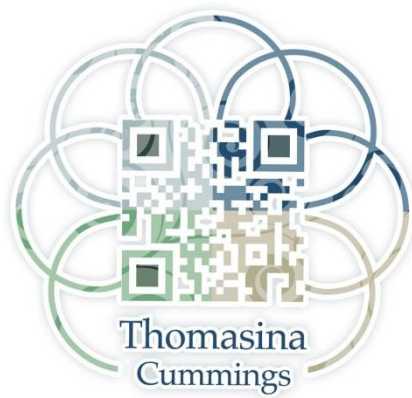




SIDE FASTENING CARDIGAN



This sweet little side fastening cardigan is perfect from birth to 12 months - trim it up (or down) for any occasion!

Colour changes are optional and quantities quoted are for given lengths

A cotton based yarn is recommended for summer wear.

SIZE CHART

Size	Approximate Age	Finished Chest	Suggested length	Quantity DK Yarn
1	0-3 months	38 cm (15")	17.5 cm (7")	150 m
2	3-6 months	40.5 cm (16")	20 cm (8")	210 m
3	6-12 months	45.5 cm (18")	22.5 cm (9")	270 m

Ages are given as a guide - where possible you should always obtain custom measurements for chest and length.

YOU WILL NEED 150-270 m double knitting (or light worsted weight) yarn, a 3.50 mm hook (or as necessary to meet gauge), a needle for neatening ends and 6-7 buttons - sized to fit through space between trebles on button band - the samples used 2.3 cm (7/8") diameter buttons stitched at every third row.

GAUGE: 15tr and 9 rows to 10 cm (4") in UK trebles (worked in spaces, as per bodice and as shown below).



Instructions are written using UK abbreviations. Please see list below for US equivalents.

UK abbreviation	UK term	US abbreviation	US term
bptr	back post treble	bpdc	back post double crochet
ch	chain		
dc	double crochet	sc	single crochet
fptra	front post treble	fpdc	front post double crochet
ks	kiss stitch		
rep	repeat		
RS	right side		
sp(s)	space(s)		
st(s)	stitch(es)		
tr	treble	dc	double crochet

SPECIAL STITCHES/METHODS

UK bptr (US bpdc): work the treble as usual but insert the hook from back to front **around the stem** of the stitch (right to left) instead of into the top of the stitch.

UK fptra (US fpdc): work the treble as usual but insert the hook from front to back **around the stem** of the stitch (right to left) instead of into the top of the stitch.

UK Kiss Stitch (ks), also known as cross stitch: miss next st, 1tr in next st, (working in front of current st) 1tr in missed st -count as 2sts.

US Kiss Stitch (ks), also known as cross stitch: skip next st, 1dc in next st, (working in front of current st) 1dc in missed st - count as 2sts.

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Upper Bodice - Instructions are given for size 1 (2, 3) as applicable.

Commence with a foundation of 47 (55, 55) ch.

Row 1: (RS) 1tr into 4th ch from hook, 1tr into each ch to end, turn - 45 (53, 53) sts counting turning ch as 1st.

Please take special care to note whether trebles are worked into a space or a stitch.

Row 2: 1dc in first st, 2ch (always counts as 1tr), 1tr into next tr, *1bpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 5 (6, 6) sps (**always begin in the sp that immediately follows**), rep from * to last 3tr, 1bpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 2sts, turn - 53 (61, 61) sts.

Row 3: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, *1fpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 6 (7, 7) sps, rep from * to last 3tr, 1fpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 2sts, turn - 61 (69, 69) sts.

Row 4: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, *1bpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 7 (8, 8) sps, rep from * to last 3tr, 1bpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 2sts, turn - 69 (77, 77) sts.

Row 5: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, *1fpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 8 (9, 9) sps, rep from * to last 3tr, 1fpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 2sts, turn - 77 (85, 85) sts.

You now have a curved shape with 5 rows, a button band at either end, and 8 shaped sections. Each section contains 8 (9, 9) trebles. Continue in this manner until you have 11 (12, 14) sts per section - 101 (109, 125) sts.

Proceed to Lower Bodice.

Lower Bodice

Row 1: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, 1fpnr around stem of next st, miss next 23 (25, 29) sts - i.e. 2 sections, 1fpnr around stem of next st, (1tr into each of next 12 (13, 15) sps, 1fpnr around stem of next st) twice, miss next 23 (25, 29) sts, 1fpnr around stem of next st, (1tr into each of next 12 (13, 15) sps, 1fpnr around stem of next st) twice, 1tr in last 2 sts, turn - 59 (63, 71) sts.

Row 2: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, 1bpnr around stem of next st, (1tr into each of next 13 (14, 16) sps, 1bpnr around stem of next st, 1tr into each of next 13 (14, 16) sps, 1bpnr around stem of both of the following fpnr joining them together) twice, 1tr in last 2 sts, turn - 61 (65, 73) sts. Proceed to Body.

Body

Row 1: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, 1fptra around stem of next st, 28 (30, 34) ks over next 56 (60, 68) sts, 1fptra around stem of next st, 1tr in last 2sts, turn - 62 (66, 74) sts.

Row 2: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, 1bptra around stem of next st, 28 (30, 34) ks over next 56 (60, 68) sts, 1bptra around stem of next st, 1tr in last 2sts, turn - 62 (66, 74) sts.

Row 3: 1dc in first st, 2ch, 1tr into next tr, 1fptra around stem of next st, 28 (30, 34) ks over next 56 (60, 68) sts, 1fptra around stem of next st, 1tr in last 2sts, turn - 62 (66, 74) sts.

Repeat Rows 2 & 3 (in pairs ending with a RS row) until a suggested centre back length of 17.5 (20, 22.5) cm (7", 8", 9") or as desired.

Proceed to Finishing.

Finishing

On final row, do not turn but rotate and continue with RS facing,

1. Work 2dc around each end-of-row st (i.e. sideways trebles and turning chains) to neck.
2. Rotate and work 2dc in first foundation ch of neckline to shape first top corner, 1dc in each remaining foundation ch around neckline with 1 extra dc in last st to shape second top corner.
3. Rotate and work 2dc in each end-of-row st to hem.
4. Rotate and work 2dc in first st of hem to shape first bottom corner, 1dc in each remaining st along hem with 1 extra dc in last st to shape second bottom corner.
5. Slip stitch to first dc to join, fasten off and neaten ends.

Securely stitch buttons, evenly along bottom button band, lining up with spaces on upper button band.

Body may be stitched below bodice, and trimmed with 'faux' buttons, for an alternative finish.