

Bunting with Diamond Pattern (multiples of 8+7)

Need

Please use white, cream or pale shades (white is preferred).

2ply with 2.25mm needles (13's)

3ply with 2.75mm needles (12's)

4ply with 3.25mm needles (10's)

Choice of 3 or 4 buttons.

2 Cords: Can be anything you like, knitted, twisted, crochet or narrow ribbon to thread through holes and be able to tie in a bow.

Abbreviations

yfwd - yarn over needle to create a new stitch and makes a 'hole'.

inc - increase in next st by working into the front and back of stitch.

K2tog - knit 2 stitches together making 1 stitch.

P2tog - purl 2 stitches together making 1 stitch.

sl1 - slip next stitch onto Rt needle without knitting it.

pssso - pass the slipped stitch over the stitch just knitted.

g/st - garter stitch, every row Knit.

Make Buttonhole - K2, yfwd, K2tog then pattern to end.

TIPS: Slip the first stitch of every row for neat edge with 'give'.

To add seed beads, place bead over slipped stitch at rows 3 & 11.

For girls, buttonholes at beginning of a Knit row, boys at the end.

Begin at the toes

With your choice of yarn and needles,

Cast on 34 sts loosely.

First Row: Knit.

Next Row: K2, P1, (yfwd, P2tog, P1) to last 4 sts, yfwd, P2tog, K2

Next Row: Knit - and knit the loops as stitches (10 holes).

Next Row: K3, increase in every stitch to last 2 sts, K2 - **63 sts**

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: K4, Purl to last 4 sts, K4.

The next 16 rows form pattern

Row 1: K6, *K1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K5,
repeat from * to last 9 sts, K1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K6.

Row 2 and all even rows: K4, Purl to last 4 sts, K4.

Row 3: K5, *K2tog, yfwd, sl1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K3, repeat from* to last 2 sts, K2.

Row 5: As row 1.

Row 7: Knit.

Row 9: K6, *K5, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K1, repeat from* to last 9 sts, K9.

Row 11: K6, *K3, K2tog, yfwd, sl1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, repeat from* to last 9 sts, K9.

Row 13: As row 9.

Row 15: Knit.

Row 16: K4, Purl to last 4 sts, K4.

Buttonholes:

For 3 buttons, place each buttonhole 9 garter stitch ridges apart on band.

(To have 4 buttons instead, place each buttonhole 7 garter stitch ridges apart on band.)

After working last buttonhole, continue in pattern for 9 (or 7) more garter stitch ridges.



Neck

With the wrong side facing you, K7, K2tog to last 6 sts, K6 - **38 sts**

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: K1, K2tog twice,(yfwd, P2tog, P1) to last 6 sts, yfwd, K2tog three times - **34sts**

Next Row: Knit.

Next Row: with the wrong side facing you, Knit across row.

Hood

Increase Row: K3, inc, K12, inc, K13, inc, K3 - **37 sts**

Next Row: K3, Purl to last 3 sts, K3.

Continue pattern on these 37 sts as follows...

Row 1: K5, *K5, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K1, repeat from* to last 8 sts, K8.

Row 2 and all even rows: K3, Purl to last 3 sts, K3.

Row 3: K5, *K3, K2tog, yfwd, sl1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, repeat from* to last 8 sts, K8.

Row 5: As row 1.

Row 7: Knit.

Row 9: K5, *K1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K5,
repeat from *to last 8 sts, K1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K5.

Row 11: K4, K2tog, *yfwd, sl1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K3, K2tog,
repeat from* to last 7 sts, yfwd, K1, yfwd, sl1, K1, pssso, K4.

Row 13: As row 9.

Row 15: Knit.

Row 16: K4, Purl to last 4 sts, K4.

Work these 16 rows twice in total, ending with row 15, Knit (total of 31 rows).

Cast off and sew seam or use Kitchener stitch to graft it. Add pompom or what you prefer.

Add buttons to correspond with buttonholes.

Thread cord or ribbon through holes at toes and neck edge.

Picture shows:

4 buttonholes at 7 g/st ridges apart before decreasing for the neck.

Also seed beads placed in the centre of diamond at rows 3 & 11,
using a 0.6mm crochet hook.

