

Baby's Vest and Pants

from

Sirdar Sunshine

Baby Book, 1940s



TENSION.

The tension for these garments is 8 sts. to one inch.

MATERIALS.

Vest and Pants together, 3 ozs. Sirdar Sunshine Baby Wool, 3 ply, Non-Shrink (Vest, Long or Short Sleeves, 2 ozs. Pants, 2 ozs.).
 1 pair Knitting Needles, No. 10.
 1 pair Knitting Needles, No. 12.
 Elastic for waist.

MEASUREMENTS.

The Vest.

Width all round at underarm, 16 inches.
 Length from top of shoulder, 10½ inches.
 Length of long sleeve seam, 5½ inches.
 Length of short sleeve seam, 2½ inches.

The Pants.

Width all round at widest part, 20 inches.
 Length from top of waist to crutch, 8 inches.

THE VEST.

Commencing at the lower edge of the front and using No. 10 Needles, cast on 61 sts.

1st Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

These 2 rows form the pattern.

Continue in pattern until the work measures 6½ inches from the commencement, ending on the wrong side of the work.

The Right Front Yoke.

1st Row. Sl.1, k.2, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last 5 sts., p.2 tog. t.b.l., k.3.

3rd Row. Sl.1, k.2, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., k.1, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

4th Row. Like the 2nd row.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, decrease once in this manner inside the border of 3 knitted sts. in every row until 17 sts. remain.

Break off the wool and leave these sts. on a spare needle.

The Left Front Yoke.

Using the No. 10 Needles, cast on 61 sts.

1st Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last 5 sts., k.2 tog., k.3.

2nd Row. Sl.1, k.2, p.2 tog., purl to the last st., k.1.

3rd Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last 7 sts., p.1, k.1, k.2 tog., k.3.

4th Row. Like the 2nd row.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, decrease once in this manner inside the border of 3 knitted sts. in every row until 17 sts. remain.

Next Row. Sl.1, k.3, (p.1, k.3) 3 times, k.1, cast on 27 sts. for the back of neck, working across the sts. left on the spare needle, k.4, (p.1, k.3) 3 times, k.1 (61 sts.).

Proceed as follows :

1st Row. Sl.1, p.13, k.33, p.13, k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 3 times, k.35, (p.1, k.3) 3 times, k.1.

3rd Row. Like the 1st row.

4th Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

5th Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

Continue in pattern without shaping until the work measures 10½ inches from the cast on sts. at the back of neck ending on the wrong side of the work.

Cast off in pattern.

Sew the lower edge of the left front yoke loosely along the back of the right front yoke.

THE LONG SLEEVES (Both Alike).

With the right side of the work facing and using the No. 10 Needles, commencing 7½ inches up from the lower edge of the vest, pick up and knit 53 sts. evenly along the armhole edge, ending 7½ inches from the other lower edge of the vest.

1st Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

3rd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

Repeat the 2nd and 3rd rows once.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, decrease once at each end of the next and every following 6th row until 37 sts. remain.

Change to No. 12 Needles.

Continue in pattern without shaping until the work measures 5½ inches from where the sts. were picked up at the armhole, ending on the wrong side of the work.

Cast off loosely in pattern.

THE SHORT SLEEVES (Both Alike).

Using the No. 10 Needles and with the right side of the work facing, pick up and knit 53 sts. evenly round the armhole edge as given for the long sleeves.

1st Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

3rd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, decrease once at each end of the next and every following 4th row until 45 sts. remain.

Continue in pattern without shaping until the work measures 2 inches from where the sts. were picked up at the armhole, ending on the wrong side of the work.

Change to No. 12 Needles.

Continue without shaping until the work measures 2½ inches from where the sts. were picked up at the armhole, ending on the wrong side of the work.

Cast off loosely in pattern.

TO MAKE UP THE VEST.

Press the work lightly on the wrong side under a damp cloth with a hot iron.

