

Child's Placket Pullover with Collar, by Kay Heltmach (KayL Designs)



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See Chart A, page 3 for recommended yarn and needle choices for desired size

Larger size circular needle - 32" for body

Smaller size circular needle – 32" for body ribbing

Larger size, shorter length circular needle - 12" or 16" for sleeves (optional)

Larger size double point needles for sleeves - also used for joining placket stitches

Smaller size double point needles for cuffs

Crochet hook for ease of adding the underarm knitted cast-on stitches and picking up stitches (optional)

2- 3 buttons (three quarters inch – 1 inch) depending on size of garment and length of placket)

M1 stitch – lift bar between stitches with left needle front to back & knit thru back loop with right needle

SS – slip stitch as to purl with yarn in front for neat edge

pm – place marker **sm** – slip marker

Sizes: 1-2 year (2-3 year, 4-6 year, 10-12 year)

With Larger circular needle from chart : Cast-on 55 (55, 55, 55) stitches

Collar: Row 1 - Slip first stitch as to purl with yarn in front and knit to end of row

Row 2 thru 17 – repeat Row 1 (**Note: add four extra knit rows for size 10-12**)

Body: Row 18 – Cast on 3 stitches (use knit cast on method), K6 (including the 3 new stitches), pm, K5, pm, K11, pm, K17, pm, K11, pm, K5, pm, K3, cast-on 3 new stitches (61 stitches)
(cast on reference <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nJKC2xT0Q4>)

Row 19 – SS, K5, sm, purl to last marker, sm, K6

Row 20 – **First Increase Row:**

SS, K5, sm, [knit to one stitch from next marker, M1, K1, sm, K1, M1] repeat 3 times, knit to last marker, sm, k6

Row 21 – SS, K5, sm, purl to last marker, sm, K6

Row 22 – **Boy Left Front - Buttonhole Row:**

SS, K2, Y/O, K2 together, K1, sm, [knit to one stitch from first marker, M1, K1, sm, K1, M1] repeat 3 more times, knit to last marker, sm, k6

Girl Right Front - Buttonhole Row:

K6, sm, [knit to one stitch from first marker, M1, K1, sm, K1, M1] repeat 3 more times, knit to last marker, sm, K1, K2 together, Y/O, K3

Note: on purl row following buttonhole row, knit into back of the Y/O stitch for neater buttonhole

Row 23 – Repeat Row 19

Repeat Rows 20 & 21: 14 more times - Knit Buttonhole Row for Row 20 at Repeats 7 & 12

Stitch total 181: 6 placket, 20 front, 41 sleeve, 47 back, 41 sleeve, 20 front, 6 placket

Dividing Row: Slip stitch, K5, sm, K20, remove marker, place 41 sleeve stitches on piece of yarn, cast-on 2 stitches, knit to next marker and remove, place 2nd set of 41 sleeve stitches on yarn, cast-on 2 stitches, knit to end slipping last marker as you come to it (103 stitches)

Note: Cast-on is best done by turning work to wrong side and knitting on the new stitches

Next Row: Repeat Row 19

Joining Row: Place each set of 6 placket stitches on a separate larger dp needle (remaining stitches stay on circular needle.) Place the Wrong Side of placket with buttonholes (with dp needle attached) on top of the Right Side of placket without buttonholes (with dp attached). Holding needles together, one on top of the other as placed with working yarn to the right, use a third dp needle to knit the two sets of stitches together. Working right to left as usual, knit a stitch from each needle as a single stitch until all 6 stitches are joined. Place joined 6 stitches back on end of the circular needle to your right. Working yarn is now to left of joined placket. Place a marker and begin knitting in the round maintaining the garter stitch pattern for the 6 placket stitches for next 2 rounds. **Continue** to knit in the round until body is 2" less than desired length, knitting together the last two stitches before the marker (96 stitches).(see Chart A for total body length of size being knit)

Change to smaller circular needle from chart for ribbing

Keeping round marker in place, rib in *K2, P2* for 2" (2", 2", 2.5")

: Remove marker and bind-off loosely: with Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind-off

<http://knitty.com/ISSUEfall09/FEATjssbo.php>

Sleeves: Place sleeve stitches on shorter large circular needle or dp and pick up 4 (4, 4, 6) stitches from underarm of body – total of 45 (45, 45, 47) stitches. Place marker for beginning of round centered between picked up stitches and knit in the round decreasing 2 stitches every 2" x 3 (3, 4, 6) times as follows: *3 stitches before marker K2 tog, K1, sm, K1, K2tog.* Continue knitting until sleeve measures a minimum of 6.75" (7.75", 9.25", 13.25"). Next round evenly decrease 7 (7, 5, 3) more stitches (32 stitches remain). Sleeve should now measure a minimum of 7" (8", 9.5", 13.5") from underarm.

Next row: Knit one row even

Change to smaller double points from chart for ribbing

Rib *K2,P2* for 2" (2", 2", 2.5")

Bind-off loosely. Jeny's bind-off as for body - cuff needs to be stretchy.

Sew on buttons. Weave in loose ends.

<http://www.clearwaterknits.com/info/children.html> reference]

<http://knitty.com/ISSUEfall09/FEATjssbo.php> for Jeny's surprisingly easy bind-off

Chart A – size choices with suggested yarn weights and yardage. Gauges are approximate and will vary with yarn selected. Body length is measured from shoulder. Sleeve length is measured from underarm and includes cuff.

Size	Chest	Minimum Minimum		Center Back to cuff edge	Gauge per 4 in	Needle Size	Yarn 1 plus Yarn 2
		Body Length	Sleeve Length				
Child 1-2 Yr	23"-25"	14.5"	9"	18"	20S 26R	US #6 US #7	Worsted – approx. 350 yd
Child 2-3 Yr	24"-25"	15.5"	10"	19.5"	16S 22R	US #7 US #8	Worsted – approx. 400 yd Sock – approx 400 yd
Child 4 - 6 Yr	27"-28"	17"	11.5"	20.5"	15 S 21 R	US #8 US #9	Aran – approx 500 yd Sock – approx 500 yd OR USE Worsted plus Sport
Child 10-12 Yr	31"-32"	21"	16"	28"	14 S 20 R	US #8 US #9	Worsted – 600 yd minimum Worsted – 600 yd minimum
Child 12-14 Yr	33 - 34"	22.5"	16.5"	28"	13 S 19 R	US #9 US #10	Aran – 700 yd minimum Worsted – 700 yd minimum
