

# Cable Hood Pattern by: Amanda Morse

Materials - 60-125yds of worsted weight (4) yarn (I used KnitPicks Reverie), size 8 (5mm) straight needles and 1 spare in the same size for bind off.

Gauge - 4sts/inch \*Gauge is very important!\*

Sizes (appx head circumference) - newborn (13in), 0-3mth (14in), 3-6mth (15in), 6-12mth (16in)

Three needle bind-off: With right sides together, separate your work evenly onto 2 needles, hold the two pieces of knitting together with the points facing to the right. Insert the *third* needle into the first stitch on each of the needles knitwise, starting with the front needle. Work a knit stitch, pulling the loop through both of the stitches you've inserted the third needle through. After you've pulled the loop through, slip the first stitch off of each of the needles. This takes two stitches (one from the front needle and one from the back) and joins them to make one finished stitch on the third needle (held in your right hand). Repeat this motion, inserting your needle into one stitch on the front and back needles, knitting them together and slipping them off of the needles. Each time you complete a second stitch, pass the first finished stitch over the second and off of the needle (as you would in a traditional bind-off). Repeat until all the stitches have been worked.

### Stitch Key

cb4- sl the next 2 sts onto you cable needle, hold in back, k the next 2 sts, k the 2 sts on your cable needle cf4- sl the next 2 sts onto you cable needle, hold in front, k the next 2 sts, k the 2 sts on your cable needle

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Newborn

Cast on 46 sts.

Always slip the first st of the row purlwise for a neat edge.

Row 1 - k18, p1, k8, p1, k18

Row 2 and all even (wrong side) rows - p18, k1, p8, k1, p18

Row 3 - k18, p1, cb4, cf4, p1, k18

Row 5, 7 - k18, p1, k8, p1, k18

Repeat rows 3-8 until your work measures 5ins from cast on edge.

3-needle bind off.

Cut 3 pieces of yarn appx 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the hood. Pull the ends through this loop and secure. Now braid loosely to desired length. Clip ends. Repeat on the other side. Block so edges lay flat. (see instructions at the end of the pattern if you don't know how to do this)

## 0-3mths

Cast on 50 sts.

Always slip the first st of the row purlwise for a neat edge.

Row 1 - k20, p1, k8, p1, k20

Row 2 and all even (wrong side) rows - p20, k1, p8, k1, p20

Row 3 - k20, p1, cb4, cf4, p1, k20

Row 5, 7 - k20, p1, k8, p1, k20

Repeat rows 3-8 until your work measures 5.5ins from cast on edge.

3-needle bind off.

Cut 3 pieces of yarn appx 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the hood. Pull the ends through this loop and secure. Now braid loosely to desired length. Clip ends. Repeat on the other side. Block so edges lay flat. (see instructions at the end of the pattern if you don't know how to do this)

# 3-6mths

Cast on 54 sts.

Always slip the first st of the row purlwise for a neat edge.

Row 1 - k22, p1, k8, p1, k22

Row 2 and all even (wrong side) rows - p22, k1, p8, k1, p22

Row 3 - k22, p1, cb4, cf4, p1, k22

Row 5, 7 - k22, p1, k8, p1, k22

Repeat rows 3-8 until your work measures 6ins from cast on edge.

3-needle bind off.

Cut 3 pieces of yarn appx 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the hood. Pull the ends through this loop and secure. Now braid loosely to desired length. Clip ends. Repeat on the other side. Block so edges lay flat. (see instructions at the end of the pattern if you don't know how to do this)

### 6-12mths

Cast on 58 sts. Always slip the first st of the row purlwise for a neat edge. Row 1 - k24, p1, k8, p1, k24 Row 2 and all even (wrong side) rows - p24, k1, p8, k1, p24

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Row 3 - k24, p1, cb4, cf4, p1, k24 Row 5, 7 - k24, p1, k8, p1, k24 Repeat rows 3-8 until your work measures 6.5ins from cast on edge. 3-needle bind off.

Cut 3 pieces of yarn appx 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the hood. Pull the ends through this loop and secure. Now braid loosely to desired length. Clip ends. Repeat on the other side. Block so edges lay flat. (see instructions at the end of the pattern if you don't know how to do this)

#### Blocking your work

To make sure your project lays flat you may want to block it. This will work better if you are using a natural fiber (wool, cotton, etc) over a synthetic (acrylics).

Wet your project with cool water.

Gently squeeze excess water out. Doing this too vigorously could felt wool so be very gentle. Pin your project with stainless steel or rust proof pins as pictured. I like to use one of the "puzzle tiles" that are for a child's playroom floor.



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