Folded Ribbon Christening Gown.

Skill Level: Intermediate to Advanced

Size: To fit newborn.

Materials: Sport Weight yarn (about 7 oz.) colored desired. Size 6 circular needles, one pair 16" long and one pair 29" long. Three small buttons. Stitch markers. Cable needle, or dpn; 20-inch length of ¼" ribbon.

Gauge: 5 ½ sts/ inch in stockinette st on size 6 needles.

Patterns:
Seed Stitch:
Row 1: alternate knit and purl sts (just like ribbing).
Row 2: purl all knit sts, and knit all purl sts.

Sleeve Ribbon Stitch: (worked back and forth on rows)
Row 1 (ws): k3, p6, k3.
Row 2: p3, k4, k2 tog, yo, p3.
Row 3: k3, yo, p1, p2 tog, p3, k3.
Row 4: p3, k2, k2 tog, k2, yo, p3.
Row 5: k3, yo, p3, p2 tog, p1, k3.
Row 6: p3, k2 tog, k4, yo, p3.
Row 7: Rep row 1.
Row 8: p3, yo, ssk, k4, p3.
Row 9: k3, p3, p2 tog-b, p1, yo, k3.
Row 10: p3, yo, k2, ssk, k2, p3.
Row 11: k3, p1, p2 tog-b, p3, yo, k3.
Row 12: p3, yo, k4, ssk, p3.
Rep rows 1- 12 for pattern.

Skirt Ribbon Stitch: (worked in the round for skirt)
Round 1: p3, k6, p3.
Round 2: p3, k4, k2 tog, yo, p3.
Round 3: p3, k3, k2 tog, k1, yo, p3.
Round 4: p3, k2, k2 tog, k2, yo, p3.
Round 5: p3, k1, k2 tog, k3, yo, p3.

Round 6: p3, k2 tog, k4, yo, p3.
Round 7: Rep row 1.
Round 8: p3, yo, ssk, k4, p3.
Round 9: p3, yo, k1, ssk, k3, p3.
Round 10: p3, yo, k2, ssk, k2, p3.
Round 11: p3, yo, k3, ssk, k1, p3.
Round 12: p3, yo, k4, ssk, p3.
Rep rounds 1- 12 for pattern.

Directions:
Cast on 51 sts.
Row 1: Work seed stitch over 4 sts, (b.o. 3 sts, k3) across; end with b.o. 3 sts, k1. (There should be 3 sts between each space on needle).
Row 2: k2, c.o. 2 sts, (k3, c.o. 2 sts) across; end with c.o. 2 sts, seed st over 4 sts. (43 sts)
Row 3: Seed stitch over 4 sts, knit to end.
Row 4: Seed stitch over 4 sts, knit to last 4 sts, seed stitch over 4 sts.
Row 5: Rep row 4.
Row 6: Seed stitch over 4 sts, purl to last 4 sts, seed stitch over 4 sts.
Rows 7, 8: Rep rows 5,6.
Row 9 (inc row): Seed stitch over 4 sts, (inc in next 2 sts, k1) across to last 6 sts, inc in next 2 sts, seed stitch over 4 sts. (67 sts)
Row 10: as row 4.
Row 11-14: rep rows 5-8
Row 15 (inc row): seed stitch over 4 sts, (M1, k2, M1, k3) across to last 6 sts; k2, M1, seed stitch over 4 sts. (91 sts).
Rows 16-20: rep rows 10-14.
Row 21 (inc row): seed stitch over 4 sts, (k3, M1, k4, M1) across to last 6 sts, M1, k2, seed stitch over 4 sts. (114 sts)
Rows 22-26: rep rows 10-14.
Row 27 (inc row): seed stitch over 4 sts, (k4, M1, k5, M1) to last 7 sts, M1, k3, seed stitch over 4 sts. (138 sts).
Rows 28-32: rep rows 10-14.
Row 33 (inc row): seed stitch over 4 sts, M1 (k5, M1, k6, M1) across to last 8 sts, k4, seed stitch over 4 sts. (162 sts).
Row 34: (joining round): Slip 4 band sts from Right needle to cable needle. Holding these 4 sts in front of band sts on Left needle, knit together 1 st on each needle 4 times – dress is now joined into a round. Knit 21 sts, place a marker, k 34 sts, place marker, k 44 sts, place marker, k34, place marker, k21. Do not place another marker. K5, p3, then place a marker. All rounds will now start from this marker. (158 sts)
Round 35: p1, work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p4, sm, *seed stitch over 11 sts, work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, seed stitch over 11 sts, sm*, p3, (work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p1) twice, work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p3, sm, rep from * to *, p4, work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p1, work Round 1 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch.
Round 36: k1, work Round 2 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, k1, p3, sm, *work seed st over 11 sts, work Round 2 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, seed stitch over 11 sts*, sm, p2, (k1, work

round 2 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch) 3 times, k1, p2, sm, rep * to *, sm, p3, (k1, work round 2 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch) twice.

