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Buddy Friend cardigan

Skill level – Beginner/Easy

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Technique:	Purl stitch
Brand:	Patons
Crafting time:	Day
Theme:	Baby

Size

Months	0	3	6	9	12	18
To fit underarm						
cm	35	40	45	47	50	53
ins	14	16	18	18 ½	19 ½	21
Actual size (at underarm)						
cm	38	43	49	51	55	58
ins	15	17	19 ½	20	21 ½	23
Length (approx)						
cm	21	25	27	30	31	33
ins	8	10	10 ½	12	12	13
Sleeve length (approx)						
cm	11	14	15	17	18	19
ins	4 ½	5 ½	6	6 ½	7	7 ½

Yarn

Diploma Gold 4 PLY 50g balls

Navy #4287 (MC)						
x 50g	1	1	1	1	1	1
Violet #4295 (C1)						
x 50g	1	1	1	1	2	2
Delphinium #4299 (C2)						
x 50g	1	1	1	1	2	2
Cyclamen #4226 (C3)						
x 50g	1	1	1	1	2	2
Cream #4282 (C4)						
x 50g	1	1	1	1	2	2

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Additional requirements

1 pair each 3.25mm (UK 10) (US 3) and 2.75mm (UK 12) (US 2)
Knitting Needles.
A Wool Needle for sewing seams
1 Stitch Holder.
5 (6-6-7-7-8) Coats Buttons (#0872)

Knitting abbreviations:

K	= knit
P	= purl
alt	= alternate
beg	= begin or beginning
cont	= continue
dec	= decrease, decreased, decreases or decreasing
foll	= following or follows
garter st	= every row knit
inc	= increase, increased, increases or increasing
incl	= including or inclusive
patt	= pattern
psso	= pass slipped stitch(es) over
purl fabric	= 1 row purl, 1 row knit (purl side is right side)
rem	= remain, remains, remainder or remaining
rep	= repeat
sl	= slip (slip all stitches knitways, unless stated otherwise)
stocking st	= 1 row knit, 1 row purl (knit side is right side)

st, sts	= stitch or stitches
tbl	= through back of loop(s)
tog	= together
cm	= centimetre(s)
mm	= millimetre(s)
ins	= inches
0	= no rows, stitches or times
ybk	= yarn back – take yarn under needle from purling position into knitting position.
yft	= yarn front – bring yarn under needle from knitting position into purling position.
yfwd	= yarn forward – bring yarn under needle, then over into knitting position again, thus making a stitch.
yon	= yarn over needle – take yarn over top of needle into knitting position, thus making a stitch.
yrn	= yarn round needle – take yarn right round needle into purling position, thus making a stitch.

NOTE: When instructions read – "Cast off 2 sts" (or similar stitches), the stitch left on the right hand needle, after casting off, is counted as one stitch.

M1	= Make 1 – pick up loop which lies before next stitch, place on left hand needle and knit (or purl) into back of loop.

Tension

With Correct Yarn and Tension, your garment will look like our photograph.
28 sts and 36 rows to 10 cm over stocking st, using 3.25mm Needles.
To work a 15 cm x 15 cm tension square, use 3.25mm Needles, cast on 42 sts. Work 54 rows stocking st.
Cast off loosely.
Please check your tension carefully. If less sts use smaller needles, if more sts use bigger needles.

Instructions:

Back
Using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, cast on 55 (**63**-71-**73**-79-**83**) sts.
1st row - K1, * P1, K1, rep from * to end.
Rep 1st row for moss st 12 times ... 13 rows moss st in all.
Next row - Purl.
Change to 3.25mm Needles and **beg stripe patt.**
1st row (right side) - K1**C1**, * sl 1 purlways, K1**C1**, rep from * to end.
2nd row - K1**C1**, * yft, sl 1 purlways, ybk, K1**C1**, rep from * to end. Break off **MC**.
Using **C1**, work 10 (**14**-16-**18**-20-**22**) rows stocking st.
Break off **C1**.
Using **C2** in place of C1, rep 1st and 2nd rows once.
Using **C2**, work 10 (**14**-16-**18**-20-**22**) rows stocking st.
Break off **C2**.
Using **C3** in place of C1, rep 1st and 2nd rows once.

Using **C3**, work 4 (**8**-8-**10**-10-**10**) rows stocking st.