Sew up the side and sleeve seams.

Press all seams.

THE PANTS.

THE FRONT.

The Right Leg.

Using the No. 10 Needles, cast on 28 sts.

1st Row. Sl.1, k.1, * p.1, k.1, repeat from * to end of row.

Repeat the 1st row 4 times.

6th Row. Sl.1, k.1, p.1, * increase once in the next st., (p.1, k.1) twice, increase once in the next st. purlways, (k.1, p.1) twice, repeat from * to the last 5 sts., increase once in the next st., (p.1, k.1) twice (33 sts.).

Break off the wool and leave these sts. on a spare needle.

The Left Leg.

Using the No. 10 Needles, cast on 28 sts. and work exactly as given for the right leg, but do not break off the wool.

Proceed as follows :

THE GUSSET.

1st Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, cast on 31 sts., working across the sts. left on a spare needle (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

3rd Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., k.1, (p.1, k.3) 6 times, p.1, k.1, k.2 tog., (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

4th Row. Like the 2nd row.



5th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., (p.1, k.3) 6 times, p.1, k.2 tog., (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

6th Row. Like the 2nd row.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, decrease once at each side of the gusset in the next and every alternate row until 7 sts. remain in the gusset, ending on the wrong side of the work.

Proceed as follows :

1st Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl 1, purl to the last st., k.1.

Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 3 times.

9th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., k.1, p.1, k.1, k.2 tog., (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

10th Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

11th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, k.2, p.1, k.2, (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

Repeat the 10th and 11th rows once, then the 10th row once.

15th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., p.1, k.2 tog., (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

16th Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

17th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 8 times, k.1, p.1, k.1, (p.1, k.3) 8 times, k.1.

Repeat the 16th and 17th rows once then the 16th row once.

21st Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 7 times, k.3, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., p.1, k.2 tog., k.3, (p.1, k.3) 7 times, k.1.

22nd Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

23rd Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 7 times, k.4, p.1, k.4, (p.1, k.3) 7 times, k.1.

Repeat the 22nd and 23rd rows once then the 22nd row once.

27th Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 7 times, k.2, sl.1, k.1, p.s.s.o., p.1, k.2 tog., k.2, (p.1, k.3) 7 times, k.1 (65 sts.).

28th Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

29th Row. Sl.1, k.3, * p.1, k.3, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

Repeat the 28th and 29th rows 9 times, then the 28th row once.

Change to No. 12 Needles and proceed as follows :

1st Row. Sl.1, k.1, * p.1, k.1, repeat from * to the last st., k.1.

2nd Row. Sl.1, * p.1, k.1, repeat from * to end of row.

Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows twice.

7th Row. Sl.1, * k.2 tog., wl. fwd., k.1, p.1, repeat from * to the last 4 sts., k.2 tog., wl. fwd. k.2.

Repeat the 2nd row once, then the 1st and 2nd rows twice.

Using a No. 10 Needle, cast off loosely in rib.

THE BACK.

Work exactly as given for the front until the 27th row has been worked.

Repeat the 28th and 29th rows 9 times, then the 28th row once.

Shape the Back.

1st Row. Sl.1, (k.3, p.1) 14 times, turn.

2nd Row. P.49, turn

3rd Row. P.1, (k.3, p.1) 10 times, turn.

4th Row. P.33, turn.

5th Row. P.1, (k.3, p.1) 6 times, turn.

6th Row. P.17, turn.

7th Row. (P.1, k.3) 10 times, k.1.

8th Row. Sl.1, purl to the last st., k.1.

Change to No. 12 Needles and work exactly as given for the front ribbing.

Using a No. 10 Needle, cast off loosely in rib.

TO MAKE UP THE PANTS.

Press each piece lightly on the wrong side under a damp cloth with a hot iron. Sew up the side, leg and gusset seams. Thread elastic through holes at waist.

Press all seams.