



## MATERIALS

**Bernat® Softee Baby™** (5 oz/140 g; 362 yds/331 m)

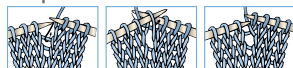
<b>Sizes</b>	<b>6/12 mos</b>	<b>18/24 mos</b>	<b>4 yrs</b>	
Soft Red (30424)	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>ball</b>

Sizes U.S. 5 (3.75 mm) and U.S. 6 (4 mm) knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge**. 2 stitch holders.

## ABBREVIATIONS:

**Beg** = Beginning  
**Cont** = Continue(ity)  
**Dec** = Decrease(ing)  
**Inc** = Increase(ing)  
**K** = Knit

**M1** = Make 1 stitch by picking up horizontal loop lying before next stitch and knitting into back of loop



**P** = Purl  
**Rem** = Remain(ing)  
**Rep** = Repeat  
**RS** = Right side  
**St(s)** = Stitch(es)  
**WS** = Wrong side

**KNIT** | SKILL LEVEL: EASY

## SIZES

**To fit head circumference**

<b>6/12 mos</b>	17" [43 cm]
<b>18/24 mos</b>	18" [45.5 cm]
<b>4 yrs</b>	19" [48 cm]

## GAUGE

21 sts and 40 rows = 4" [10 cm] with larger needles in garter stitch.

## INSTRUCTIONS

*The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus (.). For ease in working, circle all numbers pertaining to your size.*

Beg at face opening, with smaller needles, cast on **82 (86-90)** sts.

**1st row:** (RS). K1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. K1.

**2nd row:** P1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. P1.

Rep last 2 rows (K2. P2) ribbing 3 times more.

**Next row:** (RS). K3. P2. K2. Place these 7 sts on st holder. Rib to last 7 sts. Place rem 7 sts on st holder. **68 (72-76)** sts

Change to larger needles.

**Next row:** \*K4. M1. Rep from \* to last 4 sts. K4. **84 (89-94)** sts.

**Sizes 6/12 mos and 4 yrs only:**

**Next row:** Knit, inc 1 st in center of row. **85 (95)** sts.

**All sizes:** Cont even in garter st (knit every row) until work from beg measures **6½ (7-7½)" [16.5 (18-19) cm]**, ending on a WS row.

## Dec as follows:

**Next 6 rows:** Cast off 5 sts. Knit to end of row. **55 (59-65)** sts at end of 6th row.

**Next 10 (12-12) rows:** Cast off 3 sts. Knit to end of row. **25 (29-29)** sts at end of last row.

Cast off all sts. Sew center back seam.

**Neckband:** With RS facing and smaller needle, rib across 7 sts from st holder. Pick up and knit **56 (60-64)** sts along neck edge. Rib 7 sts from st holder. **70 (74-78)** sts.

**Next row:** (WS). P1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. P1.

**Next row:** K1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. K1.

Rep last 2 rows (K2. P2) ribbing until Neckband measures **2 (2¼-2½)" [5 (5.5-6) cm]**, ending on a RS row. Cast off in rib.

## Finishing

Sew front Neckband seam.