



# **giddy baby**

A knitting pattern by Georgie Hallam



In Australia, giddy is a colloquial term for hello.  
While we do say hello too, our most popular salutation is giddy.  
We may even greet a new baby with the phrase, "Giddy little fella"

This cardigan is perfect for welcoming babies;  
into this world or into your heart.

Knit top-down and seamlessly it features simple increases in a striped garter stitch yoke.

Sized for chest measurements of 15 and 16".  
Fits approximately newborn and 3mths.

## Sizes:

To fit actual chest measurement of:

**15 & 16:** 15/38 [newborn- 3 months] (16/40.5 [3-6 months]) inches/cm.

Sizes are colour-coded throughout the pattern in line with the above.

This garment is designed with 1"/2.5cm of positive wearing ease. The ease of the garment is incorporated into the sizing already. See schematic below for finished garment measurements.

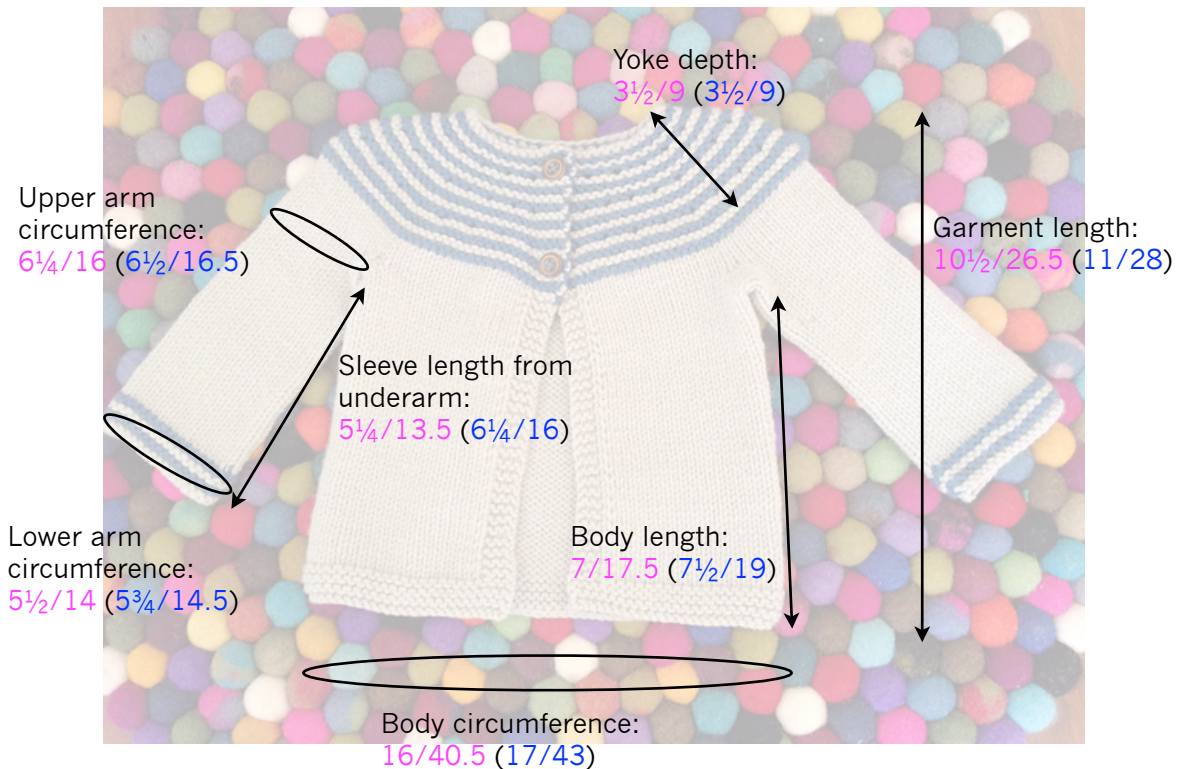
When choosing a size to knit, please choose the sizing based on the child's actual chest measurement rather than their age. Throughout the pattern you will be directed to knit for age, when knitting for body and sleeve length.

For more information on sizing, visit: [www.tikkiknits.com/pattern-sizing](http://www.tikkiknits.com/pattern-sizing)

Garment shown is the 16" size knit with no mods.

## Schematic:

finished measurements



## Suggested Yarn:

- White Gum Wool 8ply (100% ethical superfine merino; 286yd [236m]/100g)
- Augustbird White Gum Wool 8ply (100% ethical superfine merino; 286yd [236m]/100g)

Sample garment knit in colourways Gum Grey and Fairy Wren.

## Yardage:

### Main Colour:

**15-16:** 220/205 (250/230)

yards/metres approximately.

### Contrast Colour:

**15-16:** 50/45 (50/45)

yards/metres approximately.

## Tension:

22 stitches and 30 rows/rounds = 4" in stocking stitch on 4mm/US#6 needles.

22 stitches and 48 rows/rounds = 4" in garter stitch on 3.75mm/US#5 needles.

