

Design 6741 Playsuit



Size: 62/68 [3/6 months] and 74/80 [9/12 months]
 Directions for the smaller size are before the stroke, with larger sizes behind. If there is only one figure, it applies to all sizes. All measurements are in centimeters (cm). For approximate inch sizes simply multiply by 0.4 (or divide by 2.54).

Materials: Schachenmayr Merino Extrafine 120, 150(175)g cream #00102, and 50g canary #00121. 3-4mm [US 3-6] needles and one 3-3.5mm [US D/3-E/4] crochet hook, or size to obtain gauge, plus 15 mother-of-pearl buttons.

Rib pattern: alt K1, P1.

Stockinette stitch (st-st): K RS rows; P WS rows.

Stripes: alt 2 rows canary, 4 rows cream.

Gauge: 22 sts. and 30 rows st-st, each to 10cm [4"] on 3-4mm needles.

METHOD

Back: start with the legs as foll: for right half of leg cast on 28(31) sts. canary and for cuff work in rib patt 1 WS row canary and 6 rows cream. Cont in st-st 6 rows cream, cont with stripes. At the same time, inc for leg shaping at right side

edge 1 st. on 5th row from cuff once, then 1 st. on every 6th row 5 times (1 st. alt on every 4th and 6th row 7 times), and at the same time inc at left edge 1 st. on 11(13)th row once, then 1 st. on 12(14)th foll row once = 36(41) sts. When work measures 12(14)cm (= 36(42) rows) from cuff slip all sts. onto a holder and work left half alike. Cont over sts. for half of right leg, cast on 4 sts. anew for crotch, then cont over sts. for half of left leg, and cont with stripes over 76(86) sts. in st-st. At the same time bind off for side shaping 1 st. 18(20)cm (= 54(60) rows) from crotch once, then 1 st. on every 6th row 5(7) times = 64(70) sts. When work measures 31(35)cm (= 92 (106) rows) from cuff bind off for armholes at each end 3 sts. once, then on every 2nd row 2 sts. once and 1 st. once = 52(58) sts.

When work measures 42(48)cm (= 126 (144) rows) from leg cuffs bind off 24 center sts. for neck and cont for 2cm in rib patt over rem 14(17) sts. on either side for shoulder underlaps, then bind off all sts. Total height of work = 46(52)cm.

Front: proceed as for back except for neck, and with 2 buttonholes below each shoulder. When work measures 36.5(42.5)cm (=110(128) rows) from leg cuff cast on 8 sts. at center of neck and finish each side sep. At neck edge bind off on every 2nd row 4 sts. once, 2 sts. once and 1 st. twice = 14(17) shoulder sts. on either side.

At the same time, when work measures 3cm (= 10 rows) from start of neck shaping make buttonholes in right half as foll: work selva ge st. and 2(3) in patt, K2 tog, yarn-over, 4(5) sts. in patt, K2 tog, yarn-over, 2(3) in patt, selva ge st.; over left half work selva ge st., 2(3) in patt, yarn-over, K2 tog, 4(5) sts. in patt, yarn-over, K2 tog, 2(3) sts. in patt, selva ge st. On foll WS row P all yarn-overs. When work measures 42(48)cm (= 126(144) rows) from leg cuff bind off all shoulder sts. Total height of work = 44(50)cm.

Sleeves (both alike) cast on 38(42) sts. canary and work cuff as for back. Cont in st-st 6 rows cream, then work stripes. At the same time inc for sleeve shaping at each end 1 st. on 7(5)th row from cuff once, then 1 st. on every 6(8)th row 5 times = 50(54) sts.

When work measures 14.5(16.5)cm (= 44(50) rows) from cuff bind off for sleeve cap at each end 3 sts. once, then on every 2nd row 2 sts. once, 1 st. once, then bind off rem 38(42) sts. Total height of work = 18.5(20.5)cm.

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Finishing: block pieces to measurements, cover with a damp cloth and allow to dry.

For back neck band pick up 45 sts. cream along outer neck edge and side edges of underlaps of back, P 1 WS row, work 2 rows st-st and 7 rows rib patt; start with edge st., P1, then bind off all sts. with canary. Work front neck band alike over 45 sts., but with 2 buttonholes on either side as foll: on 6th row work edge st. and P1, then slip next st. knitwise, K1, pass slipped st. over, yarn-over; work to 4 from end of row, then yarn-over, K2 tog, P1, edge st. K yarn-overs on foll row. Crochet 1 row sc [UK = dc] canary along side edges of bands.

Bring underlaps of back under front shoulders. Sew sleeves in position, close sleeve, side and outer leg seams. For leg and crotch bands pick up 35(40) sts. along each inner leg shaping and 5 sts. along crotch = 75(85) sts. cream and work bands as for neck bands, but starting rib patt with selvage st., K1. Make 9 buttonholes into front band as foll: work selvage st. and 3(1) in patt, *K2 tog, yarn-over, 6(8) in patt, rep 7 times from *, yarn-over, K2 tog, 4(0) in patt, selvage st. K yarn-overs on foll row. Sew on buttons.

