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Materials:
Cascade Yarn’s Pluscious 100% Polyester
148.7 yds color 05: Sweater & socks 2 (2,3) skeins; Blanket 6 skeins; Teddy 1 skein
Needles: Size 7 regular and dpn’s, and size 9
5 buttons
Black or brown worsted weight yarn for embroidery of eyes, nose and mouth for bear
Ribbon for neck of bear stuffing
Yarn needle
Markers

Gauge:
14 sts = 4” on 9’s, 5 rows = 1” in st st.

Finished Measurements:
3-6 mo. 20”, 6-12 mo. 24”, 18 mo. 26 ½”.

Abbreviations:
K = knit
P = purl
sl = slip (purlwise)
Psso = pass slipped stitch over
Rep = repeat
PM = place marker
g-st = garter stitch (knit every row)
st = stitch
st st = stockinette stitch: k one row, p one row
RS = right side
WS = wrong side
K2tog = knit 2 together
sm = slip marker
dec = decrease
inc = increase
dpn’s = double pointed needles

Ssk: (slip, slip, knit): Slip 2 sts, one at a time, as if to knit. Slide left needle through front loops of these sts and k2tog from this position.

K1 P1 Ribbing:
Row 1: * K1, P1* rep between *’s across.
Row 2: K on the k sts, p on the p sts as they face you.
Repeat rows 1 & 2 for ribbing.

SWEATER
Back
With size 7 needles, cast on 31 (37, 41) sts. Work in K1, P1 ribbing for 1 ½” (1 ½”, 2”). Change to size 9 needles and working in st st, increase to 35 (42, 46) sts on first row. Work even in st st until back measures 6” (6”, 9”) or desired length to armhole. Place underarm markers. Continue in st st until piece measures 10 ½” (10 ½”, 15 ½”).
Bind off 10 (14, 13) sts for shoulder sts, 12 (14, 20)sts for neck sts, and 10 (14, 13) sts for other shoulder.
**Fronts.** Make 2, reversing shaping
With size 7 needles, cast on 15 (19, 21) sts. Work in K1, P1 ribbing for 1 ½” (1 ¼”, 2”). Change to size 9 needles and working in st st increase to 17 (21,23) sts on first row. Work as for back for armhole shaping and AT THE SAME TIME when piece measures 8 ½” (8 ½”, 12 ½”) begin neck shaping.

**Neck Shaping**
At neck edge, bind off 3 (3, 5) sts.
Bind off 2 sts at each neck edge 1 time, then dec 1 st at neck edge every other row 2 (2, 3) times.
Work shoulder as for back. 10 (14, 13) sts

**Sleeves**
With size 7 needles, cast on 19 (19, 23) sts. Work in K1, P1 ribbing for 1 ½” (1 ¼”, 2”). Change to size 9 needles and st st and increase to 22 (22, 26) sts on the first row. Inc 1 st on each side every 4 th row 4 (4, 9) times, then every 6 th row once (all sizes) (32 (32, 46) sts.
Continue in st st until piece measures 6 ½” (7”, 11”).

Bind off.

**Front Bands**
Button Band: (Left for girl, Right for boy) With size 7 needles and right side facing, pick up and knit 33 sts (33, 53) sts evenly along front edge. Work in K1, P1 ribbing for approx. 1” ending on wrong side. (count number of rows worked) Bind off in ribbing. Mark for placement of 5 buttons.
Button Hole: Work as for other band until you have worked 1 row less than half of total rib rows.
Buttonhole Row: Work in ribbing to corresponding marks for buttons and bind of 1 st (2 for larger buttons) On next row, cast on 1 (or 2) sts over the bound off sts. Complete band as for other front.

Sew shoulder seams.

**Hood**
With size 9 needles and right side facing, starting at center of front band, pick up and knit 15 (15, 18) sts for right front neck sts, 7 (7, 10) sts to center back PM, 7 (7,10) sts for remaining back, 15 (15, 18) sts for other front. Turn. Work one WS row. (purl) 44 (44, 46) sts.
On next RS row, K4 (for g-st border), PM, work in st st to last 4 sts, PM, K4 for (g-st border). Continue working 1 row even. Maintain the first and last 4 sts in g-st for border throughout hood.
Inc 1 st on each side of center back marker every 5 (5, 6) rows 1 (1, 2) times, then every 6 (6, 7) rows 5 (5, 4) times. 56 (56, 68) sts.
Work one row even.
Dec 1 st each side of center marker every other row 5, (5, 7) times working until hood measures 9” (9”, 10 ½”) 46 (46, 54) sts
Bind off. Seam top.

Sew side seams, sew in sleeves. Sew on buttons.
Weave in all ends.
SOCKS
With size 7 dpn’s, cast on 18,(20, 22) sts. Distribute evenly on 3 needles, join and PM for beg of round. Work in K1, P1 ribbing for 5 ½” (6”, 7”).
Shape toe:  Rnd 1: K2tog, K7 (8, 9), ssk, K7 (8, 9).
Rnd 2: Knit.
Rnd 3: K2tog, K6 (7, 8), ssk, K6 (7,8).
Rnd 4: Knit
Rnd 5: K2tog, K5, (6, 7), ssk, K5 (6, 7).
Rnd 6: K2tog, K4, (5, 6), ssk, K4 (5, 6).
Rnd 7: K2tog, K3, (4, 5), ssk, K3, (4, 5).
Rnd 8: K2tog, K2, (3, 4,) ssk, K2, (3, 4).
Cut yarn leaving a long tail and run through remaining stitches with yarn needle. Pull up snuggly and weave in the ends.

BLANKET
Measurements:  38” x 49” approx.
With size 9 needles, c/o 130 sts.
Knit 8 rows for bottom border.
Row 1:  sl 1, K7, PM, K to last 8 sts, PM, K8.
Row 2:  sl 1, K7, sm, P to next marker, sm, K8
Repeat rows 1 & 2 until blanket measures 47 1/2”.
Knit 8 rows for top border.
Bind off. Weave in ends.

TEDDY IN PLUSCIOUS
Back and front made the same.
Back:  First leg: *cast on 2 sts. Working in st st throughout, inc 1 st at each end of the needle on the first three rows. Work one row even. Work one more increase row. (10 sts) Work 10 rows even without further increases**. Slip stitches on holder.

Second leg and body: Work from * to ** of first leg. Next row, work to end, then work 10 sts from holder (20 sts) Continue in st st dec 1 st at each end of needle on 2nd and 6th rows (16) sts) Work three rows without further decrease, then as follows for arms.

Arms: Cast on 8 sts at the beginning of next two rows (32 sts) Cont. in st st inc 1 st each end of needle on the following row. Work 3 rows even. Dec 1 st each end of needle on next row. Work one more row even. Bind off 10 sts at the beg of next two rows. (12 sts).

Shape Head: Inc 1 st at each end of needle on next and following 4 alternating rows (22 sts.
Work 5 rows even.
Dec 1 st each end of needle on next 4 alternate rows (14) sts.
Bind off.

Front:  Work same as given for back.

Ears: (make 2) Cast on 10 sts. Work 6 rows in st st.
Next row, K2tog, across. (5 sts). Break off yarn and thread through remaining sts and draw up snuggly and secure.
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Finishing: Bear is sewn up with the purl side out for more texture. Sew around leaving top of head open and stuffing as you go. Run a gathering thread in a circle about 1 ½” – 2” in diameter for snout and pull up slightly to form. Embroider nose and mouth. Embroider eyes. Finish stuffing, do not over stuff, and sew top of head closed. Sew cast on edges of ears to head to form curve. Tie ribbon around neck.