

This is a very special pattern, it is the second in my PathFinder series that I have designed to salute my 4 boys in their life journey.

This pattern is for my sweet Thomas, my first born, my precious child. He is so vulnerable and fragile and yet so solid and self-assured. His gentle love surrounds me and I nurture him to be all that he can.

He is an imaginative dreamer, a deep thinker and a star gazer...

....my Beautiful child is free to be.



# THE PATTERN DETAILS

Recommended Yarn: Nurturing Fibres Soft spun Worsted

Needle: 4.5 mm

#### **Abbreviations:**

T2L: Knit into the back of the 2nd stitch then knit, knit wise into the 1st stitch, then slip both off the needle

SM: Slip marker RM: remove marker

PM: Place marker

S1: slip one stitch with the yarn at the back of the stitch.

SSK: slip the first stitch as if to knit, slip the second stitch as if to knit, then slide the left-hand needle into the front

part of both stitches and knit them together.

## **RIBBING**

Cast on 110 sts and join in the round.

Place stitch marker at the beginning of the row.

Row 1: [T2L, P1] to last 2 sts the T2L

Row 2:[P1, slip1, K1] to end P1 slip 1, SM

Row 3: [P1,T2L] to last 2. p1, RM, borrow a st from the next

row, then T2L, PM. This is now the beginning of the row.

Row 4: [P1, slip1, K1] to end P1 slip 1, SM

Repeat Row 3 and 4, 5 times so that the ribbing equals a total of 12 rows





# **BODY**

Row 13: ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 17 sts then, k1 ssk, K12, K2tog [108sts]

Row 14: ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x4

Row 15: K1 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 14 sts then, K14

Row 16: k1, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 14 sts then, K14

Row 17: K2 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 13 sts then, K13

Row 18: k2, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 13 sts then, K13

Row 19: K3 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 12 sts then, K12

Row 20: k3, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 12 sts then, k12

Row 21: K4 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 11 sts then, k11

Row 22: k4, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 11 sts then, k11

Row 23: K5 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 10 sts then, K10

Row 24: k5, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 10 sts then, K10

Row 25: K6 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 9 sts then, K9

Row 26: k6, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 9 sts then, K9

Row 27: K7 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 8 sts then, K8

Row 28: k7, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 8 sts then, K8

Row 29: K8 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 7 sts then, K7

Row 30: K8 ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 7 sts then, K7

Row 31: K9 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 6 sts then, K6

Row 32: k9, ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 6 sts then, K6

Row 33: K10 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 5 sts then, K5

Row 34: K10 ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 5 sts then, K5

Row 35: K11 ([K1, T2L] x4 K15) x3, [K1, T2L] x4 until last 4 sts then, K4

Row 36: K11 ([k2, sl1] x4 k15) x3, [K2, Sl1] x4 until last 4 sts then, K4 [108 sts]



## **THE CROWN**

RM, k 11, PM.

This is now the beginning of the row.

Row 37: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k12) x4 [100sts]

Row 38: ([k2, sl1] x4 k13) x4

Row 39: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k10) x4 [92sts]

Row 40: ([k2, sl1] x4 k11) x4

Row 41: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k8) x4 [84sts]

Row 42: ([k2, sl1] x4 k9) x4

Row 43: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k6) x4 [76sts]

Row 44: ([k2, sl1] x4 k7) x4

Row 45: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k4) x4 [68 sts]

Row 46: ([k2, sl1] x4 k5) x4

Row 47: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog, k2) x4 [60sts]

Row 48: ([k2, sl1] x4, k3) x4

Row 49: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L, k2tog) x4 [52sts]

Row 50: ([k2, sl1] x4, k1) x4

Row 51: (SSK, [T2L, K1] x3, T2L) x4 [48sts]

Row 52: (k2, sl1) to end

Remove st marker, k 2, PM. This is now the beginning of the row.

Row 53: [SSK, K1, T2L, K1,]x8, [40 sts]

Row 54: (sl1, k2, sl1, k1) to end

Row 55: (ssk, k1, t2l [32sts]

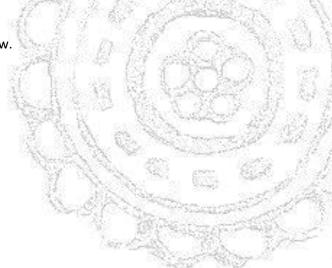
Row 56: sl1, (k2, sl2) until 1sr remains, sl1

Row 57: (ssk, k2tog)

Break end and thread through the live stitches.

Bind off and sew in ends.





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