

# Child's Seamless Classic Cardigan

**N**O fancy stitches are required for the child's warm and comfortable cardigan instructions for making which are given here, but the finished garment is very attractive and is unusual in that it is seamless. Instructions for three sizes—28in. chest, 30in. chest, and 32in. chest—are given.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** K., knit; p., purl; st., stitch(es); rep., repeat; cont., continue; st.st., stocking stitch; tog., together; dec., decreas(ing); sl., slip; p.s.s.o., pass slipped st. over.

**Materials:** 7oz. of 3-ply wool; 2 No. 11 and 2 No. 13 knitting needles; 4 No. 11 and 4 No. 13 knitting needles for sleeves; 3 short No. 13 needles for front borders, and 6 buttons.

**Measurements:** Length, 19½in.; chest, 30in.; sleeve seam, 15in. (adjustable).

**Tension:** 8 st. to 1in.

**28in. chest:** As in pattern but on No. 12 needles with all ribbing on No. 13 needles. Length: 19in. Tension: 8½ st. to 1in. Sleeves: As in pattern (adjustable).

**30in. chest:** As in pattern. Length: 19½in.

**32in. chest:** As in pattern but on No. 10 needles with all ribbing on No. 13 needles. Length: 20in. Tension: 7½ st. to 1in. Sleeves: As in pattern (adjustable).

## Pocket Linings

Using two No. 13 needles cast on 30 st. and work in k. 1, p. 1 rib for 4in. Leave stitches on a spare needle. Work another piece in same way.

## The Cardigan

Now begin at lower edge, using two No. 13 needles and cast on 255 st.

1st row: \* K. 1, p. 1. Rep. from \* to last st., k. 1.

2nd row: \* P. 1, k. 1. Rep. from \* to last st., p. 1.

Rep. these 2 rows for ½in., ending with a 2nd row of rib if buttonholes are to be in right front or 1st row of rib if buttonholes are to be in left front.

Next row: Rib 5, cast off 3 st., rib to end.

Next row: Rib to last 5 st., cast on 3, rib 5. (This completes a buttonhole.)

Cont. in rib, working 2 more buttonholes at intervals of 1½in. from previous one, until work measures 4in., ending with a 2nd row of rib.

Next row: Rib 28, cast off 30, rib to last 59 st., cast off 30, rib to end.



Next row: Rib 29, work in rib across stitches for a pocket lining, rib to last 28 st., work in rib across stitches for a second pocket lining, rib to end.

Next row: Rib 14, change to a No. 11 needle, k. 2 tog., k. to last 14 st., change to a short No. 13 needle, rib to end. (254 st.)

Next row: Rib 14, change to a No. 11 needle, p. to last 14 st., change to a No. 13 needle, rib to end.

Keeping 14 st. at each end of row in rib on No. 13 needles throughout, cont. in st.st. with No. 11 needles for main part until work measures 12in. from cast-on edge, ending with a p. row and making 3 more buttonholes in right front border at regular intervals of 2½in. (instead of 1½in. measured over st.st.).

## Shaping the Fronts

Next row: Rib 14, k. 2 tog., k. to last 16 st., k. 2 tog., rib 14. Work 8 rows in rib and st.st.

Next row: Rib 14, p. 2 tog., p. to last 16 st., p. 2 tog., rib 14.

Next row: Rib 14, k. 43, turn, work on these stitches only for right front, leaving other stitches on a spare needle.

Cont. in st.st. and rib, dec. 1 st. inside front ribbing on 8th row and on every following 9th row until 50 st. remain, then cont. without shaping until work measures 19½in. from cast-on edge, ending at front edge.

Next row: Rib 14, turn, work a further 2in. in rib on these 14 st. Leave all stitches on a spare needle.

Return to main stitches, slip first 16 st. on to a safety pin, rejoin wool, k. 104 st., turn.

Work in st.st. on these stitches for back until work measures 19½in., ending with a p. row.