

Hippity Hop!



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Size: approximately 8 ½" from neck edge to bottom and 8" wide

Materials: One skein of worsted weight cotton in a solid color such as Peaches & Crème or Sugar ‘n Cream if you are using the bib for meals. If, on the other hand, you want to use it as a “drool” bib, I would recommend using a superwash wool. The cotton has a tendency to absorb the moisture, whereas the superwash wool will wick the moisture and keep baby nice and dry!
Sample was done in Peaches & Crème Light Grape.

Needles: US 5 or 6 You want the bib to be fairly dense, so if the fabric is too loose, just drop down a needle size.
2 double pointed needles for the I-cords

Gauge: 4.5 sts. per inch, not critical

PATTERN NOTES

This pattern allows you to choose between two methods of beginning the bib. One uses short rows and the other, more traditional way, requires you to cast on stitches at the beginning of the first few rows of the pattern. The ties are done by making I-cords. It’s helpful, but not necessary, to drop down a needle size when knitting the cords. I like to run a long tail down the center of the cord to finish it off. Be sure to use a straight needle and not one with a bent tip!

Abbreviations:

k = knit

p = purl

psso: pass slipped stitch over

k2tog.= knit 2 stitches together

p2tog.=purl 2 stitches together

sts. = stitches

dec. = decrease

dpn. = double pointed needle

Short Row Version

For this method, you don't have to wrap stitches or pick up wraps. You just work the stitches to a point and turn your work around and start knitting in the opposite direction. I've written out every row for you and I've indicated how many stitches you should have remaining at the end of each row. If you lose your count, all you have to do is check on the number of stitches you have left on your needle and you'll be right back on track. This technique results in a nice smooth edge. **Note:** The bottom of the bib might cup a little, but if you give it a quick burst of steam when you're done, it will flatten right out.

Pattern: Cast on 38 sts.

Row 1: (right side) knit for 25 sts., turn. You will have 13 stitches that are unworked.

Row 2: (wrong side) slip 1 st. knitwise, knit for 14 sts.; turn. (10 unworked stitches)

Row 3: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 17 sts.; turn. (10 unworked stitches)

Row 4: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 20 sts.; turn. (7 unworked stitches)

Row 5: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 23 sts.; turn. (7 unworked stitches)

Row 6: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 25 sts.; turn. (5 unworked stitches)

Row 7: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 27 sts.; turn. (5 unworked stitches)

Row 8: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 29 sts.; turn. (3 unworked stitches)

Row 9: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 31 sts.; turn. (3 unworked stitches)

Row 10: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 33 sts.; turn. (1 unworked stitch)

Row 11: Slip 1 st. knitwise; knit 35 sts.; turn (1 unworked stitch)

Row 12: Slip 1 st. knitwise, knit to end.

Row 13: knit.

Continue in pattern beginning with Row 12 below*.

Traditional Version

This method requires you to cast on stitches at the beginning of each row. I prefer to use the knitted cast on method, but you can use any method that you like. Just remember to keep the stitches tight.

Pattern: Cast on 12 sts.

Row 1: (right side) knit.

Row 2: Cast on 3 sts., knit across row. (15 sts.)

Row 3: Cast on 3 sts., knit across row (18 sts.)

Row 4: Cast on 3 sts., knit, across row (21 sts.)

Row 5: Cast on 3 sts., knit, across row (24 sts.)

Row 6: Cast on 3 sts., knit, across row (27 sts.)

Row 7: Cast on 3 sts., knit, across row (30 sts.)

Row 8: Cast on 2 sts., knit, across row (32 sts.)

Row 9: Cast on 2 sts., knit, across row (34 sts.)

Row 10: Cast on 2 sts., knit, across row (36 sts.)

Row 11: Cast on 2 sts., knit, across row (38 sts.)

Row 12: knit.

Row 13: k13; p2; k1; p2; k3; p2; k1; p2; k12.

Row 14: k12; (p1, k1) x6; p1; k13.

Row 15: k12; p1; k5; p1; k1; p1; k5; p1; k11.

Row 16: k12; p5; k1; p1; k1; p5; k13.

Row 17: k10; (p1, k1, p1, k5) x2; p1; k1; p1; k9.

Row 18: k8; (p1, k1) x2; (p5, k1, p1, k1) x2; p1; k9.

Row 19: k10; p1; k2; (p1, k3) x3; p1; k2; p1; k9.

Row 20: k6; p3; k1; p3; k3; p5; k3; p3; k1; p3; k7.

Row 21: k10; p1; k17; p1; k9.

Row 22: k5; p4; k1; p17; k1; p5; k5.

Row 23: k10; p1; k17; p1; k9.

Row 24: k5; p5; k1; p15; k1; p6; k5.

Row 25: k11; p1; k15; p1; k10.

Row 26: k5; p6; k2; p3; k5; p3; k2; p7; k5.

Row 27: k14; p1; k1; p1; k5; p1; k1; p1; k4; p2; k7.

Row 28: k5; p1; k1; p2; k1; p4; k1; p7; k1; p10; k5.

Row 29: k14; p1; k9; p1; k3; p1; k2; p1; k6.

