



## Knitwear for tiny Simply Ami, and other small dolls

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*knits should fit slender bodied 5-5 1/2 inch dolls*

### Materials:

- Sock or fingering weight yarn.
- Size 0 (2.0 mm) dpns
- 1/4 inch buttons
- Size 1 steel crochet hook

Gauge: 10 sts = 1 inch

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### *Notes on modifying this pattern for other garments:*

The basic sweater design can be easily modified to a smock, dress, nightgown. To make a dress, in row 8 work an increase in every other stitch, for 72 total stitches, then in round 12 divide for the arms as follows: K20, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn, K20, place the last 16 sts on waste yarn. Divide the body stitches onto four needles, 10 sts per needle. You can work evenly on these 40 sts for the length desired, or make a fuller dress and increase two stitches on each needle in round 11. When working the sleeves, add two stitches under the arm for 18 sts and work to your desired length.

To make a smock with flared sleeve caps, in row 8 work increase in every st, for a total of 96 sts. in round 12 divide for the arms as follows: K24, place the next 24 sts on waste yarn, K24, place the last 24 sts on waste yarn. Divide the 48 body stitches onto three dpns with 16 sts per needle.

As you can see, you can easily change the number of stitches for the body and sleeves. The main thing here is that you start with 24 stitches at the neck edge, using a very stretchy cast on. This way the garment can be made without an opening in the back, and pulled onto the doll feet first.

Check out this video for an excellent, stretchy cast on:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kWxuYgAHPw>

**Pullover sweater** is work seamlessly from the neck down. By using a very stretchy cast on, you can pull this sweater up over the dolls feet, so no need to leave an opening in the back.

CO 24 sts to one dpn using a very stretchy cast on (do a Google search for stretchy cast-ons, or use the link referenced above). Divide the stitches evenly over four dpn's, six sts per needle.

1-4: K1, P1 ribbing for six rows. 24 sts

5: K24

6: Kinc in each st across. 48 sts

7: K48

8: (K2, Kinc)across, 64 sts.

9-11: K64

12: K16, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn, K16, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn. Divide the remaining 32 stitches on four dpn's, 8 sts per needle

13: On each needle increase one stitch, 36 sts total, nine sts per needle

14-24: K36

25-28: K1, P1 ribbing for four rounds. At the end of round 28 bind off knitwise.

**Sleeves:** place stitches from the waste yarn as follows: six sts on needle 1, six stitches on needle 2, four stitches on needle three. Pick up two stitches under the arm and place them on needle three. 18 sts total.

1-14: K18 around

15-18: K1, P1 ribbing for four rounds. At the end of round 18 bind off knitwise.

***Notes for alternative sweaters:***

1: For crew neck sweater, work two rows of garter stitch at the beginning, then one row of K24. On the fourth row increase to 48 knit sts; fifth row K48. On the sixth row increase to 64 sts, then knit rows seven, eight, and nine on 64 sts. Skip rows 10 and 11 and work from row 12.

2: For slender fitting sweater (one that fits under the pinafore dress/rompers) work rounds 12 through 24 on 32 sts, instead of increasing to 36 on round 13.

3: For a funnel neck sweater, knit six rounds of K1, P1 ribbing at the neck edge.

4: To work a Fair Isle pattern on the yoke of this sweater, work as for the crew neck sweater, but add one or two more K64 rows, for a total of 4 or 5 K64 rows with no increases. On these rows work the Fair Isle pattern of your choice. Those that will work well would be pattern repeats in multiples of 2, 4, and 8.

**A-line knit dress** is worked seamlessly from the neck down: cast on 24 sts using a stretchy cast on. Divide sts evenly over four dpns, six sts per needle.

1: K1, P1 across across for three rows. 24 sts Or if you prefer, work two or three rows of garter stitch for the neckline.

4: K 24

5: Kinc in each st across. 48 sts

6: K48

7: (K1, Kinc) across, 72 sts. Rearrange the stitches on four dpn's, 16 sts on the first needle, 20 sts on the second needle, 16 sts on the third needle, 20 sts per needle.

8-9: K72

10: K20, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn, K20, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn. Divide the remaining 40 stitches on four dpn's, 10 sts per needle. 40 sts.

11: (K4, Kinc) around. 48 sts.

12-26: K48

27: P 48

28: K48. Bind off knitwise

**Sleeves:** place stitches from the waste yarn as follows: six sts on needle 1, six stitches on needle 2, four stitches on needle three. Pick up two stitches under the arm and place them on needle three. 18 sts total.

1-7: K18 around

8: P18 around.

9: K18 around. Bind off knitwise.

## **Turtleneck sweater:**

CO 28 sts to one dpn with a stretchy cast on. Divide sts evenly over four dpns, seven sts per needle.

1-12: K1, P1 ribbing for 12 rows. 28 sts

13: K28

14: Kinc in each st across. 56 sts

15: K56

16: Increase two sts on each needle; 64 sts total, 16 sts per needle.

17-18: K64

19: K16, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn, K16, place the next 16 sts on waste yarn. Divide the remaining 32 stitches on four dpn's, 8 sts per needle

20: Increase one st on each needle, nine sts per needle, 36 sts total

21-31: K36

32-35: K1, P1 j ribbing for four rounds. At the end of round 31 bind off knitwise.

**Sleeves:** place stitches from the waste yarn as follows: six sts on needle 1, six stitches on needle 2, four stitches on needle three. Pick up twp stitches under the arm and place them on needle three. 18

sts total.