Round 37: p1, Round 3 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p4, sm, *seed stitch over 11 sts, Round 3 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, seed st over 11 sts*, sm, p3, (Round 3 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, p1) 3 times, p2, sm, rep * to *, sm, p3, (p1, round 3 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch) twice.

Round 38: k1, round 4 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, k1, p3, sm, *seed stitch over 11 sts, Round 4 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch, seed stitch over 11 sts*, sm, p2, (k1, Round 4 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch) 3 times, k1, p2, sm, work * to *, sm, p3, (k1, work Round 4 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch) twice.

Round 39 (inc round and Sleeves): (p, yo, p) in next st (these three sts now form a panel of Seed Stitch), work Round 5 Skirt Ribbon Stitch, (p, yo, p) in next st, p3, sm.

This round is now paused while the first sleeve is worked. It will be completed later.

Create First Sleeve:

Cable cast on three sts.

Row 1: Seed stitch over 14 sts, work Row 6 of Sleeve Ribbon Stitch, Seed stitch over 11 sts. Turn.

Row 2: Cast on three sts. Seed Stitch over 14, work Row 7 of Sleeve Ribbon Stitch, Seed Stitch over 14. Turn.

Pattern is now set up for sleeve. Work even until sleeve measures 5 inches from underarm cast on, ending with a ws row.

Next row: K2 tog across.

Work 7 rows k1, p1 ribbing.

Picot Bind off: p1, *k1, pass 1st st over. (Insert LH needle into st on right needle and knit it again) 3 times, p1, pass 1st st over, rep from * across. Break yarn, leaving a tail long enough for sewing sleeve seam.

Sew Sleeve seam.

Returning to remaining sts of Round 39, pick up 7 sts from underarm of sleeve. P2, [(p, yo, p) in next st (forming another panel of Seed Stitch), work Round 5 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch] 3 times, (p, yo, p) in next st, p2.

Round is paused again while Second Sleeve is worked.

Work Second Sleeve same as first.

Continue Round: Pick up 7 sts from underarm of Second sleeve. P3 [(p, yo, p) in next st, work Round 5 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch] twice.

Round 39 completed. (120 sts).

Round 40: [k1, p1, k1 (these three sts are a seed st panel), work round 6 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch] 8 times.

Skirt pattern is now set up in panels of Seed Stitch and Ribbon Stitch. Work in set pattern (commencing with round 7 of Skirt Ribbon Stitch for next round), increasing 1 st each side of every Seed Stitch panel after 9 rounds, then after 11 more rounds, then after 13 more rounds, then after 15 rounds, etc. Continue increasing in the same fashion until skirt measures 17 inches, or length desired.

At this point, begin to replace the Ribbon Stitch panel with Seed stitch, one st at either side of Ribbon panel on every other round. (In other words, work to ribbon panel on next row, and work first st of ribbon panel in seed st, work ribbon panel as set, then work last

stitch of ribbon panel in seed st. On following round work sts as set in pattern. On next round, work one more st of ribbon panel in seed st on either side, etc) Continue until two center sts of Ribbon panel are left to be worked in. On next round, replace last two sts with seed stitch with a M1 between them to keep continuity of pattern.
Work 8 rounds of Seed Stitch all the way around. Bind off.

Sew buttons to back button band. No buttonholes are needed as the small buttons should easily slip between the sts of the buttonhole band.

Bonnet:

Cast on 70 sts.
Row 1: K2, (bind off 3 sts, k4) across, ending last repeat k2. (There should be 4 sts between each space on needle, with 2 sts at each end.)
Row 2: k2, *cast on 2 sts with cable cast on, then knit to next space, rep from * across.
Row 3: Knit
Row 4: Purl
Row 5 Knit
Row 6: Purl
Row 7: Knit
Row 8: Knit
Repeat rows 4-8 four more times.
Knit 2 rows.
Decrease for Crown.
Row 1: (K6, k2 tog) across.
Row 2 (and all even numbered rows): Knit
Row 3: (k5, k2 tog) across.
Row 5: (k4, k2 tog) across.
Row 7: (k3, k2 tog) across.
Row 9: (k2, k2 tog) across.
Row 11: (k1, k2 tog) across.
Row 13: (k2 tog) across.
Row 14: knit.
Cut thread with a tail long enough to sew seam of crown. Place tail on needle, draw through sts remaining on needle and pull tight. Sew seam of crown.

Pick up 37 sts across bottom of bonnet.
Knit 4 rows.
Next row: p1, (yo, p2 tog) across.
Knit 4 rows.
Bind off.

Finishing: Cut a 20-inch length of 1/4" ribbon, and thread through eyelets on bottom of bonnet.