Shape armholes
Using **C3** and working in stocking st, cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows ... 51 (**59**-67-**69**-75-**79**) sts.
Dec one st at each end of next row, then in every foll alt row 1 (1-2-**2**-3-**4**) time/s ... 47 (**55**-61-**63**-67-**69**) sts.
Next row - Purl. Break off **C3**.
Next row - K1 (1-**2**-**2**-1-**2**) **C4**, * sl 1 purlways, K1**C4**, rep from * to last 0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) st/s, K0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) **C4**.
Next row - K1 (1-**2**-**2**-1-**2**) **C4**, * yft, sl 1 purlways, ybk, K1**C4**, rep from * to last 0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) st/s, K0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) **C4**.
Using **C4** and working in stocking st for rem, cont until **armhole** measures 10 (**11**-12-**13**-13-**14**) cm, ending with a purl row.

Shape shoulders
Cast off 4 (**5**-5-**6**-6-**6**) sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 3 (**4**-6-**5**-7-**7**) sts at beg of foll 2 rows.
Leave rem 25 (**27**-29-**29**-29-**31**) sts on a stitch holder.

Left front
Using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, cast on 27 (**31**-35-**37**-39-**41**) sts.
Work 13 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
Next row - Purl.
Change to 3.25mm Needles and **beg stripe patt**.
Work same amount of stripe patt rows as for Back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with same row. **

Shape armhole
Using **C3** and working in stocking st, cast off 2 sts at beg of next row ... 25 (**29**-33-**35**-37-**39**) sts.
Dec one st at armhole edge in every foll alt row 2 (2-3-**3**-4-**5**) times ... 23 (**27**-30-**32**-33-**34**) sts.
Next row - Purl. Break off **C3**.
Next row - K1 (1-**2**-**2**-1-**2**) **C4**, * sl 1 purlways, K1**C4**, rep from * to end.
Next row - K1**C4**, * yft, sl 1 purlways, ybk, K1**C4**, rep from * to last 0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) st/s, K0 (**0**-1-**1**-0-**1**) **C4**.
Using **C4** and working in stocking st for rem, cont until there are 14 (**14**-14-**16**-16-**18**) rows less than Back to beg of shoulder shaping, ending with a purl row.
Work 1 row.

Shape neck
Next row (wrong side) - Cast off 6 (**7**-7-**7**-7-**7**) sts, purl to end ... 17 (**20**-23-**25**-26-**27**) sts.
Dec one st at neck edge in every row until 14 (**17**-18-**20**-23-**24**) sts rem, then in every foll alt row until 11 (**14**-16-**17**-19-**19**) sts rem.
Work 3 rows without shaping.

Shape shoulder
Cast off 4 (**5**-5-**6**-6-**6**) sts at beg of next row and foll alt row.
Work 1 row. Cast off rem 3 (**4**-6-**5**-7-**7**) sts.

Right front
Work as for Left Front to **.
Using **C3** and working in stocking st, work 1 row.

Shape armhole
Cast off 2 sts at beg of next row ... 25 (**29**-33-**35**-37-**39**) sts.
Dec one st at armhole edge in next row, then in every foll alt row 1 (1-2-**2**-3-**4**) time/s ... 23 (**27**-30-**32**-33-**34**) sts.
Next row - Purl. Break off **C3**.
Next row - * K1**C4**, sl 1 purlways, rep from * to last 1 (**1**-2-**2**-1-**2**) st/s, K1 (1-2-**2**-1-**2**) **C4**.
Next row - K1 (1-**2**-**2**-1-**2**) **C4**, * yft, sl 1 purlways, ybk, K1**C4**, rep from * to end.
Using **C4** and working in stocking st for rem, cont until there are 14 (**14**-14-**16**-16-**18**) rows less than Back to beg of shoulder shaping, ending with a purl row.

Shape neck
Next row (right side) - Cast off 6 (**7**-7-**7**-7-**7**) sts, knit to end ... 17 (**20**-23-**25**-26-**27**) sts.
Work 1 row.
Dec one st at neck edge in every row until 14 (**17**-18-**20**-23-**24**) sts rem, then in every foll alt row until 11 (**14**-16-**17**-19-**19**) sts rem.
Work 4 rows without shaping.

Shape shoulder
Cast off 4 (**5**-5-**6**-6-**6**) sts at beg of next row and foll alt row.
Work 1 row. Cast off rem 3 (**4**-6-**5**-7-**7**) sts.

Sleeves
Using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, cast on 35 (**35**-37-**39**-39-**41**) sts.
Work 13 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
Next row - Purl.
Change to 3.25mm Needles and **beg stripe patt**.
Work same amount of stripe patt rows as for Back to beg of armhole shaping, ending with same row (noting that sts will be inc), AT SAME TIME inc one st at each end of 3rd row, then in every foll 4th row 3 (**4**-6-**7**-8-**6**) times, then in every foll 6th row 2 (**2**-2-**2**-2-**4**) times ... 47 (**49**-55-**59**-61-**63**) sts.

