

# Li'l Tux for Baby

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**Sizes:** 12 months (2 yrs, 3 yrs).

**Materials:** Red Heart 4-oz. Worsted Weight Yarn: 2 skeins black, and 1 skein white. Knitting needles, sizes 6 and 8. Five white 5/8" buttons, and two black 5/8" buttons.

**Gauge:** 5 sts/inch, 6 rows/inch.



**Back:** With black yarn and size 6 needles, cast on 46(52, 55) sts. Work in k1, p1 ribbing for 12 rows. Change to size 8 needles, and inc 10 sts evenly across next row, knitting all sts (right side). Work even in stockinette stitch until piece measures 7(7 ½, 8 ½) inches from beg. **Shape Armhole:** Bind off 4 sts at the beginning of next two rows. Dec one st each side every right side row 3(4,5) times. 42(46, 47)sts remain. Work even until piece measures 12 (13, 14) inches from beg. Bind off.

**Right Front:** With black, and size 6 needles, cast on 26(29, 31) sts. Work in k1, p1, ribbing for 12 rows, increasing 5 sts evenly across last row. Change to size 8 needles. With white, k 17, then knit 14(17,19) with black (right side).  
Row 2: Purl across all black sts with black, then with white; (k3, p1) 3 times, end k5.  
Row 3: With white, k5, (sl 1, p3) 3 times, then knit to end with black.  
Repeat rows 2 and 3 for pattern. Work even until piece measures 7(7 ½, 8 ½) inches.

**Armhole Shaping:** Bind off 4 sts at armhole edge, then dec 1 st at armhole edge every right side row 3(4,5) times. Work even until piece measures 10 ½ (11 ½, 12 ½ ) inches.

**Neck Shaping:** Put 5 sts of button band on a stitch holder. Bind off 2 sts at neck edge on next right side row, then dec 1 st at neck edge on next two rows. Decrease 1 st every right side row 3 times 12(14, 15) sts rem. Bind off in respective colors.

**Left Front:** With black and size 6 needles, cast on 26(29,31) sts. Work in p1, k1 ribbing for 12 rows, making buttonholes on rows 5 and 9 of ribbing as follows: work to last 4 sts; yo, k2tog, rib 2. Increase 5 sts evenly across last row. Change to size 8 needles. K14(17,19) with black, then knit 17 with white (right side).  
Row 2: With white, k5, (p1, k3) 3 times; purl across all black sts.  
Row 3: With black, knit all black sts; then with white, (p3, sl 1) 3 times, k5.  
Repeat rows 2 and 3 for pattern, making first buttonhole in center of buttonhole band on

row 5 of white, then every 10 rows. Decrease for armhole and neck same as right front, only reversing shapings. (Last buttonhole should end up just before buttonhole band sts are put on stitch holder).

**Sleeves (make two):** With size 6 needles and white, cast on 26 sts. Work in k1, p1 rib for 4 rows. Change to larger needles and black. Starting stockinette stitch with a knit row, inc 8 sts across row (34 sts). Continue in st st, inc 1 st each side every 5 rows 7(8,9) times. When sleeve measures 7(7 ½, 8 ½) inches from beginning, start armhole shaping.

**Armhole Shaping** (follow respective size shaping):

**Size 12 months:** Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 1 st at beg of next 4 rows, 2 sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Bind off rem sts.

**Size 2 yrs:** Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of next 4 rows, then 1 st at beg of next 4 rows, 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 3 sts at beg of next 4 rows. Bind off rem sts.

**Size 3 yrs:** Bind off 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then 2 sts at beg of next 6 rows, work 2 rows even, then bind off 2 sts at beg of next 6 rows, then 3 sts at beg of next 2 rows. Bind off rem sts.

**Finishing:** Sew shoulder seams and side seams. Sew sleeve seams. Sew sleeves into armholes.

**Neckband:** Pick up sts around neck as follows: With white, and size 8 needles, work along sts of buttonband on right front (keeping band in garter stitch), pick up 12 sts along right neck edge, pick up 17(20,22) sts along back, 12 sts down left front, and along buttonhole band sts of left front (keeping this in garter st also). Work 5 sts garter st, p1, k1 rib to last 5 sts, then 5 sts garter st. Bind off loosely after 7 rows.

**Bowtie:** With size 6 needles, and black, cast on 9 sts.

Row 1: (k1, p1) 4 times, k1.

Rows 2-4: repeat row 1.

Row 5: p2-tog, (k1, p1) twice, k1, p2-tog.

Row 6: (p1, k1) 3 times, p1.

Row 7: k2-tog, p1, k1, p1, k2-tog.

Rows 8-10: knit.

Row 11: k2, yo, k2-tog, k1.

Rows 12-14: knit.

Row 15: knit then purl into first stitch, k1, p1, k1, purl then knit into last stitch.

Row 16: (k1, p1) three times, k1.

Row 17: purl then knit into first stitch, (p1, k1) twice, p1, knit then purl into last stitch.

Rows 18-21: (k1, p1) 4 times, k1.

Bind off.

**Bowtie buttons onto top button of sweater.**

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