions for each size.

Materials Needed & Measurements:

- Yarn: Bernat® Softee® BabyTM
- Yarn Weight: Available in 5 oz/140 g (362 yds/331 m) balls.
- **Needles:** U.S. 4 (3.5 mm) and U.S. 6 (4 mm) knitting needles, or the size needed to obtain gauge.
- **Notions:** 2 stitch holders, stitch markers, and 3 buttons.
- Measurements:
 - **To fit chest measurement:**

6 mos: **17"** [**43 cm**] 12 mos: **18"** [**45.5 cm**] 18 mos: **19"** [**48.5 cm**]

- 24 mos: **20''** [**51 cm**]
- Finished chest:
 - 6 mos: **20''** [**51 cm**]
 - 12 mos: **21"** [**53 cm**]
 - 18 mos: **22'' [56 cm]**
 - 24 mos: **23''** [**58.5 cm**]
- o **Hat is sized for:** 6-12 (18-24) mos.

Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

- Alt = Alternate
- **Approx** = Approximate(ly)
- $\mathbf{Beg} = \mathbf{Begin}(\mathbf{ning})$
- **Cont** = Continue(ity)
- **Dec** = Decrease(ing)
- **Inc** = Increase(ing)
- $\mathbf{K} = \text{Knit}$
- **K2(3)tog** = Knit next 2(3) stitches together
- Pat = Pattern
- $\mathbf{Rep} = \mathbf{Repeat}$
- **Rem** = Remaining
- $\mathbf{RS} = \text{Right side}$
- **Ssk** = Slip next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together.
- St(s) = Stitch(es)
- WS = Wrong side
- $\mathbf{Yo} = \mathbf{Yarn}$ over

Instructions for Making the Bernat Wee Stripes Knit Pullover And Hat Pattern:



Back:

- Cast On: With MC and smaller needles, cast on 55 (57-61-63) sts.
- **Garter Stitch:** Work 7 rows in garter st (knit every row), noting that the first row is a WS row.
- Change Needles: Change to larger needles.
- Stocking Stitch Initial Rows:
 - o 1st row: (RS). Knit.
 - o 2nd row: K3. Purl to last 3 sts. K3.
 - o Rep the last 2 rows until the work from beg measures 2 $(2-2\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2})$ " [5 (5-6.5-6.5) cm], ending on a WS row.
- Place Markers: Place markers at each end of the last row.
- Continue Pattern:
 - o Cont in st st for 4 rows (omitting 3 garter side sts).
 - Proceed in Stripe Pat until the work from beg measures approx 6½ (7-7½-8)" [16.5 (18-19-20.5) cm], ending with 2 rows of A.
- Shape Raglan (Initial):
 - Keeping cont of Stripe Pat, cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. You should have 51 (53-57-59) sts rem.
 - o 1st row: (RS). K2. K2tog. Knit to last 4 sts. ssk. K2.
 - o 2nd row: Purl.
 - Keeping cont of Stripe Pat, rep the last 2 rows 2 (2-2-4) times more, ending with 2 rows of A. You should have 45 (47-51-49) sts rem.
 - Break A.
- Shape Raglan (MC Only): With MC only, rep the last 2 rows 10 (11-12-11) times more.
- **Hold Stitches:** Leave the rem 25 (25-27-27) sts on a st holder.

Front:

- Work from **to** as given for Back. This means following steps 1-7 (initial shaping of raglan, ending with breaking A) from the Back instructions.
- **Continue Shaping (MC Only):** With MC only, rep the last 2 rows 5 (6-6-5) times more. You should have 35 (35-39-39) sts rem.
- Shape Neck (Right Side):
 - 1st row: (RS). K2. K2tog. K6 (6-8-8) (neck edge). Turn. Leave rem sts on a spare needle.
 - o 2nd row: Purl.
 - o 3rd row: K2. K2tog. Knit to last 2 sts. K2tog.
 - o Rep the last 2 rows 1 (1-2-2) time(s) more. You should have 5 sts rem.
 - o Next row: P5.
 - o Next row: K2. K3tog.
 - o Next row: P3.
 - o Next row: K3tog. Fasten off.
- Shape Neck (Left Side):
 - o With RS facing, slip the center 15 sts onto a st holder.
 - o Rejoin MC to rem sts.
 - o 1st row: (RS). K6 (6-8-8). ssk. K2.
 - o 2nd row: Purl.
 - o 3rd row: ssk. Knit to last 4 sts. ssk. K2.
 - Rep the last 2 rows 1 (1-2-2) time(s) more. You should have 5 sts rem.
 - o Next row: P5.
 - o Next row: K3tog. K2.
 - o Next row: P3.
 - Next row: K3tog. Fasten off.

