

'Rosebuds and Butterflies' – Summer Matinee set for 16-18" Doll or small newborn baby

Materials

Approx 170g of DK yarn

Needles: One pair of 3 ¼ mm(UK10) (US 3) and one pair of 4mm(UK8) (US 6)

4 butterfly buttons (or any you prefer)

8 small ribbon rosebuds**

5 large ribbon rosebuds**

1 Rosebud and pearl triple cluster**

Approx 1.5m of 7mm ribbon for yoke trims and booties

Approx 0.5 mm 1 inch wide ribbon for bonnet

These are the ribbon rosebuds and embellishments that I used. It is of course up to you to decorate the outfit with whatever embellishments you like – as little or as much as you want to add – it's up to you.

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Abbreviations and stitches

K: knit

P: purl

G-st: garter stitch

St-st: Stocking stitch

Dec: decrease

Inc: increase by knitting into front and back of stitch

Sl 1: slip next stitch

Pssso: Pass slipped stitch(es) over

Yfwd: Yarn forward

M1 – make one by picking up bar between current

and next st and knitting into the back of it

K2 tog: knit next 2 stitches together

P2 tog: purl next 2 stitches together

Rs: right side

Ws: wrong side

Cont: continue

Sts: Stitches

Tension (in st-st)

3-ply: 32 stitches and 40 rows to 10 cm. (4 inches) on a 3 ¼ mm (US 3) needle.

4-ply: 28 stitches and 36 rows to 10 cm. (4 inches) on a 3 ¼ mm (US 3) needle.

Double knitting: 22 stitches and 30 rows to 10 cm. (4 inches) on a 4 mm (US 6) needle.

The pattern is written using the terms 'larger' and 'smaller' needles. These are 4mm (larger) and 3¼ mm (smaller) needles as listed in materials.

Pattern used throughout

1st row: K 1, K2tog, yfwd, *K5, yfwd, Sl 1, K2tog, pssso, yfwd, rep from * to last 8 sts, K5, yfwd, Sl 1, K1, pssso, K1

2nd row and alt rows: P

3rd row: K 1, K2tog, yfwd, *K5, yfwd, Sl 1, K2tog, pssso, yfwd, rep from * to last 8 sts, K5, yfwd, Sl 1, K1, pssso, K1

5th row: K3, *yfwd, Sl 1, K1, pssso, K1, K2tog, yfwd, K3, rep from * to end

7th row: K1, K2tog, yfwd, *K1, yfwd, Sl 1, K2tog, pssso, yfwd, rep from * to last 4 sts, K1, yfwd, Sl 1, K1, pssso, K1

8th row: P

These 8 rows form pattern. Where instructions state 'Continue in patt' it is referring to the above 8 rows.

Matinee Coat

Back

Using larger needles cast on 65sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, Sl1, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (67sts)

Continue in pattern for 36 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Keeping pattern correct dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 4 alt rows. (53sts)

Decrease(ws)

(P2tog) 12 times, P3tog, (P2tog) 13 times (26sts)

Leave sts on holder

Left front

Using larger needles cast on 33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 36 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2sts at beg of next row. P 1 row. Keeping patt correct dec 1 st at armhole edge on next and foll alt 4 rows (28sts)

Decrease (ws)

*P2tog rep from * to last 6sts, (P3tog) twice (13sts)

Leave sts on holder

Right front

Using larger needles cast on 33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 35 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2sts at beg of next row. Patt 2 rows. Keeping patt correct dec 1 st at armhole edge on next and foll alt 4 rows (28sts)

Decrease (ws)

(P3tog) twice *P2 tog, rep from * to end (13sts)

Leave sts on holder

Sleeves

Using larger needles cast on 33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 20 rows

Shape armholes

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Keeping patt correct dec 1

st at each end of next and foll alt 4 rows. (21sts)

Decrease (ws)

P2*P2tog, rep from * to last st, P1(12sts) Leave sts on holder

Yoke

Using larger needles work across 13sts of right front, 12sts of a sleeve, 26sts of back, 12sts of other sleeve and 13 sts of left front. (76sts)

