Melody's Makings

Ripple Romper Knitting Pattern



Materials:

- Yarn: Approximately 40 yards of color 1 worsted (4) weight yarn for smaller sizes and approx. 80 yards for larger sizes AND approx. 30 yards of color 2 worsted (4) weight for smaller sizes and 60 yards for larger sizes (I used Premier Yarns Home Cotton)
- Knitting Needles: Size 5.5 mm (US 9) Double Pointed Needles (or use the Magic Loop Method)
 - Yarn or Tapestry Needle

Abbreviations:

- KFB: Knit the next stitch first through the front, and then through the back.
- Make 1: On a knit row: Insert left needle, front to back, under the strand between st on left needle and st on right needle making a new loop on left needle. Knit this loop through the back.
- $ullet^{**}$: Repeat the section in between the two stars as specified

Gauge:

9 sts and 15 rows = 2 inches (5 centimeters) in garter stitch (pattern stitch)
It is important to check your gauge!

Average Baby Waist Sizes:

0-3 Months 13-16" 3-6 Months 14-18" 6-12 Months 16-20"

Newborn/0-3 Month Pattern

Cast on 60 sts with color 1 yarn onto Double Pointed Needles (or use the Magic Loop Method) Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: *K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog* Repeat around (60 total sts)

Round 4: Purl

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Rounds 5-8: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Rounds 9-12: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Continue to repeat Rounds 5-12 until your piece measures approx. 7" (17.75cm) in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks). End on a repeat of rounds 8.

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Round 13: Knit

Continue to knit each round until your piece measures approx. 9 inches (22.75cm) {10 inches (25.5 cm) for 0-3 Month Size} in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks). Cut yarn.

Round 14: Place the next 29 sts on a stitch holder, and work the gusset instructions into the 30^{th} stitch only.

Gusset:

Row 1: KFB (2 total sts)

Row 2: Purl

Row 3. K1, M1, K1 (3 total sts)

Row 4: Purl

Row 5: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1 (5 total sts)

Row 6: Purl

Bind off as if to knit. Cut yarn, leaving a 12 inch yarn tail.

(See Photo 1 for example of gusset at this point)

Return to round 14 and place the next 29 sts on a stitch holder. Work the above gusset instructions into the last stitch of round 14.

(See Photo 2)

Turn your project inside out and use your yarn tails to seam up the two bind off edges of the crotch gussets along the inside edge.

(See Photos 3&4)

First Leg:

Turn your project right side out again.

Return to the first 29 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (35 total sts)

(See Photo 5 for photo of where to pick up extra sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Second Leg:

Return to the second 29 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (35 total sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Cut yarn and secure and weave in all ends.

Straps:

Attach four pieces of color 2 yarn to the top of the romper. There should be two in the front, just on the outside of the peaks, and the second two pieces directly across from those two on the back. Tie two bows with these pieces of yarn that will be on top of the shoulders.

3-6 Month/6-12 Month Pattern

Cast on 72 sts with color 1 yarn onto Double Pointed Needles (or use the Magic Loop Method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: *K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, K2tog* Repeat around (72 total sts)

Round 4: Purl

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Rounds 5-8: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Rounds 9-12: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Continue to repeat Rounds 5-12 until your piece measures approx. 9" (17.75cm) in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks). End on a repeat of rounds 8.

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Round 13: Knit

Continue to knit each round until your piece measures approx. 11 inches (28cm) {12 inches (30.5 cm) for 6-12 Month Size} in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks). Cut yarn.

Round 14: Place the next 35 sts on a stitch holder, and work the gusset instructions into the 36^{th} stitch only.

Gusset:

Row 1: KFB (2 total sts)

Row 2: Purl

Row 3. K1, M1, K1 (3 total sts)

Row 4: Purl

Row 5: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1 (5 total sts)

Row 6: Purl

Bind off as if to knit. Cut yarn, leaving a 12 inch yarn tail.

(See Photo 1 for example of crotch gusset at this point)

Return to round 14 and place the next 35 sts on a stitch holder. Work the above gusset instructions into the last stitch of round 14.

(See Photo 2)

Turn your project inside out and use your yarn tails to seam up the two bind off edges of the crotch gussets along the inside edge.

(See Photos 3&4)

First Leg:

Turn your project right side out again.

Return to the first 35 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (41 total sts)

(See Photo 5 for photo of where to pick up extra sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Second Leg:

Return to the second 35 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (41 total sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Round 6: Purl

Round 7: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Cut yarn and secure and weave in all ends.

Straps:

Attach four pieces of color 2 yarn to the top of the romper. There should be two in the front, just on the outside of the peaks, and the second two pieces directly across from those two on the back. Tie two bows with these pieces of yarn that will be on top of the shoulders.

1-2 Year Pattern

Cast on 84 sts with color 1 yarn onto Double Pointed Needles (or use the Magic Loop Method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: *K2tog, K2tog, K2tog, KK1, YO} Repeat 3 more times, K2tog, K2tog* Repeat around (84 total sts)

Round 4: Purl

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Rounds 5-8: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Rounds 9-12: Repeat rounds 1-4

Drop color 1 yarn and pick up color 2 yarn

Continue to repeat Rounds 5-12 until your piece measures approx. 11" (28cm) in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks). End on a repeat of rounds 8.

Drop color 2 yarn and pick up color 1 yarn

Round 13: Knit

Continue to knit each round until your piece measures approx. 13 inches (33cm) in length from the cast on edge (measured from one of the peaks).

Cut yarn.

Round 14: Place the next 41 sts on a stitch holder, and work the gusset instructions into the 42^{nd} stitch only.

Gusset:

Row 1: KFB (2 total sts)

Row 2: Purl

Row 3. K1, M1, K1 (3 total sts)

Row 4: Purl

Row 5: K1, M1, K1, M1, K1 (5 total sts)

Row 6: Purl

Bind off as if to knit. Cut yarn, leaving a 12 inch yarn tail.

(See photo 1 for example at this point)

Return to round 14 and place the next 41 sts on a stitch holder. Work the above gusset instructions into the last stitch of round 14.

(See photo 2)

Turn your project inside out and use your yarn tails to seam up the two bind off edges of the crotch gussets along the inside edge.

(See photos 3&4)

First Leg:

Turn your project right side out again.

Return to the first 41 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (47 total sts)

(See photo 4 for photo of where to pick up extra sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Second Leg:

Return to the second 41 sts you placed on a stitch holder.

Round 1: Knit each stitch around, then pick up and knit 6 extra sts (one every other row) along the edge of the crochet gusset. (47 total sts)

Join in the round and place stitch marker.

Round 2: Purl

Round 3: Knit

Round 4: Purl

Round 5: Knit

Round 6: Purl

Round 7: Knit

Round 8: Purl

Round 9: Knit

Bind off as if to purl.

Cut yarn and secure and weave in all ends.

Straps:

Attach four pieces of color 2 yarn to the top of the romper. There should be two in the front, just on the outside of the peaks, and the second two pieces directly across from those two on the back. Tie two bows with these pieces of yarn that will be on top of the shoulders.

Sample Gusset Photos



Photo 1 – Sample of what gusset will look like after creating 1 side. This is a crochet gusset, so it has no stitch holders.



Photo 2 – Sample of what gusset will look like after creating both sides. This is a crochet gusset, so once again, no stitch holders.



Photo 3 – Sample of seaming up the gusset. Work has been turned inside out at this point.



Photo 4 – Sample of seamed up crotch gusset.



Photo 5 – Shows where to pick up extra sts. Pick up the extra sts from the edge of crotch gusset for each leg.

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