

Twinkle Handknits

kangaroo tunic



K1, P1 RIB

Rnd 1: *K1, p1; rep from * around.

Rnd 2: Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts.

Rep Rnd 2 for pattern.

STOCKINETTE STITCH (St st)

Knit all rnds.

SHORT ROWS

Short rows are made by working part of the way across a row, then turning and working back. However, in order to avoid a hole, you must “wrap” each stitch at the turning point. To wrap a stitch, when the last stitch worked is a knit stitch: Knit to the turning point, slip next stitch onto right hand needle purlwise, turn work, bring yarn back between needles, slip stitch on to right hand needle, work next stitch on left hand needle (knit or purl—if a purl, you’ll have to bring yarn forward between needles again to continue working).

To hide the wraps on a knit row: Pick up the wrap from the front with RH needle and knit together with the st it wraps.

To hide the wraps on a purl row: Pick up the wrap through back of loop with RH needle and purl together with the st it wraps.

BLOCK PATTERN

Work 15 rnds each of color A and B, alternating.

BODY

With B, CO 54 (58, 62, 66) sts, place marker (pm) for beg-of-rnd (BOR), join being careful not to twist sts. Work in K1, P1 Rib for 6 rnds. Change to St st, work 12 rnds, changing colors according to BLOCK PATTERN above.

Dec Rnd (19) [on Back]: Work across 27 (29, 31, 33) sts, pm, k1, dec 1, work to 3 sts before BOR marker, dec 1, k1—52 (56, 60, 64) sts. Work 3 rnds.

POCKET

Rnd 23: Work across 7 (8, 9, 10) sts and place them on first holder. Work 13 sts for front pocket and place rem sts on long holder or waste yarn. Working pocket sts only, work 7 rows in A. Change to B and work 8 rows, end WS row. Place sts on third holder.

Return 7 (8, 9, 10) sts from first holder back to RH needle. With RS facing and pocket in front of work, join new ball of yarn, pick up and knit 13 sts behind first row of pocket sts. Work sts from long holder. Work 2 rnds.

Dec Rnd (26) [on Front]: K1, dec 1, work to 3 sts before next marker, dec 1, work to end—50 (54, 58, 62) sts. Work 6 rnds.

Dec Rnd (33) [on Back]: Work to next marker, k1, dec 1, work to 3 sts before next marker dec 1, k1—48 (52, 56, 60) sts. Work 5 rnds.

JOIN POCKET

Rnd 39: Work across 6 (7, 8, 9) sts. Holding Pocket sts on holder in front of Body sts, *work together one st from Pocket and one st from Body; rep from * across Pocket sts, work to end of rnd.

Dec Rnd (40) [on Front]: Rep Dec Rnd (26)—46 (50, 54, 58) sts. Work 6 rnds.

Dec Rnd (47) [on Back]: Rep Dec Rnd (33)—44 (48, 52, 56) sts. Work 5 rnds. [—23 (25, 27, 29) sts on Front, 21 (23, 25, 27) sts on Back]

SIZES XS (S, M, L)

KNITTED MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 26¹/₂ (29, 31¹/₂, 34)" [67.3 (73.7, 80, 86.4) cm]

Front Length (excluding funnel neck): 30 (30, 30³/₄, 30³/₄)" [76.2 (76.2, 78.1, 78.1) cm]

MATERIALS:

3 (3, 3, 3) skeins of Twinkle Handknits Soft Chunky (100% merino wool; 83 yds/77 m per 200g skein) in Black (A); 3 (3, 3, 3) skeins in Quartz (B) or 187 (196, 206, 217) yds in A and 166 (174, 183, 194) yds in B of any super bulky weight yarn in the colors of your choice.

US size 19 (15mm) 24" (61cm) circular needles

Stitch markers

Stitch holders

Five 1³/₄" buttons

GAUGE

10 sts and 14 rows = 6" (15cm) in St st on size 19 (15mm) needles

NOTE

Sweater is worked in the rnd up to armholes, then divided for Front and Back.

ABBREVIATIONS

BO: Bind off.

BOR: Beginning of round.

CO: Cast On.

Dec: Decrease

K: Knit.

P: Purl.

Pm: Place marker.

Rep: Repeat.

RH: Right hand.

Rnd: Round.

RS: Right Side.

St(s): Stitch(es).

St st: Stockinette Stitch.

WS: Wrong side.

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DIVIDE FOR ARMHOLES

(Work in rows.)

(RS) Dec 1 st, work across 19 (21, 23, 25) sts, dec 1 st—21 (23, 25, 27) sts. Place these sts on holder.

BACK

(RS) Dec 1 st, work across 17 (19, 21, 23) sts, dec 1 st, turn—19 (21, 23, 25) sts. Work 3 rows even. (RS) Dec 1 st each side, this row, then on following 6 (6, 8, 8)th row—15 (17, 19, 21) sts. Work 6 rows even, end RS row, break yarn.

FRONT

(WS) Place sts from holder back on to needle, join new ball of yarn and work 3 rows even. (RS) Dec 1 st each side, this row, then on following 6 (6, 8, 8)th row—17 (19, 21, 23) sts. Work 1 row even, end WS row.

SHAPE NECK

(RS) Work 2 (3, 3, 4) sts, turn, work to end. Work 3 rows, end RS row, place sts on small holder; do not break yarn.

SHORT ROWS FOR FRONT NECKLINE

(RS) Join new ball of yarn, BO 3 sts, knit 3 sts (including last st rem on RH needle from BO), wrap and turn, purl 3 sts. (RS) Knit 2 sts, wrap and turn, purl 2 sts. (RS) Work one row, hiding the wraps. (WS) Purl 8 sts, wrap and turn, knit 8 sts. (WS) Purl 7 sts, wrap and turn, knit to end, ending RS row, break yarn.

JOIN FOR SHOULDERS AND COLLAR

(WS) Work across 2 (3, 3, 4) Neck sts from holder, pm, join and work across 15 (17, 19, 21) Back sts, pm, join and work across 12 (13, 15, 16) Front sts, hiding the wraps, turn. (RS) *Work to 1 st before marker, m1, k1, remove marker, m1; rep from * once, work to end—33 (37, 41, 45) sts. Work even for 20 (20, 22, 22) rows. **Change to K1, P1 Rib**, work even for 4 rows; (WS) BO all sts.

FINISHING

POCKET RIBBING

With RS facing and color A, pick up and knit 13 sts alongside Pocket edge and work K1, P1 Rib for 4 rows. BO all sts. Rep for opposite Pocket edge. Sew edges of Ribbing onto body.

ARMHOLE RIBBING

With RS facing and color A, pick up and knit 30 (30, 32, 32) sts around armhole, work in K1, P1 Rib for 4 rows, BO all sts. Sew up seam.

BUTTON BAND

With RS facing and color A, pick up and knit 23 (23, 24, 24) sts along Left Collar edge, work in K1, P1 Rib for 5 rows. BO all sts. Sew bottom edge of band onto BO sts from Collar split.

BUTTON HOLE BAND

With RS facing and color A, pick up and knit 23 (23, 24, 24) sts along Right Collar edge, work in K1, P1 Rib for 2 rows. **Button Hole Row:** (WS) Work 3 sts, *yo, dec 1, work 2 sts; rep from * 4 times, work to end. Cont in K1, P1 Rib for 2 more rows. BO all sts in patt. Sew bottom edge of band onto BO sts from Collar split, over Button Band. Sew 5 buttons opposite button holes.