It is advisable to swatch both flat and in the round and adjust your needles accordingly to ensure you maintain a consistent tension throughout this project.

## Needles and Notions:

- 4mm/US#6 80cm and 20cm circular\* (or size required for tension).
- 3.75mm/US#5: 80cm or 100cm circular and 20cm circular\* (or size required for tension).
- one stitch markers.
- two pieces of waste yarn.
- two 18mm buttons.
- darning needle.

## Abbreviations:

<b>CC</b>	Contrast Colour.
<b>inc.</b>	increased.
<b>k</b>	knit.
<b>k2tog</b>	knit 2 stitches together.
<b>kfab</b>	knit into front and back of stitch.
<b>LH</b>	Left Hand.
<b>MC</b>	Main Colour.
<b>p</b>	purl.
<b>Rd</b>	Round.
<b>RH</b>	Right Hand.
<b>RS</b>	Right Side.
<b>sl1</b>	slip one.
	Slip stitch from left to right needle purl-wise, unless decreasing.
<b>slipm</b>	slip marker.
<b>sm</b>	stitch marker.
<b>SOR</b>	Start of Round.
<b>ssk</b>	slip slip knit.
	Slip two stitches knit-wise one at a time. Use the left needle to knit through both stitches to decrease.
<b>st/s</b>	stitch/es.
<b>WS</b>	Wrong Side.
<b>wyib</b>	with yarn in back.
<b>wyif</b>	with yarn in front.
<b>yo</b>	yarn over.

## Pattern notes:

This cardigan is knit top-down. The body of the cardigan is knit flat and the sleeves are knit in the round. The cardigan has a circular yoke which uses simple yarn over increases to shape it.

The edging is integrated into the garment as you knit, making for minimal finishing.



## Yoke:

Begin with your MC.

Using your 3.75mm/US#5 longer length needle and a long-tail cast on, cast on 48 (50) sts.

**Rows 1&2:** Switch to CC and knit.

**Rows 3&4:** Switch to MC and knit.

**Row 5:** (RS) Buttonhole row

Switch to CC and knit until until last 3 sts, yo, k2tog, k1.

**Row 6:** (WS) knit.

**Row 7:** (RS) Increase row one

Switch to MC and work as indicated for size:

**15:** k4, \*yo, k2; repeat from \* to last 4 sts, k4.

**16:** k4, \*yo, k2; repeat from \* to last 4 sts, yo, k4.

20 (22) sts inc.

**Stitch count:** 68 (72)

**TIP:** If you don't want an obvious hole as is left by the yarn over increase, on the next row knit through the back of the yarn over stitch.

**Row 8:** (WS) knit.

**Rows 9&10:** Switch to CC and knit.

**Rows 11&12:** Switch to MC and knit.

**Rows 13&14:** Switch to CC and knit.

**Row 15:** (RS) Increase row two

Switch to MC and work: k4, \*yo, k2; repeat from \* to last 4 sts, yo, k4. 31 (33) sts inc.

**Stitch count:** 99 (105)

**Row 16:** (WS) knit.

**Rows 17-22:** Repeat rows 9 to 14 switching colour where indicated.

**Row 23:** (RS) Increase row three

Switch to MC and work: k4, \*yo, k3; repeat from \* to last 5 sts, yo, k5. 31 (33) sts inc.

**Stitch count:** 130 (138)

**Row 24:** (WS) knit.

**Row 25:** (RS) Buttonhole row

Switch to CC and knit until until last 3 sts, yo, k2tog, k1.

**Row 26:** (WS) knit.

**Rows 27-30:** Repeat rows 11 to 14 switching colour where indicated.

**Row 31:** (RS) Switch to longer length 4mm/US#6 needle.

Switch to MC and knit.

**Row 32:** (WS) k3, wyib sl1 purlwise, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

**Row 33:** (RS) k3, wyif sl purlwise, knit to end of row.

Repeat rows 32 and 33, finishing with a WS row, until yoke measures from the cast on edge to the needles 3½"/9cms.

## Split for body and sleeves:

**Next row:** (RS) k3, wyif sl1 purlwise, knit across next 16 (17) sts.  
kfab into next stitch.

Slip next: 26 (28) sts onto waste yarn.  
Backward loop cast on: 5 (6) sts.

Kfab into next stitch. knit 34 (36).  
kfab into next stitch.

Slip next: 26 (28) stitches onto waste yarn.  
Backward loop cast on: 5 (6) sts.  
Kfab into next st, knit to end of row.

**Stitch count:** 92 (98)

## Body:

**Next row:** (WS) k3, wyib sl1 purlwise, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

**Next row:** (RS) k3, wyif sl1 purlwise, knit to end of row.

Repeat last two rows until garment measures approximately the desired length, finishing with a RS row. (as measured from the shoulder point next to the neckline):

Select length based on age.

newborn: 9¾/24.5

3mths: 10¼/26, inches/cms.

NB: hem will add an additional ¾"/2cm.

## Hemline:

Knit 6 rows.

Cast off loosely on the WS.