

It's so easy to

Knit a doll-sized spring sweater!

Great gift for a special little girl

Thrill a little girl you love with our trio of snappy sweaters, sized and styled just right for her favorite Barbie® doll!

side, use blue to pick up and k 25 sts evenly spaced along entire neck edge. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 1". Bind off loosely in rib. Stitched accents: using gold, embroider a row of running stitches across first row of St st along the bottom edge of the jacket and both sleeves. On each front, embroider a V of running stitches. Sew on 6 yellow beads for buttons.

WINDBREAKER

With pink, cast on and work same as for baseball jacket (working only 2 rows of ribbing) until piece measures 3" from beg. Work armhole shaping. Work even until piece measures 3 1/2" from beg. Bind off.

With turquoise, cast on and work left front same as for baseball jacket (working only 2 rows of ribbing) until piece measures 3" from beg. Work armhole shaping and front neck shaping. Work even until piece measures same length as back to shoulders. Bind off.

Front band: from right side, use pink to pick up and knit 31 sts evenly spaced along entire front edge. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows. Bind off loosely in rib. Stitched accent: using pink, embroider a mock slash pocket in chain-stitch. Make right front in yellow. Use orange to make left sleeve and green to make right sleeve.

Sew pieces tog following finishing directions. Hood: with pink, cast on 39 sts. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows. Work even in St st until piece measures 2" from beg. Bind off. Fold hood in half, right sides tog, and sew bound-off edge tog. Sew hood to neck edge. Hood tie: with pink and crochet hook, make a chain that measures 12". Fasten off. Weave chain through ribbing around hood. Knot each chain end. Bottom tie: with pink and hook, make a chain that measures 11". Fasten off. Weave chain through ribbing around bottom edge. Knot each chain end. Sew on 7 turquoise beads for buttons.

reversing armhole and front neck shapings. Embroider a mock slash pocket.

SLEEVE (MAKE 2)

With pink, cast on 10 sts. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows. Change to white. Next row: k across inc 1 st each side—12 sts. Beg with a p row, continue in St st and inc 1 st each side every 4th row 4 times—20 sts. Work even until sleeve measures 3' from beg. Bind off.

FINISHING

Use 1 ply of yarn to sew seams. Sew shoulder seams. Sew on sleeves. Sew side and sleeve seams. Neckband: from right side, use pink to pick up and k 25 sts evenly spaced along entire neck edge. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 4 rows. Bind off loosely in rib. Sew on 6 white buttons.

DENIM SWEATER

Using blue throughout, work same as for baseball jacket, omitting embroidery. Sew pieces tog following finishing directions. Collar: from right

Work even until piece measures 3 1/2" from beg. Bind off.

LEFT FRONT

With pink, cast on 9 sts. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 4 rows. Next row: k across, inc 2 sts evenly spaced—11 sts. Beg with a p row, work even in St st until piece measures 2" from beg, end on wrong side. Armhole shaping: bind off 2 sts at beg of next row—7 sts. Work even until armhole measures 3/4", end on right side. Front neck shaping: bind off 1 st at neck edge on this row, then every other row 3 times more—5 sts. Work even until front measures same length as back to shoulders. Bind off.

Front band: from right side, use pink to pick up and knit 24 sts evenly spaced along entire front edge. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 2 rows. Bind off loosely in rib. Stitched accents: using white, embroider initial in outline stitch, then embroider a mock slash pocket in chain-stitch.

RIGHT FRONT

Work same as for left front,

NEEDLES AND HOOK

Size 2 knitting needles or size to obtain gauge. Tapestry needle. Crochet hook size C (for windbreaker only).

NOTIONS

Six 1/4" white doll buttons #16050 from JHB International. 3mm beads: 6 yellow for denim jacket and 7 turquoise for windbreaker.

Directions

GAUGE

6 sts and 9 rows = 1" (in St st using two plys of yarn held together). To save time, take time to check gauge.

BASEBALL JACKET BACK

With pink, cast on 19 sts. Work in k 1, p 1 rib for 4 rows. Next row: k across, inc 3 sts evenly spaced—22 sts. Beg with a p row, work even in St st (k on right side, p on wrong side) until piece measures 2" from beg. Armhole shaping: bind off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows—18 sts.

Our colorful trio includes a monogrammed baseball sweater, a rugged "denim" sweater and a hooded windbreaker. Work in basic stockinette and single rib stitches using Paternayan 3 Ply Persian Yarn from JCA.

Materials

YARN

Paternayan 3 Ply Persian Wool (8-yr. skeins) from JCA, Inc. (35 Scales Lane, Townsend, MA 01469). For baseball jacket, you'll need 3 skeins #962 Pink and 2 skeins #260 White. For denim jacket, you'll need 4 skeins #542 Blue and 1 skein #710 Gold. For windbreaker, you'll need 2 skeins #962 Pink and 1 skein each #592 Turquoise, #760 Yellow, #811 Orange and #670 Green.

NEXT WEEK: Charming country kitchen accents