



# stitch Nation

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## Happy day dress

*Oh what fun it is to dress a little one in this pretty knit dress. It will span the seasons with the addition of a long sleeve tee and leggings. And best of all, this yarn is washable!*

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Designed by Amy Polcyn.

Instructions are for size 6 months; changes for sizes 12 and 18 months are in parentheses.

Finished Measurements  
Chest: 20¾ (21½, 22½)" .  
Length: 16 (17½, 19)" .

STITCH NATION by Debbie Stoller™ "Washable Ewe™": 2 (2, 3) balls 3215 Duckling

Circular Knitting Needles: 5mm [US 8] – 16" and 24".  
Stitch markers, stitch holders, yarn needle.

**GAUGE:** 17 sts = 4"; 22 rows = 4" in 4-st Razor Shell pattern, after blocking. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

### SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

#### 8-st Razor Shell

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: \* Yo, k2, slip 1, k2tog, psso, k2, yo, k1; repeat from \* around.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 for pattern.

#### 6-st Razor Shell

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: \* Yo, k1, slip 1, k2tog, psso, k1, yo, k1; repeat from \* around.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 for pattern.

#### 4-st Razor Shell

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: \* Yo, slip 1, k2tog, psso, yo, k1; repeat from \* around.  
Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 for pattern.

### DRESS

#### Skirt

Note: Change to shorter circular needle when needed.

Cast on 176 (184, 192) sts. Place marker and join in a round.  
Work in 8-st Razor Shell pattern for 4 (5, 5½)" , ending with Round 2.

**Decrease Round:** \* K2, k2tog; repeat from \* around – 132 (138, 144) sts. Work in 6-st Razor Shell pattern, beginning with Round 2, for 4 (4½, 5)" more, ending with Round 2.

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**Decrease Round:** \* K1, k2tog; repeat from \* around – 88 (92, 96) sts. Work in 4-st Razor Shell pattern, beginning with Round 2, for 3 (4, 4)" more, ending with Round 1.

## Divide for Front and Back

### Back-Shape Armholes

Place a second marker 44 (46, 48) sts from first marker. Bind off 3 sts, work in pattern (Round 2) to second marker, turn; place remaining 44 (46, 48) sts on holder for Front. Bind off 3 sts at beginning of next row and purl to end – 38 (40, 42) sts.

Continue in 4-st Razor Shell pattern, working back and forth in rows and Purling all wrong side rows. Work any extra sts at ends of rows in St st.

Dec 1 st each end of row every other row 3 times – 32 (34, 36) sts. Work even in pattern until armholes measure 4 (4, 4½)", end P row.

## Shape Shoulders and Neck

Bind off 3 (3, 4) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Bind off 3 sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Bind off 2 (3, 3) sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Place remaining 16 sts on a holder for back neck.

## Front

Place held 44 (46, 48) sts on needles. Shape armholes as for Back and work even in pattern until armholes measure 2", end P row.

## Shape Neck and Shoulders

Work in pattern across first 11 (12, 13) sts, join a second ball of yarn and bind off center 10 sts, work in pattern to end. Dec 1 st each neck edge every other row 3 times – 8 (9, 10) sts. Work even until Front measures same as Back to shoulder shaping. Shape shoulders as for Back.

## Sleeves

Cast on 33 sts. Work in 4-st Razor Shell pattern as follows:

**Row 1 (Wrong Side):** Purl.

**Row 2:** K1, \* yo, slip 1, k2tog, pssso, yo, k1; repeat from \* to end. Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for 1", end Purl row.

## Shape Cap

Bind off 3 sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Dec 1 st each end of every other row 3 times – 21 sts.

For size 18 months only: Work 2 rows even in pattern.

For all sizes: Dec 1 st each end of every row 4 times – 13 sts. Bind off 2 sts at beginning of next 4 rows. Bind off remaining 5 sts.

## FINISHING

Sew right shoulder seam.

## Neck Trim

With right side facing, pick up and knit 55 (55, 59) sts around neck edge. Work in ribbing as follows:

**Row 1 (Wrong Side):** P1, \* k1, p1; repeat from \* to end.

**Row 2:** K1, \* p1, k1; repeat from \* to end.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for ribbing for ¾". Bind off loosely in ribbing.

Sew left shoulder and neck trim seam. Set in sleeves; sew side and sleeve seams. Weave in ends.



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"Washable Ewe™", Art. T103 available in  
3.5 oz (100 g), 183 yd (167 m) balls.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** dec = decrease; k = knit; k2tog = knit 2 together; mm = millimeters, p = purl; sl 1-k2tog-pssso = slip 1 purlwise, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over; st(s) = stitch(es); St st = Stockinette stitch; yo = yarn over; \* or \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.



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