

Baby Bolero

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This lovely baby piece is knitted from side to side, and looks great both with and without sleeves! Cables are knitted every 4th row.

Materials:

Sizes:

3m / 6m / 12m / 2y / 3y / 4y

Yardage:

2/2/2/3/3/3 skeins Noro Silk Garden,
or about 140/160/180/220/260/300 m of heavy DK or worsted weight yarn.

Gauge:

16 sts and 21 rows / 4 inches

Needles:

5 mm or size to reach gauge

Extra:

One big button

Needle for weaving in ends

Cable needle



1st front:

- Cast on 20 sts.
- Row 1: K2, P1, K6, P2, K6, P1, K2.
- All WS rows when nothing else specified:** Knit stitches as they appear. (Knit the knit sts, purl the purl sts and yarn overs.)
(Row 2 is to be interpreted: P2, K1, P6, K2, P6, K1, P2.)
- Row 3: Yo between middle 2 purls.
- Row 4: P2, K1, P6, K1, pm, P1, pm, K1, P6, K1, P2.
- Row 5: (First cable row) K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, K1, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.
- Row 7: K2, p1, K6, P1, sm, yo, knit to next marker, yo, P1, K6, P1, K2.
- Row 9: **Button hole row:** K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, bind off 3 sts, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.
- Row 10: P2, K1, P6, K1, sm, CO 3 sts, sm, K1, P6, K1, P2.

- Row 11: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, knit to next marker, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2
- Row 13: (**Cable / increase row**) K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, knit to next marker, yo, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.
This will add 2 sts to every other RS row.
- Repeat rows 11-14 until you have 37 sts on the needles. (appr 12,5 cm from CO edge.)

- Row 39: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, kfb, knit to last stitch before marker, kfb, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2.
- Row 41: K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, knit to next marker, yo, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.

- Repeat rows 39-42 until work measures about 20/21.5/24/25/26.5/29 cm from the CO edge.

Armhole 1:

- RS: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, **kfb**, knit the next 12/14/16/18/19/20 sts with a piece of scrap yarn, return the sts to

Abbreviations:

K = knit
P = purl
yo = yarn over
C6F = slip 3 sts to cable needle, hold to front of work, knit 3 sts from left needle, knit 3 sts from cable needle.
C6B = slip 3 sts to cable needle, hold to back of work, knit 3 sts from left needle, knit 3 sts from cable needle.
pm = place marker
sm = slip marker
ssk = slip 1 knitwise, slip 1 knitwise, knit slipped sts together
k2tog = knit 2 sts together
kfb = knit in front and back loop
CO = Cast on
sskpsso = slip 1 knitwise, slip 1 knitwise, K1, pass slipped sts over
k3tog = knit 3 sts together



the left needle and knit them again with the working yarn, knit to last stitch before marker, **kfb**, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2.

Back:

- Work one WS row, one cable/increase row, one WS row. (49 sts)
- Row 1: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, knit to next marker, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2.
- Row 3: K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, k2tog, knit to last 2 sts before marker, ssk, yo, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.
- Repeat these 4 rows until back piece measured from the armhole is 20/21.5/24/25/26.5/29 cm, ending with row 2.

Armhole 2:

- RS: K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, k2tog, knit the next 12/14/16/18/19/20 sts with a piece of scrap yarn, return the sts to the left needle and knit them again with the working yarn, knit to last 2 sts before marker, ssk, yo, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2.
- Work one WS row, one non cable RS row, one WS row.



2nd front:

Start decreasing 2 sts every RS row:

- Row 1: K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, k3tog, knit to last 3 sts before marker, sskpsso, yo, sm, P1, C6B, P1, K2. (2 sts decreased)
- Row 3: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, k2tog, knit to last 2 sts before marker, ssk, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2. (2 sts decreased)
- Repeat rows 1-4 until you again have 37 sts on the needles.

Continue decreasing on cable rows only.

- Row 1: K2, P1, C6F, P1, sm, yo, k3tog, knit to last 3 sts before marker, sskpsso, yo, sm, P1, C6F, P1, K2.
- Row 3: K2, P1, K6, P1, sm, knit to last marker, sm, P1, K6, P1, K2.
- Keep repeating these 4 rows (decreasing 2 sts every cable row), until the whole flap BO edge can be hidden under first front flap when folded. Bind off all sts.

Sleeves:

- Pick up the 24/28/32/36/38/40 sts around the armhole, plus 2 more at each end. Knit in stockinette until desired length. Finish with 1 purl row, 2 knit rows. Bind off loosely. Repeat for second sleeve.

Block gently and weave in ends. Fold in the CO edge just a couple of centimeters, and attach it to the back of the front. This will keep it from poking out, and gives a nice firmness around the button.

