

GARTER RIDGED BABY SET

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Easy to knit, this set of cap and booties will keep a precious newborn warm. Simple knit and purl stitches create the raised ridges. Knit in the round with an I-cord topper.

Materials

Sport weight soft yarn in a solid color (Color A) and a multi-color (Color B)
US Size 4 (3.5mm) double point needles
Satin ribbon for bootie ties

Gauge

CAP

With Color A, **cast on** 68 stitches. Divide between 3 needles. Join in a circle, being careful not to twist the stitches.
Knit 8 rounds. The rolled edge will automatically curl towards the outside.
Begin Garter Ridge Pattern

Garter Ridge Pattern

Rnd 1: Change to Color B, knit whole round
Rnd 2: With Color B, purl whole round
Rnd 3: Change to Color A, Knit whole round
Rnd 4: With Color A, Knit whole round

Repeat these 4 rounds of the Garter Ridge Pattern **9** more times for a total of **10** repeats. Then repeat Rounds 1 and 2 once more.

Decreases for crown:

Rnd 1: Change to Color A, *(k6, k2tog), repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2 = 60 sts.
Rnd 2: With Color A, knit whole round
Rnd 3: Change to Color B, *(k5, k2tog), repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2 = 52 sts.
Rnd 4: With B, Purl whole round. Cut Color B, leaving an 8" tail for weaving in.
Rnd 5: Change to Color A, *(k2tog), repeat from * for whole round = 26 sts.
Rnd 6: *(k2tog), repeat from * for whole round = 13 sts.
Rnd 7: *(k2tog), repeat from * to last st, k1 = 7 sts.
Rnd 8: K1, k2tog 3 times = 4 sts.

Arrange all 4 sts. onto one needle and work I-Cord for 1 ½". Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail and thread tail back into center of I-Cord. Tie I-Cord into overhand knot.



Weave in all ends.

BOOTIES

With Color A, **cast on** 24 stitches. Divide between 3 needles (8 sts per needle). Join in a circle, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Knit 8 rounds. The rolled edge will automatically curl towards the outside.

Work 2 repeats of the 4-round Garter Ridge Pattern. Work Rounds 1 and 2 once more.

Eyelets

Next round: Change to Color A and knit whole round

Next round: *(YO, k2tog), repeat from * for whole round

Next round: Knit whole round.

Next round: Change to Color B, knit whole round

Next round: with Color B, Purl whole round. Cut Color B leaving an 8" tail for weaving in.

Heel Flap

With Color A, knit 6 stitches. Turn.

Slip 1, Purl 5, then with same needle, purl 6 from next needle. You will now have 12 stitches on this needle. These are your heel flap. You will work back and forth on these stitches. Rearrange the remaining 12 stitches onto 2 needles (6 sts. each). These are your instep stitches.

Row 1: Slip 1, knit to end

Row 2: Slip 1, purl to end

Repeat these 2 rows **4** more times for a total of **5** times.

Turn Heel

Row 1: Knit 7, SSK, turn.

Row 2: Slip 1, p2, p2tog, turn.

Row 3: Slip 1, k2, SSK, turn.

Row 4: same as row 2

Row 5: same as row 3

Row 6: same as row 2

Row 7: same as row 3

Row 8: same as row 2

You will now have only 4 sts on the heel needle.

Gussets

Knit across the 4 heel stitches. Pick up and knit 6 stitches along the side of the heel flap, plus "fudge" one stitch in the gap before the instep stitches.

With free needle, knit across the 12 instep stitches all onto **one** needle.

With free needle, make a “fudge” stitch in the gap, and pick up and knit 6 stitches along the other side of the heel flap and knit 2 stitches from the next needle. You are now at the center bottom of the heel/foot and should have 9 stitches on the first needle, 12 sts on the instep needle, and 9 stitches on the last needle. = 30 sts.

Gusset Decreases

Rnd 1: k6, k2tog, k1, k12 instep, k1, SSK, k6 = 28 sts.

Rnd 2: Add Color B, knit whole round

Rnd 3: With Color B, purl whole round

Rnd 4: Change to Color A, k5, k2tog, k1, k12 instep, k1, SSK, k5 = 26 sts.

Rnd 5: With Color A, knit whole round

Rnd 6: Change to color B, k4, k2tog, k12 instep, k1, SSK, k4 = 24 sts.

Foot

Resume Garter Ridge Pattern at Round 2 (purl whole round with Color B) working just the last 3 rounds of pattern. Repeat Garter Ridge Pattern **2** more times. Work Rounds 1 thru 3 once more. Cut Color B leaving an 8” tail for weaving in.

Toe

Rnd 1: With Color A, k3, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k6, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k3 = 20 sts.

Rnd 2: Knit whole round

Rnd 3: k2, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k4, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k2 = 16 sts.

Rnd 4: Knit whole round

Rnd 5: k1, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k2, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, k1 = 12 sts.

With the same needle, knit across the 3 stitches of the first needle. You will now have 6 sts on each of 2 needles. Graft together.

Weave in ends.

Weave lengths of ribbon through the eyelet rounds and tie in bow at front. Or crochet or twist a yarn length for the ties.

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