Strawberry Hill

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Technique used: Knit

Naturally Caron.com Spa
75% microdenier acrylic, 25%Bamboo, 3 oz/85 g, 251 yds/230 m ball): 9 (12, 15) oz

Shown in: #0001 Rose Bisque

One pair size US 7 (4.5 mm), or size to obtain gauge

One pair size US 6 (4 mm)

3 (3, 4) buttons—3/4” diameter

Yarn needle

SIZES: Toddler’s 2 (3–4, 5–6)

KNITTED MEASUREMENTS:

Chest 24 (26, 28)"/61 (66, 71) cm

Length 13 (15, 17 1/2")/33 (38, 44.5) cm

GAUGE

In Stockinette stitch, using US size 7 (4.5 mm) needles, 20 sts and 24 rows = 4"/10 cm

STITCHES USED

Garter stitch (Garter st)

Stockinette stitch (St st)

Twist to left (TL): Skip first st, knit in back of second st on left-hand needle, knit in first st and slip both sts
Twist to right (TR): Skip first st, knit in front of second st on left-hand needle, knit in first st and slip both sts to right-hand needle.

Smock Pattern (multiple of 4 sts plus 2)

Row 1 (RS): K1, *k1, p2, k1; repeat from * across, end with k1.
Row 2 (WS): P1, *p1, k2, p1; repeat from * across, end with p1.
Row 3 (RS): K1, *TL, TR; repeat from * across, end with k1.
Row 4: P1, *k1, p2, k1; repeat from * across, end with p1.
Row 5: K1, p1, *TR, p2; repeat from * across, end with TR, p1, k1.
Row 6: P1, *k1, p2, k1; repeat from * across, end with p1.
Row 7: K1, *TR, TL; repeat from * across, end with p1.
Rows 8, 10, 12 and 14: *P2, k2; repeat from * across, end with P2.
Row 9, 11 and 13: *K2, p2; repeat from * across, end with K2.

Repeat Rows 1-14 for smock pattern

BACK
Using size 6 needles, cast on 90 (98, 106) sts. Knit 4 rows. Change to size 7 needles. Work even in St st until piece measures 7 1/2 (9, 11)" from beginning, end with a WS and decrease 32 (36, 40) sts evenly across last row—58 (62, 66) sts. Begin smock pattern and work until piece measures 8 1/2 (10, 12)" from beginning, end with a WS row.

Shape Armholes
Continuing in smock pattern, bind off 4 (4, 4) sts at beg of next 2 rows—50 (54, 58) sts.
Work even until armhole measures 4 1/2 (5, 5 1/2)"; end with a WS.
Bind off loosely.

LEFT FRONT
Using size 6 needles, cast on 44 (48, 52) sts. Knit 4 rows. Change to size 7 needles. Work even in St st until piece measures 7 1/2 (9, 11)" from beginning, end with a WS row and decrease 14 (14, 14) sts evenly across last row—30 (34, 38) sts. Begin smock pattern and work until piece measures 8 1/2 (10, 12)" from beginning, end with a WS row.

Shape Armhole
Continuing in smock pattern, bind off 4 (4, 4) sts at armhole edge once—26 (30, 34) sts.
Work until armhole measures 2 1/2 (3, 3)" from beginning, end with a RS row.
Shape Neck
(WS) Bind off 6 (7, 8) sts, work in pattern to end—20 (23, 26) sts.
At neck edge, decrease 1 st every other row 5 (5, 5) times—15 (18, 21) sts.
Work even until armhole measures same as Back to shoulder.
Bind off loosely.

RIGHT FRONT
Work as for Left Front, reversing all shaping.

SLEEVES
Using size 6 needles, cast on 34 (34, 36) sts. Knit 4 rows. Change to size 7 needles. Work even in St st until piece measures 2" from beginning, end with WS row. Increase 1 st each side of next RS row, then every 6 rows 4 (5, 6) times—44 (46, 50) sts. Work even until piece measures 7 (9, 11)" from beginning, end with a WS row.
Shape Cap
Continuing in St st, bind off 4 (4, 4) sts at beg of next 2 rows—36 (38, 42) sts.
Decrease 1 st each side of next RS row, then every other row 6 (7, 7) times—22 (22, 26) sts.

**Next row (RS):** K1, k2tog across, end with k1—12 (12, 14)

Purl next row.

**Next row (RS):** K2tog across.

Bind off sts purlwise.

**FINISHING**

Block pieces to measurements. Sew shoulder seams. Set in Sleeves; sew sleeve and side seams.

**Button Band**

With RS facing, using smaller needles, pick up and k 58 (66, 74) sts along Left Front edge.

Knit 3 rows.

Work in k2, p2 rib for 4 rows.

Knit 3 rows

Bind off sts knitwise.

**Buttonhole Band**

Place markers for 3 (3, 4) buttonholes on Right Front edge along smocked section, with first one 1/2” from neck edge. Work first 5 rows as for Button Band.

**Next row:** *Work in pattern to marker, k2tog, yo; repeat from * for remaining buttonholes, work in pattern to end.

Work remainder of band as for Button Band.

Sew buttons to Button Band opposite buttonholes.

**Collar**

With RS facing, using size 6 needles, pick up and k 52 (56, 60) sts around neck edge.

**Row 1:** Knit

**Row 2:** K3, purl across to last 3 sts, k3.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 a total of 3 (4, 5) times.

**Next row:** Knit, increasing 10 (10 12) sts evenly across row.

With size 7 needles, bind off sts knitwise.

Using yarn needle, weave in ends.