



modern cabled baby bib

This little bib, my variation of the Simple Baby Bib by Colleen Kadleck, is a quick and easy baby knit with both modern (asymmetric styling) and classic (cable and seed stitch) elements. You can get two bibs out of one 100-yd. skein of worsted- or aran-weight cotton, and each bib requires only a few hours of knitting (making it a great project for first-time cable knitters!). Customize the bib by choosing a yarn color and button to fit the recipient -- for example, this pattern would be quite cute in a green yarn with a bright flower or ladybug button.

MATERIALS:

Size US 8 (5mm) needles

1 skein of Debbie Bliss Pure Cotton (100% worsted- weight cotton, 95 yds per skein, machine-washable; possible substitutes: Lily Sugar 'n Cream, KnitPicks Shine Worsted, Lion Brand Cotton-Ease, etc.)

3/4" to 1" button (preferably machine-washable)

GAUGE: approx. 5 sts/in and 7 rows/in. in seed stitch

PATTERN:

Cast on 28 stitches.

Row 1 (rs): (k1, p1) 10 times, [k1, p1, k4, p1, k1]

Row 2 (ws): [k1, k1, p4, k1, k1], (p1, k1) 10 times

Row 3: repeat row 1

Row 4: repeat row 2

Row 5: (k1, p1) 10 times, [k1, p1, C4B, p1, k1]

Row 6: repeat row 2

Continue with this 6-row repeat until length of bib is approx. 6", ending with a ws row.

Next row (rs): Bind off 20 stitches in k1, p1 pattern. On the remaining 8 stitches, continue working the six-row cable repeat (the sections above in brackets) until strap is 9" long from cast-off edge. End with row 6 of the cable repeat.

Next row (rs): Work buttonhole as follows: k1, p1, k1, yo, k2tog, k1, p1, k1.

Work two more rows (rows 2 and 3) of cable repeat, then bind off loosely and weave in ends. Sew a cute button with coordinating thread to the top corner of the seed stitch square, and you're done!

ABBREVIATIONS:

rs = right side

ws = wrong side

C4B = slip 2 stitches onto a cable needle and hold to back of work. Knit 2 stitches off the left needle, then knit the 2 stitches off cable needle.

Questions, comments, corrections? Don't hesitate to contact Andrea via her blog at <http://string-theory.blogspot.com> or on Ravelry (username: gibsongirl).

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A COUPLE OF QUICK NOTES FOR YOU!

- I worked the sample with the Lion's Brand Recycled cotton. You can work it with either yarn choice!
- You should be able to work two or even three (Recycled cotton) bibs from one skein.
- We will go over how to cable without the help of a cable needle.
- We will sew on a snap button for closing rather than a buttonhole and button.
- You can skip the buttonhole making.
- The photo is a "life" size of the bib.
- Yours should match pretty closely.
- As always ... if you need help from afar ... call me @ 201.910.0027 or email me @ tantesophie@me.com
- Be well ... do good work ... and keep in touch!