Seamless Yoked Sweater Free Pattern



Pattern Description:

This pattern provides instructions for a **Seamless Yoked Baby Sweater** designed for **newborn to 6-month size**, with options for a larger size indicated by bold numbers.

It includes directions for decorative slipped stitch rows suitable for a girl, or a plainer garter stitch cuff and bottom for a boy. The design features buttonholes and garter stitch borders to match the neck.

Materials Needed & Measurements:

- Yarn: Sport Weight (Bernat Softee Baby) Yarn is recommended. Finer-weight yarns, such as Jamie, can also be used, yielding a newborn to 6-month size when using the larger set of numbers.
- Yarn Weight: Sport Weight.
- **Hook:** A **crochet hook** is needed.
- Notions:
 - **o** U.S. #4 straight needles
 - Set of 4 double-pointed needles (dpn's)
 - o 2 stitch holders
 - Five ½-inch buttons
- Measurements:
 - The pattern makes a **newborn to 6-month size**.

- o Larger size numbers are indicated in **bold face** within the pattern instructions.
- o Sleeves are worked to 1½" short of desired length before decreases.
- Sleeves will have 36 stitches after the first decrease round, and 32 stitches after a subsequent decrease round.

Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

- K: Knit
- P: Purl
- v/o: Yarn Over
- **K 2 tog:** Knit 2 Together
- C/O: Cast On
- inc in next st: Increase in next stitch
- Increase Type: All increases in this pattern use the "bar" type, which is done by Knitting into the front and back of the same stitch.
- **slip 2 as if to P, with yarn held in back of work:** A slipped stitch technique used in decorative rows.
- **dpn's:** Double Pointed Needles
- **r.s.:** Right Side
- w.s.: Wrong Side
- sts: Stitches
- **Stockinette stitch:** Used for the sweater body and sleeves (all K in the round for sleeves).
- **Garter stitch:** Used for button bands, cuffs, and neck borders (K for rows 1-2, P 1 row, K 1 row).

Instructions for Making the Seamless Yoked Sweater Pattern:

Sweater Body (Yoke Construction)

- Casting On and Initial Rows:
 - o C/O 60 sts.
 - o Rows 1-2: K across.
 - o Row 3 (r.s.): Buttonhole Row.
 - For **boy**: **K 2**, **y/o**, **K 2 tog**, then work to end.
 - For girl: K across to last 4 sts, then K 1, y/o, K 2 tog, K 1.
 - o Rows 4-5: K across.
 - o Row 6 (w.s.): K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4.
 - o Row 7: K across.
 - o Row 8: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4.
- Increasing and Decorative
 - o **Rows:** 8.
 - o Row 9: K 4, inc in next st, K 2, repeat between stars across, end K 4 (78 sts). 9.

- Row 10 (w.s.): K 6, sl 2 as if to P (yarn in back), K 2, sl 2 repeating across, ending with K 6. 10.
- o **Row 11: K** across. 11.
- o **Row 12 (w.s.):** Work as **Row 10**. 12.
- Row 13: K 4, inc in next st, K 3, repeat across, end K 5 (96 sts). 13.
- o **Row 14: K 4, P** across to within 4 sts of end, **K 4**. 14.
- o Row 15: K across. 15. Row 16: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4. 16.
- o **Row 17: K 5, inc in next st, K 4,** repeat across, end **K 5** (114 sts). 17.
- Row 18 (w.s.): K 6, sl 2 as if to P (yarn in back), K 2, sl 2 repeating across, ending with K 6. 18.
- o **Row 19: K** across. 19.
- o **Row 20 (w.s.):** Work as **Row 18**. 20.
- o Row 21: K 6, inc in next st, K 5, across, end K 5 (132 sts). 21.
- o **Row 22: K 4, P** across to within 4 sts of end, **K 4**. 22.
- o **Row 23: Work row in K** and make the **second buttonhole** on the same end as in **Row 3**. For the standard size, buttonholes should be placed every 10th ridge. For the larger size, the second buttonhole is in **Row 27**, and subsequent buttonholes are placed every 12th ridge. 23.
- o **Row 24: K 4, P** across to within 4 sts of end, **K 4**. 24.
- o Row 25: K 6, inc in next st across, K 6 (150 sts). 25.
- o Row 26: K 6, sl 2 as if to P (yarn in back), K 2, sl 2 repeating across, ending with K 6. 26.
- o **Row 27: K** across (for the larger size, the second buttonhole is worked in this row). 27.
- o **Row 28 (w.s.):** Work as **Row 26**. 28.
- Row 29: K across. For the larger sweater, do another increase row here: K 7, inc in next st across, end K 6. 29. Work even in stockinette stitch with garter stitch button bands for 2 (6) rows.

Placing Markers and Separating Sleeves:

- 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. This will result in (150) (168) sts total.
- Increase Row: K to within 2 sts of marker, inc in next st, K 1, pass marker, inc in next st; repeat between stars 3 times. This adds 8 sts.
- Next Row: K 4, P across to within 4 sts of end, K 4.
- Repeat these two rows 4 (5) more times, resulting in (190) (216) sts. On the last (w.s.) row, place the sleeve sts onto holders.
- The 3rd buttonhole will be coming up soon.
- **Next Row (r.s.): **Work** to within 2 **sts** of marker, **inc in next st**, **K** 1, remove marker, **C/O 4 sts** under arm, remove marker, **inc in next st**; work across the back and repeat between stars once more. This will leave (130) (150) **sts** for the body.

Finishing the Body:

- Work even, ensuring to maintain the button bands and placing buttonholes where needed.
- For a **girl's sweater**, work two additional decorative **slipped stitch rows** (following the pattern of **Rows 10 and 11**).
- If the sweater is for a **little boy**, leave the bottom plain.
- Continue working even, incorporating the last buttonhole into a **garter stitch border** to match the neck.

Sleeves:

- Pick up the sts of one sleeve plus 4 sts from the C/O underarms, using 3 dpn's.
- Tie on yarn at the underarm and work stockinette stitch in the round (all K) until the sleeve is 1½" short of the desired length.
- **Decrease evenly** in the last round of **K**, leaving 36 sts on the sleeve.
- For a girl's design: P 2, sl 2 with yarn in front, for 1 round, K 1 round. Repeat these last 2 rounds, then K 2 rounds.
- For a plainer boy's design: Just work 4 K rounds.
- **Decrease 4 sts** in the next round, leaving 32 sts.
- Switch to garter stitch (P 1 row, K 1 row) and work to match the neck.
- **C/O** in **P** loosely.
- Repeat all sleeve steps for the second sleeve.

Final Touches:

- Attach the five ½-inch buttons.
- Weave in all loose ends.