Shape top
Using **C3** and working in stocking st for rem, cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows ... 43 (**45**-51-**55**-57-**59**) sts.
Dec one st at each end of next row, then in every foll alt row 1 (**1**-2-**2**-3-**4**) time/s ... 39 (**41**-45-**49**-49-**49**) sts.
Work 1 row. Cast off rem sts loosely.

Neckband
Patons recommends using Mattress Stitch Seam.
Join shoulder seams. With right side facing, using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, knit up 16 (**18**-18-**20**-20-**22**) sts evenly along right side of neck, knit across sts from back stitch holder, then knit up 16 (**18**-18-**20**-20-**22**) sts evenly along left side of neck ... 57 (**63**-65-**69**-69-**75**) sts.
Work 13 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
Cast off loosely in moss st.

Right front band
With right side facing, using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, knit up 57 (**69**-69-**81**-81-**93**) sts evenly along right front edge and side edge of neckband.
If making for Girl - Work 5 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
6th row - Moss 4, cast off 2 sts, * moss 10, cast off 2 sts, rep from * to last 3 sts, moss 3.
7th row - Moss 3, turn, cast on 2 sts, turn, * moss 10, turn, cast on 2 sts, turn, rep from * to last 4 sts, moss 4 ... 5 (**6**-6-**7**-7-**8**) buttonholes in all.
Work 6 rows moss st.
Cast off loosely in moss st.
If making for Boy - Work 13 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
Cast off loosely in moss st.

Left front band
With right side facing, using 2.75mm Needles and **MC**, knit up 57 (**69**-69-**81**-81-**93**) sts evenly along side edge of neckband and left front edge.
If making for Girl - Work 13 rows moss st as for lower band of Back. Cast off loosely in moss st.
If making for Boy - Work 5 rows moss st as for lower band of Back.
6th row - Moss 4, cast off 2 sts, * moss 10, cast off 2 sts, rep from * to last 3 sts, moss 3.
7th row - Moss 3, turn, cast on 2 sts, turn, * moss 10, turn, cast on 2 sts, turn, rep from * to last 4 sts, moss 4 ... 5 (**6**-6-**7**-7-**8**) buttonholes in all.
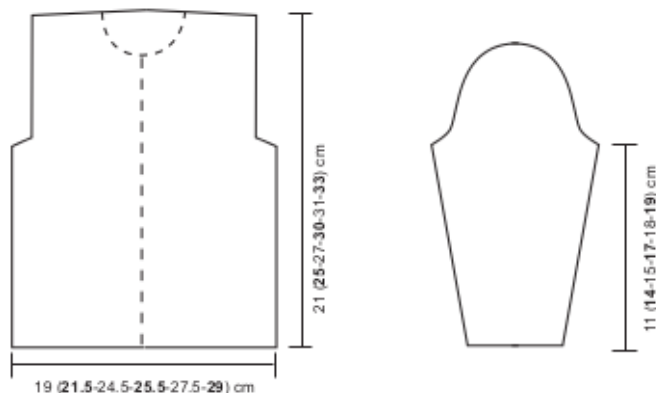Work 6 rows moss st. Cast off loosely in moss st.

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Make up
Patons recommends using Mattress Stitch Seam.
Join side and sleeve seams, matching colour changes. Sew in sleeves, easing to fit. Sew front bands in position. Sew on buttons. Sew in all ends.

21 (25-27-**30**-31-**33**) cm

19 (21.5-24.5-**25.5**-27.5-**29**) cm

11 (**14**-15-**17**-18-**19**) cm

Mattress stitch seam
This seam is worked from the right side and enables the matching of stripes and fancy patterns.

1. With right sides facing, lay the pieces to be joined side by side on a flat surface. Thread a wool needle with the yarn to sew the seam. Insert the wool needle from the wrong side, up to the right side between the edge stitch and second stitch in the first row. Draw thread up, leaving an end approx. 15 cm long (to be sewn in later).

2. Insert the wool needle down between the corresponding edge stitch and second stitch in the first row on the opposite piece, pass the needle under the loops of 2 rows and bring it up to the front of work. Draw up thread loosely. Return to the first piece and insert the wool needle down in the same space that the last stitch came out of and pass it under the loops of 2 rows and bring it up to the front of work. Draw up thread loosely.

3. Repeat this zig zag action, always taking the needle under loops that correspond exactly to the opposite side. Work loosely, leaving seam stitches approx. 1 cm wide. When seam is about 2 cm long, pull thread gently to close seam. When seam is complete, sew in ends.

Note – Always keep work elastic - there should be as much stretch in your seam as there is in the rest of the garment.