

**ENCORE WORSTED COLORSPUN  
Baby Cardigan and Hat**



**CARDIGAN:**

**Size:** 0-3 months (6-9 months, 12 months).

**Finishes:** 18 (20, 22)" Chest.

Length: 10 (11, 12)"

**Materials:** Encore Worsted Colorspun: 2, (2, 3) 100g balls, shown in color 7203

**Needles/Notions:** Size US 5 & US 7 5 buttons

**Gauge:** 5 sts = 1" over st st on size 7 needles.

**1X1 Ribbing (worked flat):**

Row 1(RS): P1, \*(k1, p1) repeat from \* to end of row.

Row 2(WS): K1, \*(p1, k1) repeat from \* to end of row.

Repeat rows 1 & 2 for ribbing.

**Note:** Begin both fronts at same color point in the yarn (if desired). Begin both sleeves at same color point in the yarn (if desired).

**Right Front:** With smaller needles, cast on 23 (25, 27) sts. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 8 rows, increasing evenly across the last row to 24(27, 29) sts. Change to larger needles and work in st st until piece measures 7½ (8½, 9½)", ending with a WS row. Begin Neck Shaping: At neck edge, bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, work to end of row. Then decrease 1 st at neck edge on every following alternate row 4 times total: 15 (17, 18) sts.

Continue even in st st until piece measures 10 (11, 12)", ending with a WS row. Leave sts on needles for 3 needle bind off.

**Left Front:** With smaller needles, cast on 23 (25, 27) sts. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 8 rows, increasing sts evenly across the last row to 24 (27, 29) sts. Change to larger needles and work in st st until piece measures 7½ (8½, 9½)", ending with a RS row. Begin Neck Shaping: At neck edge, bind off 5 (6, 7) sts, work to end of row. Then decrease 1 st at neck edge on every following alternate row 4 times total: 15 (17, 18) sts. Continue even in st st until piece measures 10 (11, 12)", ending with a WS row. Leave sts on needles for 3 needle bind off.

**Sleeves (Make 2):** With smaller needles, cast on 29 (31, 33) sts. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 8 rows, increasing 5 sts evenly across the last row: 34 (36, 38) sts. Change to larger needles and work in st st, increasing 1 st at each end of 3<sup>rd</sup> and every following 4<sup>th</sup> row until there are 48 (50, 54) sts. Continue even in st st until piece measures 6 (6½, 7½)", ending with a WS row. Bind off very loosely.

**Back:** With smaller needles, cast on 45 (51, 55) sts. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 8 rows, increasing evenly across the last row to 48 (54, 58) sts. Change to larger needles and work in st st until piece measures 10 (11, 12)", ending with a WS row. Leave sts on needle for the 3 needle bind off.

**Finishing:** Bind off shoulders together, using 3 needle bind off technique. Sew in sleeves, slightly stretching sleeves down side edge. Sew up sleeves seams, and side seams.

**Neck Band:** Using smaller needle and RS facing, pick up and knit 19 (20, 21) sts up the right front neck shaping, 19 (21, 23) sts across the back, and 19 (20, 21) sts down the left front neck shaping: 57 (61, 65) sts. Work in 1X1 ribbing for 8 rows. Bind off loosely.

**Button Band:** With smaller needle and RS facing, pick up and knit 49 (53, 57) sts along button side edge. Work in 1X1 ribbing for 7 rows. Bind off neatly in ribbing.

**Buttonhole Band:** With smaller needle and RS facing, pick up and knit 49 (53, 57) sts along buttonhole side edge. Work in 1X1 ribbing for 3 rows. Buttonhole row: Rib 4(6, 4) sts, yo, k2tog, [rib 8 (8, 10) sts, yo, k2tog] 4 times, rib 3 (5, 3) sts. Work in 1X1 ribbing for 3 more rows. Bind off neatly in ribbing. Sew on buttons to correspond to buttonholes. Weave in all ends.

## HAT:

Worked in the round

**Size:** 0-3 months (6-9 months, 12 months)

**Materials:** Less than 1 ball of Encore Worsted Colorsfun

**Needles:** Size US 5 & 7 double points. 16" circulars can be used as well, but size 7 double points will be needed for the top.

**Gauge:** 5 sts = 1" over st st on size 7 needle.

**1x1 ribbing (worked in the round):** (K1, p1); repeat around.

With smaller circular needle, loosely cast on 72 (80, 88) sts. Place marker, and join being careful not to twist the stitches. Work in 1x1 ribbing for 8 rounds. Change to larger needle; begin working in st st in the round until total length is 4½ (5½, 6½)", ending at the marker. On the next round, begin decreasing as follows: Change to double pointed needles when needed.

Round 1: (Knit 6, k2tog) around.

Round 2: Knit around.

Round 3: (Knit 5, k2tog) around.

Round 4: Knit around.

Round 5: (Knit 4, k2tog) around.

Round 6: (Knit 3, k2tog) around.

Round 7: (Knit 2, k2tog) around.

Round 8: (Knit 1, k2tog) around.

Round 9: (K2tog) around.

Cut the yarn leaving a 12" tail, thread it through the remaining stitches, draw up tightly and secure. Weave in the ends.

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