Sleeves (Make 2):

- Cast On: With MC and smaller needles cast on 31 (33-37-37) sts.
- Garter Stitch: Work 7 rows in garter st, noting that the 1st row is a WS row.
- Stocking Stitch: Change to larger needles and work 4 (4-4-6) rows in st st.
- **Increase:** Inc 1 st each end of the next row.
- Stocking Stitch Cont: Work a further 9 rows in st st.
- **Stripe Pat & Increase:** Proceed in Stripe Pat, AT THE SAME TIME, inc 1 st each end of the next row and following 10th row(s) 1 (1-1-2) time(s) more. You should have 37 (39-43-45) sts rem.
- Cont Even: Cont even in Stripe Pat until work from beg measures approx 7 (7½-8-8½)" [18 (19-20.5-21.5) cm], ending with 2 rows of A.
- Shape Raglans (Initial):
 - Keeping cont of Stripe Pat, cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. You should have 33 (35-39-41) sts rem.
 - o 1st row: (RS). K2. K2tog. Knit to last 4 sts. ssk. K2.
 - o 2nd row: Purl.

- o Keeping cont of Stripe Pat, rep the last 2 rows 2 (2-2-4) times more, ending with 2 rows of A. You should have 27 (29-33-31) sts rem.
- o Break A.
- Shape Raglans (MC Only): With MC only, rep the last 2 rows 10 (11-12-11) times more
- **Hold Stitches:** Leave the rem 7 (7-9-9) sts on a st holder.

FINISHING

- **Seams:** Sew raglan seams, leaving the left front raglan seam open.
- Neckband:
 - With RS facing, smaller needles and MC, pick up and knit 7 (7-9-9) sts down the left front neck edge.
 - o Knit 15 from Front st holder, dec 1 st at center.
 - o Pick up and knit 7 (7-9-9) sts up the right front neck edge.
 - o Knit 7 (7-9-9) from right sleeve st holder, dec 1 st at center.
 - o Knit 25 (25-27-27) from Back st holder, dec 1 st at center.
 - Knit 7 (7-9-9) from left sleeve st holder, dec 1 st at center. You should have 64 (64-74-74) sts.
 - o Work 8 rows in garter st.
 - o Cast off knitways (WS).

Buttonhole Band:

- With RS facing, smaller needles and MC, beg at the raglan cast off edge, pick up and knit 25 (27-29-31) sts along the left front raglan edge and side of neckband.
- o Knit 3 rows.
- o Next row: (RS). K7 (7-7-9). K2tog. yo. K5 (6-7-7). Rep from once more. K2tog. yo. K2. This creates 3 buttonholes.
- o Knit 2 rows.
- Cast off knitways.
- **Button Band:** Work as for Buttonhole Band along the left sleeve raglan edge, omitting all references to buttonholes.
- **Assembly:** Sew sleeve and side seams to markers to create side vents. Sew on buttons to correspond to the buttonholes.

HAT INSTRUCTIONS

Note: The Hat is sized for 6-12 (18-24) mos.

- Cast On: With MC and smaller needles cast on 87 (92) sts.
- **Garter Stitch:** Work 9 rows in garter st (knit every row), noting that the first row is a WS row.
- **Increase:** Inc 4 sts evenly across the last row. You should have 91 (96) sts.
- **Change Needles & Stocking Stitch:** Change to larger needles and work in st st until the work from beg measures 4 (4¹/₄)" [10 (11) cm], ending on a purl row.

Shape Top:

- 1st row: (RS). K16 (17). K2tog. Rep from to last st. K1. You should have 86 (91) sts.
- 2nd and alt rows: Purl.
- 3rd row: K15 (16). K2tog. Rep from to last st. K1. You should have 81 (86) sts.
- **5th row:** K14 (15). K2tog. Rep from to last st. K1. You should have 76 (81) sts.
- 7th row: K13 (14). K2tog. Rep from to last st. K1. You should have 71 (76) sts.
- **Continue Decreasing:** Cont in this manner, dec 5 sts evenly spaced as established on RS rows until 11 sts rem.
- **Finish Top:** Break yarn, leaving a long end. Draw the end tightly through the rem sts.
- **Seam:** Sew the center back seam.

Pompom:

- Wind Contrast A (A) yarn around 3 fingers approx 60 times.
- Remove from fingers and tie tightly in the center.
- Cut through each side of the loops.
- Trim to a smooth round shape.
- Sew to the end of the Hat.