Row 30: k5; p1; k1; p3; k1; p1; k1; p4; k3; p4; k1; p8; k5.

Row 31: k13; (p1, k3) x3; p1; k1; p1; k2; p1; k7.

Row 32: k5; (p2, k1) x2; p1; k1; p11; k1; p8; k5.

Row 33: k13; (p1, k5) x2; p1; k1; p1; k2; p1; k7.

Row 34: k5; (p2, k1) x2; p1; k1; p4; k3; p4; k1; p8; k5.

Row 35: k14; p1; k3; p3; k3; (p1, k2) x2; p1; k7.

Row 36: k5; (p2, k1) x3; p9; k1; p9; k5.

Row 37: k14; p1; k9; p1; k1; p1; k3; p1; k7.

Row 38: k5; p2; k1; p3; k1; p1; (k1, p9) x2; k5.

Row 39: k14; p1; k2; p1; k3; p1; k2; p1; k1; p1; k3; p1; k7.

Row 40: k5; p2; k1; p3; k1; p1; (k1, p9) x2; k5.

Row 41: k14; p1; k9; p1; k1; p1; k2; p1; k8.

Row 42: k5; p3; k1; p3; k2; p9; k1; p9; k5.

Row 43: k14; p1; k8; p1; k5; p1; k8.

Row 44: k5; p4; k1; p5; k1; p6; k2; p5; k2; p2; k5.

Row 45: k6; p1; k2; p1; k3; p1; k2; (p1, k5) x2; p1; k9.

Row 46: k5; (p5, k1) x2; p3; k2; p2; k1; p3; k1; p2; k1; p1; k5.

Row 47: k7; p1; k1; p1; k3; p1; k2; p1; k1; p3; k1; p1; k3; p1; k11.

Row 48: k5; p7; k3; p6; k1; p3; k1; p2; k1; p1; k1; p2; k5.

Row 49: k7; p1; k2; p1; k1; p1; k2; p1; k22.

Row 50: k5; p17; k1; p2; k1; p1; (k1, p2) x2; k5.

Row 51: k7; p1; k2; p1; k1; p1; k2; p1; k22.

Row 52: k5; p18; k1; p2; k1; p3; k1; p2; k5.

Row 53: k8; p1; k5; p1; k23.

Row 54: k5; p19; k1; p4; k1; p3; k5.

Row 55: k8; p1; k4; p1; k24.

Row 56: k5; p20; k1; p2; k1; p4; k5.

Row 57: k10; p2; k26.

Row 58: k5; p28; k5.

Row 59: knit.

Row 60: (k6, p10) x2; k6.

Row 61: knit;

Row 62: k8; p6; k10; p6; k8.

Rows 63 – 66: knit.

Row 67(right side): knit for 13 sts. Slip sts. just worked onto stitch holder, bind off the next 12 stitches knitwise; knit remaining sts. 13 stitches each side.

NECK AND SHOULDER SHAPING – LEFT SHOULDER

Note: As you look at the bib with the right side facing, the first shoulder worked will be the **left** side. All the decreases are made on **right side** or **odd** numbered rows.

Row 68: knit.

Neck decreases:

Row 69: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (12 sts.)

Row 70: knit.

Row 71: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (11 sts.)

Row 72: knit.

Shoulder decreases:

Row 73: (right side) knit to last 2 sts, k2tog. (10 sts.)

Row 74: knit.

Row 75: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (9 sts.)

Row 76: knit.

Row 77: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (8 sts.)

Row 78: knit.

Row 79: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (7 sts.)

Row 80: knit.

Row 81: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (6 sts.)

Row 82: knit.

Row 83: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (5 sts.)

Row 84: knit.

Row 85: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; k1, k2 tog. (3 sts.)

Slip these 3 sts. to a dpn and work an I-cord for approximately 12 inches. Fasten off and run end down through middle of I-cord. Don't worry if the I-cords look a little wonky. A firm tug will usually straighten them out and after the bib is washed, you won't even notice! A good tutorial for making the I-cords can be found here:

<http://www.knittinghelp.com/videos/knitting-tips>

NECK AND SHOULDER SHAPING – RIGHT SHOULDER

With wrong side facing, slip sts. from stitch holder to left needle and join yarn at neck edge. All the decreases are made on **right side** or **odd** numbered rows.

Row 68: (wrong side) knit across row.

Neck decreases:

Row 69: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (12 sts.)

Row 70: knit.

Row 71: knit to last 2 sts., k2tog. (11 sts.)

Row 72: knit.

Shoulder decreases:

Row 73: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (10 sts.)

Row 74: knit.

Row 75: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (9 sts.)

Row 76: knit.

Row 77: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (8 sts.)

Row 78: knit.

Row 79: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (7 sts.)

Row 80: knit across row.

Row 81: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (6 sts.)

Row 82: knit.

Row 83: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; knit to end. (5 sts.)

Row 84: knit.

Row 85: Slip 1 knitwise, k1, pss0; k1; k2tog. (3 sts.)

Slip these 3 sts. to a dpn and work an I-cord for approximately 12 inches. Fasten off and run end down through middle of I-cord as before.

Weave in ends.