

## KNITTED PREMIE VEST PATTERN

Pattern is for 12 months size. Numbers in brackets are for infant size.

Yarn: Approx. 2 oz. of fine soft yarn - use dark shades of synthetic yarn for practicality in washing and scraps to make stripes for variation.

Needles: 2 needles #8 or #9 (Canadian) or #3.75 or #4 (Metric) and 2 stitch holders.

Front: Cast on 60 (48) stitches. Knit 10 inches (9 inches) in garter stitch.

Neck Opening: Place 20 (16) stitches on a stitch holder. Loosely cast off next 20 (16) stitches for neck edge. Do not make this edge too firm to allow for stretching over the head. Knit remaining 20 (16) stitches for three (two) inches for right shoulder. Place these stitches on a stitch holder. Pick up the 20 (16) stitches from the first stitch holder and knit three (two) inches for left shoulder.

Back: With left shoulder facing, cast on 20 (16) stitches loosely for back of neck opening. Pick up stitches from first stitch holder, right shoulder. You now have 60 (48) stitches on needle. Knit back vest to correspond to front vest.

Finishing: Sew sides together beginning at the bottom of vest. Leave a space three inches long (from top of shoulder to below) for armholes. Tidy loose ends.