

MATERIALS:

Knitting worsted weight yarn (approx 185 m / 200 yards) US Size 6 knitting needles US Size 7 knitting needles

SIZES:

6 mos (12mos - 18 mos - 24 mos)

GAUGE:

20 sts and 26 rows = 4 inches

SKILLS: Knit, Purl, working short rows, w1 (wrap 1 stitch)



LEG (make two):

With smaller needles cast on 38 (42-42-46) stitches.

Row 1: *K2, P2* across to last 2 stitches, K2.

Row 2: *P2, K2* across to last 2 stitches, P2.

Rows 3-10: repeat Rows 1 and 2 alternately.

**On last row of ribbing increase 0 (0-1-1) stitch at the beginning and end of the row. [38 (42-44-46) sts.]

Change to larger needles and working in Stockinette Stitch (knit 1 row, purl 1 row), increasing 1 stitch at beginning and end of each 4th row until there are 58 (58-58-52) sts.

Sizes 12, 18 and 24 mos only: continue in Stockinette Stitch, increasing one stitch at beginning and end of each 6th row until there are (62-66-70) sts.

Continue knitting even in Stockinette Stitch until piece measure 8" (9"-101/2"-12") from beginning.

SHAPE CROTCH:

Continuing in Stockinette Stitch, bind off 3 (3-3-4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows; then decrease 1 stitch at beginning and end of the each knit row until there are 46 (50-54-56) stitches remaining. End with a purl (wrong side) row.

Slip these stitches onto a holder and make a second leg identical to the first.

TRUNK:

Transfer all stitches from both legs onto one needle. Knit across all 92 (100-108-112) stitches, joining the two legs.

Continue working even in Stockinette Stitch until the piece measure 12½" (14-16-18) inches from the bottom of the cuff.

SHAPE TOP: (this involves working short rows.)

Row 1: Knit 12 (12-14-14) sts, w1. Turn.

Row 2: Purl to end.

Row 3: Knit 24 (24-28-28) sts, w1. Turn.

Row 4: Purl to end.

Row 5: Knit 36 (36-42-42 sts)

Row 6: Purl to end.

Row 7: Knit across entire row (all stitches on the needles).

Row 8: Purl 36 (36-42-42) sts, w1. Turn.

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Row 9: Knit to end.

Row 10: Purl 24 (24-28-28) sts, w1. Turn.

Row 11: Knit to end.

Row 12: Purl 12 (12-14-14) sts, w1. Turn.

Row 13: Knit to end.

Row 14: Purl across entire row (all stitches on the needles).

WAISTBAND:

Change to smaller needles.

Work 10 rows of K2-P2 ribbing, working eyelets into Row 5 as follows:

Row 5: *K2, P2tog, YO* to last 4 sts, K2, P2

Bind off loosely in ribbing.

FINISHING:

Sew front crotch seam and back seam.

Sew leg seams.

Thread a ribbon, a crocheted cord, or elastic through the holes in the center of the waistband.



How to W1: Work to turning point, bring yarn to the front. Slip the next stitch on your left needle purl-wise. Return yarn to back. Return slipped stitch back to the left needle