

# Knit Burial Gown



**This little gown is open backed, making it easier to dress baby. The finished gown weighs 40 - 45 grms (11/4--11/2oz) The chest measures 10" (25cms) and the total length is 12 1/2 " (31cms)**

Using 4ply yarn (UK) Sport weight (USA) and No 9 (3.75mm) No 5 (USA)

White or Pale Cream is nice, if you do use a colour, please make it pastel. You can vary the skirt pattern, but please do NOT use an open lace pattern, unless you are prepared to line the skirt. If you wash the finished garment steam it, and pat it flat, but do not let the iron touch the garment.

If you wish to make a larger garment use DK wool and no 8 (4mm) No 6 (USA) needles

Cast on 94 stitches, and knit 7 rows in Garter Stitch(every row Knit)

## **Change to pattern:**

**1st row** Knit 4\* Purl 2, Knit 2, to last 4 stitches Knit 4

**2nd row** Knit 4\* Knit 2, Purl 2, to last 4 stitches Knit 4

**3rd row** Repeat 2nd Row

**4th row** Repeat 1st row

These four rows form the pattern. Continue in pattern until work measures 8" (20cms) or 10"(25cm) whichever you prefer

**Next Row:** Knit 4, Decrease 22stitches ( by knitting 2 together) until 4 stitches remain Knit 4. There should be 72 stitches left on needle. **Next Row:** Knit 4, Purl to the last 4 stitches Knit 4

**Next Row:** Make eyelets as follows. Knit 4\* Knit 1 yarn forward Knit 2 together, repeat from \* to the last 4 stitches . Knit 4.

**Next Row:** Knit 4 Purl to the last 4 stitches Knit 4. ( 72 stitches on needle)

## **Divide for the bodice**

**Next Row:** Knit 16 stitches, Cast off 6 stitches Knit 28 ( including stitch on needle).. Cast off 6 stitches, Knit 16 remaining stitches. .

## **Working on first section only:**

**Next Row:** Knit 4, Purl to end

**Next Row:** Knit 1, Slip1,Knit1, Pass Slip stitch over, Knit to end of row. Repeat these two rows until 8 stitches remain, slip these stitches on to a stitch holder. With wrong side of the work facing re join the yarn .Purl 28 stitches and turn work.

**Next Row:** Knit 1, Slip 1, Knit 1. Pass slip stitch over Knit to last 3 stitches Knit 2 together, Knit 1

**Next Row:** Purl

Repeat these last two rows until 12 stitches remain. Slip these stitches on to a stitch holder.

With wrong side of the work facing re join yarn to the remaining 16 stitches

**Next Row:** Purl to the last 4 stitches , knit 4

**Next Row:** Knit to the last 3 stitches, knit 2 together ,knit 1

**Next Row:** Purl to the last 4 stitches , knit 4

Repeat the last two rows until 8 stitches remain. Slip these stitches on to a stitch holder

**SLEEVES:** Make Two

Cast on 28 stitches and knit 5 rows Garter Stitch (every row Knit)

Change to Stocking Stitch (knit 1 row Purl 1 row), and work straight, until work measures 21/2 " (6.5cm)

**Shape Raglan:**

**1st row:** Cast off two stitches at the beginning of the row - 26sts

**2nd row:** Repeat 1st row - 24sts

**3rd row:** Knit 1, Slip 1, Knit 1.Pass slip stitch over. Knit to the last 3 stitches Knit 2 together Knit 1

**4th row:** Purl

Repeat the last two rows until 8 stitches remain

Slip these stitches onto a stitch holder

**NECKBAND:**

With right side facing Knit 8 stitches from first section. Knit 8 stitches from first sleeve top, Knit 12 stitches from centre section, knit 8 stitches from second sleeve top, then remaining 8 stitches from last section - 44 stitches

**Next Row:** Knit

**Next Row:** Knit 4\* Wind Yarn round needle, Knit 2 together repeat from \* to the last 4 stitches Knit 4 (this forms another eyelet row)

Knit 2 more rows in Garter stitch (every row Knit)

Cast Off.

Thread narrow baby ribbon through holes at waist and neck. Tie at the back of the gown. If you wish you could put a rosebud etc. on the bodice.