K1 row

Next row: K1, *yfwd, k2tog, rep from * to last st, K1

K 1 row

Cont as follows:

1st row: K5, K2tog, *K6, K2tog, rep from * to last 5 sts, K5 (67sts)

2nd – 4th rows: St-st

5th row: K5, K2tog, *K5, K2tog, rep from * to last 11 sts, K4, K2tog, K5 (58sts)

6th – 8th rows: St-st

9th row: K5, K2tog, *K4, K2tog, rep from * to last 9 sts, K3, K2tog, K4 (49sts)

10th -12th rows: St-st

13th row: K5, K2tog, *K3, K2tog, rep from * to last 7 sts, K2, K2tog, K3 (40sts)

14th – 16th rows: K

Cast off.

Button band

Using smaller needles cast on 57sts. K1 row

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more
Cast off

Buttonhole band

Using smaller needles cast on 57sts. K1 row

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more working buttonholes as follows on 4th row.

Buttonhole row: P 42, P2tog, yrn, P7, P2tog, yrn, P4
Cast off

Making up

Sew on button band to left front and buttonhole band to right front. Join seams of sleeves to fronts and backs to cast off sts at armholes. Join sleeve and side seams. Thread ribbon through holes at yoke and fasten neatly on ws. Sew on buttons and any embellishments. I sewed rosebuds in the centre of each front hem 'scallop'

Dress

Front

Using larger needles cast on 65sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (67sts)

Continue in pattern for 44 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Keeping pattern correct dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 4 alt rows. (53sts)

Decrease(ws)

(P2tog) 12 times, P3tog, (P2tog) 13 times (26sts)

Leave sts on holder

Right back

Using larger needles cast on 33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more inc 1st at each end of the last row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 44 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2sts at beg of next row.
P 1 row. Keeping patt correct
dec 1 st at armhole edge on next
and foll alt 4 rows (28sts)

Decrease (ws)

*P2tog rep from * to last 6 sts
(P3tog) twice (13sts)

Leave sts on holder

Left back

Using larger needles cast on
33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11,
K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep
from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more
inc 1st at each end of the last
row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 43 rows.

Shape armholes

Cast off 2sts at beg of next row.
Patt 2 rows. Keeping patt correct
dec 1 st at armhole edge on next
and foll alt 4 rows (28sts)

Decrease (ws)

(P3tog) twice, *P2 tog, rep from
* to end(13sts)

Leave sts on holder

Sleeves

Using larger needles cast on
33sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11,
K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep
from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more
inc 1st at each end of the last
row (35sts)

Cont in patt for 4 rows

Shape armholes

Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2
rows. Keeping patt correct dec 1
st at each end of next and foll alt
4 rows. (21sts)

Decrease (ws)

P2*P2tog, rep from * to last st,
P1(12sts) Leave sts on holder

Yoke

Using larger needles cast on 4sts
and K across 13sts of left back,
12sts of a sleeve, 26sts of front,

12sts of other sleeve and 13 sts
of right back. (80sts)

K1 row

Next row: K5, *yfwd, k2tog,
rep from * to last 5 sts, K5

K 1 row

Cont as follows:

1st row: K9, K2tog, *K6,
K2tog, rep from * to last 5 sts,
K5(71sts)

2nd – 4th rows: Keeping 4 stitch
g-st border correct, st-st

5th row: K9, K2tog, *K5, K2tog,
rep from * to last 11 sts, K4,
K2tog, K2, yfwd, K2tog, K1
(62sts)

6th – 8th rows: Keeping 4 stitch
g-st border correct, St-st

9th row: K9, K2tog, *K4, K2tog,
rep from * to last 9 sts, K2,
K2tog, K5 (53sts)

10th – 12th rows: Keeping 4
stitch g-st border correct, St-st

13th row: K9, K2tog, *K3,
K2tog, rep from * to last 7 sts,
K7 (45sts)

10th row: K

11th row: K to last 4 sts, K1,
yfwd, K2tog, K1

12th row: K

Cast off.

