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Lille Crispin

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Here is a much underplayed circus theme. Just like in Crispin, the subtle harlequin pattern appears, creating a classic baby and children's cardigan that can easily be used for both girls and boys.

SIZES

3 months/62 cm (6 months/68 cm) 12 months/80 cm (24 months/92 cm)

MEASUREMENTS

Fits chest circumference: 45-49 (50-52) 53-55

(56-59) cm

Circumference: 47 (51) 55 (60) cm

Length: 24 (27) 29 (32) cm Sleeve length: 14 (16) 19 (22) cm

GAUGE

28 sts and 42 rows in textured pattern on 3 mm needles = $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}$.

Needle sizes are for guidance only.

If you have more stitches on 10 cm, change to a larger needle. If you have fewer stitches on 10 cm, change to smaller needles.

MATERIALS

Yarn from Filcolana

100 (100) 150 (150) g **Anina** in cl. 355 (Green Tea)

Circular needle 2.5 and 3 mm, 60-80 cm Doublepointed needles 2.5 and 3 mm

(Dpns can be replaced with a long circular needle if you are using magic loop technique).

Stitch markers (preferably with locks) or contrast coloured thread.

6 buttons





Technique

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Sl1 k1 psso

Slip 1 st purlwise, knit 1 st, and pass the slipped st over the knitted st.

M₁R

Left slanted increase. (From right side) From the back, lift the horizontal strand between the two stitches with the left needle and knit through the front loop (1 st increase).

M₁L

Right slanted increase. (From right side)
From the front, lift the horizontal strand between
stitches with the left needle and knit through the back
loop (1 st increase).

CHART

The chart is read from bottom and up, from right to left, on all right side rows, and from left to right on all wrong side rows.

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	•		•			3
		•				3 2
		•				1
6	5	4	3	2	1	

Knit on right side, purl on wrong side

Purl on right side, knit on wrong side

Workflow

Lille Crispin is knitted flat, from the top and down.

First sts are cast on for the rib, and next the yoke is worked in structured pattern with raglan increases.

Then the sleeve stitches rest while the body is finished in structured pattern and finished with a rib edge.

Finally, sleeves are worked with decreases and finished with a rib edge.





Pattern

BODY

With 2.5 mm circular needles cast on 83 (87) 91 (95)sts. Work is knitted flat back and forth.

Knit rib (k1, p1) for 2 cm, finish with a wrong side row.

Change to 3 mm circular needles and knit 1 row.

On next row place 4 stitch markers like this: **Next row (WS):** K1 (edge st), purl 11 (12) 13 (14) sts (front), mark the next st and purl this st (raglan st), purl 15 sts (sleeve), mark the next st and purl this st (raglan st), purl 25 (27) 29 (31) sts (back), mark the next st and purl this st (raglan st), purl 15 sts (sleeve), mark the next st and purl this st (raglan st), purl 15 sts (sleeve), mark the next st and purl this st (raglan st), purl 11 (12) 13 (14) sts (front), k1 (edge st).

Now the structured pattern begins while 1st row of the chart is knitted, work as follows:

1st row (RS): K5, p1, k5, p1, knit 0 (1) 2 (3) sts, M1L, k1 (raglan st), M1R, k4, p1, k5, p1, k4, M1L, k1 (raglan st), M1R, knit 0 (1) 2 (3) sts, *p1, k5*, repeat from * to * 3 times more, p1, knit 0 (1) 2 (3) sts, M1L, k1 (raglan st), M1R, k4, p1, k5, p1, k4, M1L, k1 (raglan st), M1R, knit 0 (1) 2 (3) sts, p1, k5, p1, k5.

Now the structured pattern according to chart is established.



The next row is worked as the 2nd row in the chart, as the sts indicate.

3rd row: K1, *follow pattern to the marked st, M1L, k1, M1R*, repeat from * to * 3 times more, follow pattern to last st, k1.

Next row is worked as the 4th row in the chart.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have increased a total of 20 (22) 23 (25) times = 243 (263) 275 (295) sts.

You now have 32 (35) 37 (40) sts on each front, 55 (59) 61 (65) sts on each sleeve, and 65 (71) 75 (81) sts on the back + 4 marked raglan sts. Last row worked is a right side row.

Now work is divided like this:

Next row (WS): *Follow pattern to raglan st, slip raglan st, the next 55 (59) 61 (65) sleeve sts and the next raglan st onto a stitch holder, and cast on 1 (1) 3 (3) new st(s) using the make 1 increase towards technique*, repeat from * to * and then follow pattern over remaining sts = 131 (143) 155 (167) sts.

BODY

Continue in pattern over all body sts until work measures 13 (14) 15 (17) cm from the division, last row should be row 2 or 8 of the pattern.

Change to 2.5 mm circular needles.

Next row (RS): Knit all sts.

Knit rib (k1, p1) for 2 cm.

Bind off loosely in rib as the sts indicate.

SLEEVES

Slip the 57 (61) 63 (67) sleeve sts back onto the 3 mm needle and pick up 1 (1) 3 (3) new st(s) at the armpit, mark the beginning of the round with a stitch marker in the middle of this/these 1 (1) 3 (3) st(s).

Work sleeves in the round according to the chart, the marked st is knitted on all rounds.

Decrease 1 st on each side of the marked st on every 12th round, like this:

K1, k2tog, follow pattern to last 2 sts, sl1 k1 psso.

When you have decreased a total of 4 (4) 4 (5) times



and have 50 (54) 58 (60) sts on your needles continue without further decreases until sleeve measures 12 (14) 17 (20) cm from the armpit. Finish with row 2 or 8 of the pattern.

Next row: Knit all sts.

Change to 2.5 mm needles.

Knit rib (k1, p1) over 2 cm.

Bind off in rib as pattern indicates.

FRONTS

Button band

Using 2.5 mm needles pick up sts along the one front (left front for girls, right front for boys). Pick up approx. 3 sts for every 4th row, 85 (90) 95 (100) sts in total.

Knit rib (p1, k1) for 2 cm.

Bind off in rib as sts indicate.

Button hole band

Pick up sts the same way along the other front.

Work 2 rows of rib as on the other front.

3rd row (WS): Knit 5 sts of rib, *yarn over, knit or purl 2 sts together (as the rib indicates), knit 13 (14) 15 (16) sts of rib*, repeat from * to * to the last 5 sts, yarn over, work 2 sts together, 3 sts of rib.

Finish this band as the first one.

FINISHING

Sew in the buttons and weave in all loose ends.

Wash the cardigan according to the instructions on the labels and lay it flat to dry on a towel.

