

Rico's First Cardigan!

size: 6.5 lbs chihuahua, 9" collar size and 12" length

gauge: 14 sts= 4"

Instructions:

Cast on 36 sts. starting at tail end of sweater.

Slipping the first stitch of each row, k2p2 rib for 8 rows.

(continue to Sl first st throughout)

K 8 rows of stockinette stitch.

Body increases:

Row 9: Sl1, K14, kf&b, K5, kf&b, K14. 38sts.

Row10 and all even rows: sl1, purl.

Row 11: Sl1, K15, kf&b, K5, Kf&b, K15. 40 sts.

Row 13: Sl1, K16, kf&b, K5, kf&b, K16. 42 sts.

Row 15: sl1, Knit.

Row 17: Sl, K17, kf&b, K5, kf&b, K17. 44 sts.

Separate for armholes:

Row 19: Sl1, K8, BO 7, K 13, BO 7, K8.

Row 20: P8, CO 7, P13, CO 7, P9.

Shoulder increase row:

Row 21: Sl1, K1, kf&b, K5, Kf&b, K8, kf&b, K8, kf&b, K8, kf&b, K5, kf&b, k2. 50 sts.

K stockinette st for 5 Rows (p,k,p,k,p)

Neck Decreases:

Row 27: Sl1, K1, ssk, K5, k2tog, k12, k2tog, k1, ssk, k11, ssk, k5, k2tog, k2. 44 sts.

Row 29: Sl1, k1, ssk, k4, k2tog, k10, k2tog, k1, ssk, k9, ssk, k4, k2tog, k2.

Row 30: purl.

Neck ribbing: k2p2 rib for 4 rows. BO all sts.

Button band:

PU 24 sts on right side for placket. K2, P2 rib for 6 rows. BO.

PU 24 sts on left side. K2 P2 rib for 6 rows. Bind off for buttonholes with a crochet hook as follows: ch3, BO8, ch3, BO 8, ch 3, BO 7, Ch3, BO1 pulling yarn through to knot. for bigger buttonholes chain more sts.

Sleeves: NOTE: sleeves are optional. Rico hates them.

PU 16 sts with DPNs. K 6 rounds. k2p2 rib for 6 rounds. BO. repeat for other sleeve.

K= knit

P= purl

Sl= slip

st= stitch

kf&b = knit in front and back of stitch (or do whatever increase floats your boat)

BO=bind off

CO = cast on

k2tog = knit two together

ssk = slip slip knit (or whatever right-leaning decrease you prefer)

ch= chain

PU = pick up

DPN= double pointed needles