

GARTER YOKE BABY CARDI

A simple little cardi with super speedy top-down, seamless raglan construction and an optional I-cord button band. Use thinner yarn and smaller needles for a smaller sweater or thicker yarn and larger needles for a bigger one, just be sure to adjust the length accordingly.

Project Specs

Size: baby (6-12 months?)

Finished measurements:
chest=20", length = 10"

Yarn: 3 skeins Knit Pick
Andean Treasure alpaca
or any sport weight yarn

Needles: US4 (3.5mm)
circular needles and dpns
for sleeves

Gauge: 22sts = 4" in st st

Shorthand:

sl1 = slip 1 st knitwise

m1 = make 1: lift bar be-
tween sts from front to
back and k tbl

pm = place marker

K2tog = knit 2 sts to-
gether

Yo = yarn over

CO 60

(Knit neck band)

Row 1-8: sl1, k59

(Begin raglan shaping)

Row 9: sl1, k9, m1, pm, k2, pm, m1, k6,
m1, pm, k2, pm, m1, k20, m1, pm, k2,
pm, m1, k6, m1, pm, k2, pm, m1, k10
(68 sts)

Row 10: sl1, k10, p2, k8, p2, k22, p2,
k8, p2, k11 (note the p2s create
stockinette raglan details)

Repeat rows 9 & 10 increasing
outside markers (leaving 2 stockinette stitches between) until piece
measures 3 3/4-inches and 188 sts)

(Place the sleeves on holders and continue with the body)

Row 1: dropping markers as you go; sl1, k 27 (right front), place 38
sts on holder (right sleeve), k56 (back), place 38 sts on holder (left
sleeve), k28 (left front). (112 active sts forming the body)

Row 2: sl1, p110, k1

Row 3: sl1, k111

Repeat rows 2 & 3 until piece measures 8 1/2-inches.

(Finish the body with a garter stitch edge)

All rows: sl1, k111 until piece measures 10-inches from the top.

Bind off on wrong side.

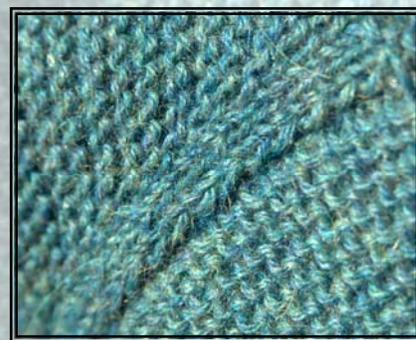
(Finish the sleeves)

Pick up 38 sleeve sts.

Rnd 1: pm at beginning of round, k38

Rnd 2: join to k in round. K38

Continue in stockinette stitch for 3-inches.



(Add garter stitch cuff)

Rnd 1: p38

Rnd 2: k38

Repeat Rnds 1 & 2 for 1-1/2 inches

Bind off in purl

(Add button band)

With right side facing, pick up and knit each edge stitch on button side.

K every row for 1-inch and bind off loosely on wrong side



(Add buttonhole band)

With right side facing, pick up and knit each edge stitch on buttonhole side.

K every row for 3/4-inch and follow either I-cord or basic garter buttonhole band instructions.

Basic garter buttonhole band:

Row 1: k to 1/2-in from edge., k2tog, yo, k to 2 3/4-in. from edge, k2tog, yo, k to 5-in. from edge, k2tog, yo, k to 7 1/4-in. from edge, k2tog, yo, k to 9-in. from edge, k2tog, yo, k to end.

Row 2: k

Bind off loosely on wrong side

You can skip the button band altogether and simply garter stitch 5 rows on each front edge or apply an I-cord to each.



I-cord buttonhole band:

Bind off loosely on wrong side

With right side facing, pick up edge sts.

Using dpn, CO3, slide sts to circ needle holding picked up sts

Rnd 1: *k2, yo, k2tog and slide sts back to circ.* repeat to 1/2-in. from edge

Make Buttonhole: k 2 rnds of I-cord without attaching to the picked up sts (*k3, slide to circ* twice) and drop 2 corresponding picked up sts.

Continue applying I-cord and make buttonholes at 2 3/4-in., 5-in., 7 1/4-in. and 9 1/2-in. from edge.

At edge, cut yarn and draw through remaining sts to close I-cord.

Finally, attach buttons to match button hole spacing and weave in ends.