TODDLER CABLED JACKET

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This is a sweater I designed more than 20 years ago, and found the notes for it in my files. Although it is written for only one size, I hope someone out there will find a use for it.

Skill Level: Medium

Size: 24 months (Finished chest measurement: 22 inches)



Materials: Worsted Weight yarn (approx. 6-8 oz.), knitting needles, sizes 6 and 8 (U.S.), cable needle, 12-inch separating zipper, stitch holders.

Patterns:

Seeded Wishbone:

Row 1: p2, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k1, then (p1, k1, p1) from cable needle, sl 1 st to cable needle, k1, p1, k1, then k1 from cable needle, p2. Rows 2, 4, 6: k2 (p1, k1) 3 times, p2, k2. Rows 3, 5: p2 (k1, p1) 3 times, k2, p2. Row 7: p2, k1, p1, k3, p1, k2, p2.

Row 8: k2, p1, k1, p3, k1, p2, k2.

Repeat rows 1-8 for pattern.

Five-Rib Braid:

FC (Front Cross): slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then slip the p stitch from cable needle back to LH needle and purl it, then k2 from cable needle.

BC (Back Cross): Slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then slip the p stitch from cable needle back to LH needle and purl it, then k2 from cable needle.

Row 1: p2, (k2 ,p1) 4 times, k2, p2 Row 2 (and all wrong side rows): k2, (p2, k1) 4 times, p2, k2. Row 3: p2, k2, (p1, FC) twice, p2. Row 5: rep row 1. Row 7: p2, (BC, p1) twice, k2, p2. Row 8: repeat row 2.

Repeat rows 1-8 for pattern.

Honeycomb:

The crosses are different for this pattern than for the one above. FC (Front Cross): sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, k2 from cable needle. BC (Back Cross): sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, k2 from cable needle.

Row 1: (BC,FC) across row. Rows 2, 4, 6, 8: purl. Row 3: Knit. Row 5: (FC, BC) across row. Row 7: Knit. Repeat rows 1-8 for pattern.

Directions:

Back:

With smaller needles, cast on 59 sts.

Work ribbing as follows:

Row 1: *k3, (p1, k1-b) twice, p1, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 2: *p3, (k1, p1-b) twice, k1, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Rows 3-6: rep rows 2, 3.

Row 7: *k3, p1, sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k1-b, slip purl st back to left needle and purl, then k1-b from cable needle, p1, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 8: rep row 2.

Rows 9-12: rep rows 1, 2, increasing 15 sts evenly on last row.

Change to larger needles, and set pattern as follows:

Row 1: (k1, p1) 3 times, sl 1, row 1 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, work row 1 of Wishbone panel twice over next 22 sts, sl 1, row 1 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, (p1, k1) 3 times. (74 sts).

Row 2: (p1, k1) 3 times, p1, row 2 of Five-Rib Braid, p1, row 2 of Wishbone panel twice, p1, row 2 of Five-Rib Braid, p1, (k1, p1) 3 times.

Row 3: (p1, k1) 3 times, sl 1, row 3 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, work row 3 of Wishbone panel twice over next 22 sts, sl 1, row 3 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, (k1, p1) 3 times. (74 sts).

Row 4: (k1, p1) 3 times, p1, row 4 of Five-Rib Braid, p1, row 4 of Wishbone panel twice, p1, row 4 of Five-Rib Braid, p1, (p1, k1) 3 times.

These four rows set pattern. Continue working respective patterns until Back measures 12 inches from beginning. Bind off 24 sts at beg of next 2 rows, and place remaining 26 sts on a stitch holder.

Fronts:

Left Front: With smaller needles, cast on 27 sts. Work ribbing same as for Back, increasing 10 sts evenly on last row.

Change to larger needles and set up pattern as follows:

Row 1: (k1, p1) twice, k1, sl 1, row 1 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, row 1 of Wishbone panel, k1.

Row 2: k1, row 2 of Wishbone panel, p1, row 2 of Five-Rib Braid, p2, (k1, p1) twice.

Row 3: (p1, k1) twice, p1, sl 1, row 3 of Five-Rib Braid, sl 1, row 3 of Wishbone panel, k1.

Row 4: k1, row 4 of Wishbone Panel, p1, row 4 of Five-Rib Braid, p1, k1, (p1, k1) twice.

These four rows set pattern. Continue working respective patterns until Front measures 12 inches from beginning. End with right side facing for next row. Bind off all but the last 13 sts, and put those sts on a holder.

Right Front: Work same as Left Front, reversing patterns. Work till Right Front measures 12 inches from beginning. End with a wrong side row. Bind off all but the last 13 sts, and put those sts on a stitch holder.

Sleeves (make two):

With smaller needles, cast on 27 sts. Work ribbing same as for Back, increasing 11 sts evenly on last row. Change to larger needles, and set pattern as follows:

Row 1: Row 1 of Honeycomb pattern over 12 sts, sl 1, row 1 of Wishbone, sl 1, row 1 on Honeycomb pattern over 12 sts.

Row 2: Row 2 of Honeycomb pattern over 12 sts, p1, row 2 of Wishbone, p1, row 2 of Honeycomb over 12 sts.

These two rows set pattern.

Continue in pattern as set, increasing 1 st each side every 2 rows, working extra sts into Honeycomb pattern until there are 82 sts on needle. Work even until sleeve measures 9 inches. Cast off all but the center Wishbone panel over the next two rows AND one extra st on each side for seam. (14 sts). Work Wishbone panel even for 3 inches. Place sts on stitch holder.

To Finish:

Sew shoulders of Fronts and Back to Sleeve extensions. Sew Sleeves to Fronts and Back. Sew side seams and sleeve seams.

Collar:

Slip all collar sts to one needle, with right side of garment facing for next row.

Work ribbing same as for Back, beginning with row 3, binding off loosely on last row. Sew zipper into sweater.