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Cute Baby Racer Leggings

Sizes

0-6 months (12 months, 18 months, 24 months)

Finished measurements

Waist: 13 (15, 18, 20)" (33, 38, 45.5, 51 cm) Length: 16 (18, 21, 23)" (40.5, 45.5, 53.5, 58.5 cm) Yarn 3 (4, 4, 5) skeins

Needles and notions

- US size 6 (4mm) knitting needles, or size needed to obtain gauge
- US size 4 (3.5mm) knitting needles
- Yarn needle

Gauge

20 stitches and 24 rows = 4" (10cm) in stockinette stitch using larger needles. Adjust needle size as necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Notes

1. The Leggings are knit in two pieces, back and forth in rows, from the waist down to the cuff. The Legs are sewn together at the center waist.

2. Short rows are used to add fullness to the back.

3. Short row shaping is used to add an approximate 1 ½" (4cm) rise to the back of the pants. Take care when measuring for length measurements. All measurements should be taken from the center of the piece.

Short rows

Wrap and turn: Bring yarn to front, slip next stitch, turn, wrap yarn around slip stitch and slip same stitch back onto right--hand needle. On next round, work wrapped stitch by picking up wrap and working together with the stitch on the left--hand needle.

Right pant leg Waistband

Using smaller needles, cast on 32 (38, 46, 50) stitches.

Row 1 *K1, p1; repeat from * across.

Repeat row 1 for ribbing until piece measures 3/4 (1, 1, 1)" (2, 2.5, 2.5, 2.5 cm) from the beginning, ending with a wrong--side row.

Change to larger needles and stockinette stitch, and work 2 rows.

Back Shaping (short rows)

K5, wrap and turn. P5, wrap and turn.

K10, wrap and turn. P10, wrap and turn.

K15, wrap and turn. P15, wrap and turn.

K20, wrap and turn. P20, wrap and turn.

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Continue in stockinette stitch across all the stitches until the piece measures 2 (3, 31/2, 4)" (5, 7.5, 9, 10 cm) from ribbing, ending with a wrong--side row.

Increase row (right side)

K1, m1, knit to last stitch, m1, k1. Work 3 rows even. Repeat last 4 rows 4 times – 40 (46, 54, 58) stitches. Work even until the piece measures 6 ½ (7, 7 ½, 8)" (16.5, 18, 19, 20.5cm) from the beginning, ending with a wrong-side row.

Shape leg Next row (right side)

K1, ssk, knit to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1 Purl 1 row. Repeat the last 2 rows twice more – 34 (40, 48, 52) stitches. Continue until the piece measures 16 (18, 21, 23)" (40.5, 45.5, 53.5, 58.5 cm) from the beginning. Bind off loosely.

Left pant leg Waistband

Using smaller needles, cast on 32 (38, 46, 50) stitches.

Row 1 *K1, p1; repeat from * across.

Repeat row 1 for ribbing until piece measures D/e (1, 1, 1)" (2, 2.5, 2.5, 2.5 cm) from the beginning, ending with a wrong--side row.

Change to larger needles and stockinette stitch, and work 3 rows.

Back shaping (short rows)

P5, wrap and turn.
K5, wrap and turn.
P10, wrap and turn.
K10, wrap and turn.
P15, wrap and turn.
P15, wrap and turn.
K15, wrap and turn.
P20, wrap and turn.
K20, wrap and turn.
Continue in stockinette stitch across all stitches until the piece measures 2 (3, 3 ½, 4)" (5, 7.5, 9, 10 cm) from ribbing, ending with a wrong-side row.

Increase row (right side)

K1, m1, knit to last stitch, m1, k1. Work 3 rows even. Repeat last 4 rows 4 times – 40 (46, 54, 58) stitches. Work even until the piece measures 6 ½ (7, 7 ½, 8)" (16.5 [18, 19, 20.5 cm) from the beginning, ending with a wrong-side row.

Shape leg Next row (right side)

K1, ssk, knit to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1 Purl 1 row. Repeat the last 2 rows twice more—34 (40, 48, 52) stitches. Continue until the piece measures 16 (18, 21, 23)" (40.5, 45.5, 53.5, 58.5cm) from the beginning. Bind off loosely.

Finishing

Lightly block. Sew the Legs together along the center of the front and back seams. Sew the Leg seams. Weave in ends.