1-14: K18 around

15-18: K1, P1 ribbing for four rounds. At the end of round 18 bind off knitwise.

### **Knit Pants:**

Cast on 28 sts, leaving a long tail to create a buttonhole loop. This cast on should NOT be a stretchy one. Work the first four rows back and forth on two needles.

1-4: K1, P1 ribbing for four rows.

5: K28, working the stitches onto three dpns.

6: (K1, Kinc) around. 42 sts. Divide sts evenly over three needles, 14 sts per needle.

7: Increase two sts on each needle, 16 sts per needle, 48 sts total

8-14: K48

Divide for legs:

15: K24; place these 24 sts on three dpns and work this leg in the round. Place the remaining 24 sts on waste yarn to be worked later.

16-26: K24

27: (K4, K2tog) around, 20 sts.

28: K20

29-32: Work K1, P1 ribbing for four rows. Bind off knitwise.

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Place the sts on the waste yarn onto three dpns and knit around. Repeat rows 16 through 32 for the second leg.

With the tail at the beginning, make a chain-3 buttonhole loop with the size 1 steel crochet hook. Sew a 1/4 inch button opposite.

Sew the crotch opening closed, and weave in the loose end.

### **Alternative:**

1: These can be panties if the legs are worked for five rows or so.

**Pinafore Dress:** to make this dress fit over a sweater, CO 32 sts for the yoke of the pinafore. For a sundress that does not fit over a sweater, CO 28 for the yoke. For the more slender sundress, increase for the skirt on two rows, one from 28 to 56 sts, then the next from 56 to 64 sts.

Using a non-stetchy cast on, CO 32 sts and work 8 rows of moss stitch on two needles. Leave a long tail to make two crochet buttonhole loops. Work back and forth on two needles for the first eight rows.

1: K1, P1 across. 32 sts

2: P1, K1, across. 32 sts

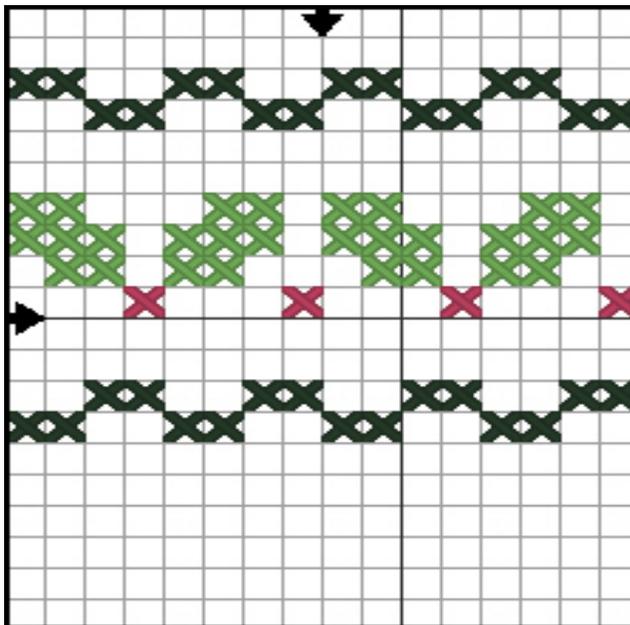
3-8: Repeat rows 1 and 2

9: K32, working the stitches onto four dpns; eight sts per needle.

10: Kinc in each st. 64 sts, 16 sts per needles

11-16: K64

17-28: Begin charted design



The design is 16 sts wide; work one repeat of this design on each needle.

29-31: Work three rows of K64 after the charted design,

32-35: then finish the skirt with four rows of moss stitch as with the bodice.

For the shoulder straps, join a contrasting color at the back of the bodice. With size 1 steel crochet hook, sc in the first six sts, chain 6, skip 4 sts, sc in the next 12 sts, chain 6, skip 4 sts, sc in the last six sts. Finish off. Work two buttonhole loops with the long yarn tail from the cast on, and sew two 1/4 inch buttons opposite.

**Alternate Yokes for this:**

1: You can make the yoke with ribbing of K1, P1 for eight rows; or K2, P2 instead.

2: You can Garter stitch (K every row when working back and forth on two needles) for 10 rows.

3: If making the more slender sundress, for the yoke straps, sc in the first five sts, chain 6, skip four sts,

sc in the next 10 sts, chain 6, skip four sts, sc in the last five sts.

**Rompers:** *to make the rompers fit over a sweater, CO 32 sts for the yoke of the rompers. For Rompers that do not fit over a sweater, CO 28 for the yoke. For the more slender rompers, increase after the yoke on two rows, one from 28 to 42 sts, then the next from 42 to 48 sts.*

Using a non-stetchy cast on, CO 32 sts and work 8 rows of moss stitch on two needles. Leave a long tail to make two crochet buttonhole loops.

1: K1, P1 across. 32 sts

2: P1, K1, across. 32 sts

3-8: Repeat rows 1 and 2

9: K32, working the stitches onto four dpns; eight sts per needle.

10: (K1, Kinc ) across. 48 sts

11-16: 48

17: K 24 sts and place these stitches on three needles, eight sts per needle. Place the remaining 24 sts on a piece of waste yarn. Continue with leg one on the first 24 sts,

18-28: K24

29: (K4, Kdec) around. 20 sts

30: K20

31-34: Work four rows of K1, P1 ribbing. bind off.

Pick up the unused sts from round 17 and complete the second leg.

Alternatives:

1: you can make the legs fuller by working a Kinc in every stitch of round 10, then divide the legs evenly at 32 sts, then decrease to 24 or 20 sts in round x+1.