Making up

Join seams of sleeves to fronts
and backs to cast off sts at
armholes. Join sleeve and side
seams. Thread ribbon through
holes at yoke and fasten neatly
on ws. Sew on buttons and any
embellishments. I used one large
rosebud on the centre front.

Bonnet

Cast on 49sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11,
K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep
from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more
inc 1st at each end of the last
row (51sts)

Work 3 rows in st-st.

Next row: *K2tog, yfwd, rep
from * to last st, K1

Work 2 rows in st-st.

Next row: Pick up
corresponding stitch 4 rows
below and slip on to left hand
needle. Work this and the 1st
stitch already on the needle
together. Continue to do this
with every stitch. This will form
the picot border neatly and
without having to join by
sewing.

P 1 row.

Work 16 rows in patt as before
(as coat/dress).

Work 3 rows in st-st

Next row: *K2tog, yfwd, rep
from * to last st, K1

Work 2 rows in st-st.

Next row: Pick up
corresponding stitch 4 rows
below and slip on to left hand
needle. Work this and the 1st
stitch already on the needle
together. Continue to do this
with every stitch. This will form
the picot border neatly and
without having to join by
sewing.

P 1 row.

Decrease

1st row: K1, *K2tog, K5, rep
from * to last st, K1 (44sts)

2nd and foll alt 4 rows: P

3rd row: K1, *K2tog, K4, rep
from * to last st, K1 (37sts)

5th row: K1, *K2tog, K3, rep
from * to last st, K1 (30sts)

6th row: K1, *K2tog, K2, rep
from * to last st, K1 (23sts)

8th row: K1, *K2tog, K1, rep
from * to last st, K1 (16sts)

9th (alt) row: *P2tog, rep from
* to end

Cut yarn, leaving a long enough
thread to sew back seam. Thread
wool through remaining sts and
pull up tightly and fasten. Using
this wool sew seam from centre
back of bonnet to just the other
side of the picot border.

Neck edge rill

Cast on 41sts and K 1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11,
K2tog, pssso, K2, M1, K1, rep
from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows twice more.
Cast off

Making up

Pin neck border into position evenly around neck edge of bonnet. Sew neatly into place. Sew on ribbons to front and rosebuds to front and triple cluster to centre back if desired.

Bootees

Cast on 25sts. K1 row.

1st row: K1, *M1, K2, S11, K2tog, psso, K2, M1, K1, rep from * to end

2nd row: P

Repeat these 2 rows once more, inc 1 st at each end of last row. Work 7 rows of pattern as before. K 1 row.

Next row: *K2tog, yfwd, rep from * to last st, K1. Change to smaller needles.

K 1 row.

Shape instep

1st row: K 17, turn

2nd row: P 7, turn

Work 8 rows on these 7 sts. Break yarn.

Continuing from 10sts on rh needle, rejoin yarn and pick up and K 6 sts up rh side of instep, K across 7 sts of instep, pick up and K 6 sts down lh side of instep, K across 10 sts on lh needle (39sts)

Work 2 rows st-st starting P.

Next row: *K2tog, yfwd, rep from * to last st, K1

Work 2 rows in st-st.

Next row: Pick up corresponding stitch 4 rows below and slip on to left hand needle. Work this and the 1st stitch already on the needle together. Continue to do this with every stitch. This will form the picot border neatly and without having to join by sewing.

Work 6 rows in st-st starting P.

Next row: *K2tog, yfwd, rep from * to last st, K1

Work 2 rows in st-st, dec 1 st in centre of 2nd row.

Next row: Pick up corresponding stitch 4 rows below and slip on to left hand needle. Work this and the 1st stitch already on the needle together. Continue to do this with every stitch. This will form the picot border neatly and without having to join by sewing.

Next row: P2, *P2tog, P2, rep from * to end (29sts)

Next row: K2tog, K10, K2tog, K1, K2tog, K10, K2tog (25sts)

P 1 row.

Cast off

Making up

Join seam of sole and back. Thread ribbon through holes at base of pattern. Sew rosebud or embellishment to front of bootie if desired.