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## Child Ocean Skirt



### MATERIALS AND INFO

**Sizes**: 0-3m, 3-6m (6-12m, 12m) 18m, 24m, (3/4, 5/6), 7/8, 9/10, (11/12, 13/14)yrs

Materials: Approximately 1, 2 (2, 2) 2, 2, (3, 3) 3, 4, (4, 5) balls of KnitPicks Heatherly (328yds, 100g), needle, stitch markers, 1.5in wide elastic

Needle Size: 5(US) 3.75mm & 3(US) 3.25mm straight and dpn

**Gauge (tension):** 24sts & 32 rows to make 10cm square, using size 5(US) 3mm needles

**Waist Measurement:** 14, 16 (18, 19) 19.5, 20 (21, 22) 23, 24 (25, 26) ins or 35, 40 (45, 47.5) 49, 50 (52.5, 55) 57.5, 60 (62.5, 65) cm

## **METHOD**

Child Ocean Skirt is top-down seamless skirt in a warm and soft yarn. Created for our 7th child she requested "more pretty sweater skirts" and with that, Ocean Skirt was born.

Abbreviations can be found on the last page.

Note: choose size based on waist measurement for best fit

# THE WORD

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#### WAIST

Cast on using smallest circular needle: 81, 99 (108, 117) 117, 126 (126, 135) 135, 144 (153, 162) sts.

Join in the round.

Work in stockinette (knit every round) until work measures 3.5ins or 9cms from cast on.

#### **ELASTIC WAISTBAND**

Cut elastic 1in or 2.5 cms smaller than waist measurement. Sew the 2 ends together (it does not need to look pretty because it will not be seen so if your sewing skills aren't awesome THAT'S OKAY!) Make sure it is not twisted, just as you do for a cast on joining in the round. Also make sure it is reinforced well.

#### WAISTBAND JOIN

With largest needles, knit around, each time combining one st from the cast on and one st from your needles. (For a left-handed tutorial of this click here.)

#### **SKIRT SHAPING**

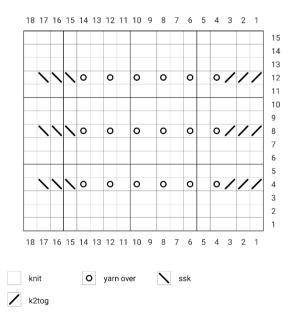
Set-up round - knit around

Increase Round - [k1, m1] around [162, 198 (216, 234) 234, 252 (252, 270) 270, 288 (306, 324) sts]

#### **SKIRT BODY**

Work until skirt measures 5, 6 (7, 8) 8.5, 9.5 (11.5, 13) 15, 17 (19, 21) (12.5, 15 (17.5, 20) 21, 23.5 (28.5, 32.5) 37.5, 42.5 (47.5, 52.5) cms from top or approximately 2ins or 5cms less than desired length.

#### RIPPLE EDGE



Round 1 - knit around

Round 2 - knit around

Round 3 - knit around

Round 4 - [k2tog 3 times, yo, (k1, yo) 5

times, ssk 3 times, k1] around

Round 5 - knit around

Round 6 - knit around

Round 7 - knit around

Round 8 - [k2tog 3 times, yo, (k1, yo) 5

times, ssk 3 times, k1] around

Round 9 - knit around

Round 10 - knit around

Round 11 - knit around

Round 12 - [k2tog 3 times, yo, (k1, yo)

5 times, ssk 3 times, k1] around

Round 13 - knit around

Round 14 - knit around

Round 15 - knit around

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### **PICOT EDGING**

Knit 3 rounds in stockinette

Picot Round - [k2tog, yo] around

Knit 3 rounds in stockinette IN SMALLER NEEDLE

DO NOT BIND OFF, cut enough yarn to sew all the way around (always err on the side of extra!), fold the hem with wrong sides together at the picot round and sew the hem in place.

#### **FINISHING**

Weave in all ends and block.



### **ABBREVIATIONS**

K - knit

P - purl

PM - place marker

SM - slip marker

K2tog -knit 2 stitches together

SSK - slip, slip, knit the slipped sts together

M1 - With left needle pick up strand between 2 stitches front to back. Knit through back loop

YO - yarn over