



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Modern Baby®**  
**Circus Sweater**  
Pattern Number: L401523



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**Free Knitting Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn**  
**Lion Brand® Modern Baby®**  
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**SKILL LEVEL:** Intermediate (Level 3)

**SIZE:** Child (Multiple Sizes)

2 years (4 years, 6 years)

**Finished Chest** 26 (29, 31) in. (66 (73.5, 79) cm)

**Finished Length** 14 1/2 (16, 18) in. (37 (40.5, 45.5) cm)

**CORRECTIONS:** None as of Jun 28, 2014. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

**MATERIALS**

- 924-130 [Lion Brand Modern Baby: Green](#)  
1 1, 1 Ball (A)
- 924-109 [Lion Brand Modern Baby: Blue](#)  
1 1, 1 Ball (B)
- 924-113 [Lion Brand Modern Baby: Red](#)  
1 2, 2 Ball (C)
- 924-158 [Lion Brand Modern Baby: Yellow](#)  
1 1, 1 Ball (D)
- 924-153 [Lion Brand Modern Baby: Black](#)  
1 1, 1 Ball (E)
- [Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 4 \[3.5 mm\]](#)
- [Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 6 \[4.00 mm\]](#)
- [Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size G-6 \(4 mm\)](#)
- [Lion Brand Stitch Holders](#)
- [Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles \(Set of 6\)](#)
- Additional Materials  
Sewing needle and neutral color sewing thread

*\*[Modern Baby](#) (Article #924). 50% Acrylic, 50% Nylon; package size: 2.60oz/75.00 gr. (173yds/158m) pull skeins*



**GAUGE:**

20 sts + 28 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS).

When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

#### Making a Gauge Swatch

#### **STITCH EXPLANATION:**

**kfb (knit in front and back)** Knit next st without removing it from left needle, then k through back of same st – 1 st increased.

#### **Chain Stitch**

Thread needle and bring from back to front through crocheted piece. \*Hold short length of yarn on front forming a small loop. Insert needle back into where it last came out, do not pull tight. Bring needle back through work and through small loop; repeat from \* until chain is desired length.

#### **PATTERN STITCH**

**K1, p1 Rib (worked over an even number of sts)**

**Row 1:** \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end of row.

**Row 2:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Row 2 for K1, p1 Rib.

#### **STRIPE SEQUENCE**

Work \*4 rows with C, 4 rows with D; rep from \* for Stripe Sequence.

#### **NOTES:**

1. Sweater is worked in 4 pieces, Back, Front and 2 Sleeves.
2. Seal chart is worked in intarsia colorwork, following a chart. Use a separate ball of yarn for each color section. Twist yarns on WS to prevent holes. Do not carry unused color(s) across WS of work.
3. For intarsia colorwork, you'll need 2 separate balls of C, so for smallest size, wind C into 2 balls. For all sizes, wind E into 1 small and 1 large ball before beginning.
4. When working from chart, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) and read RS rows from right to left and WS rows from left to right.
5. Diamond Chart is worked in stranded colorwork, carrying unused color across WS of work.
6. When you see "- 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.

## BACK

With smaller needles and A, cast on 66 (72, 78) sts.

Work in K1 p1 Rib for 10 rows.

### Diamond Chart

**Note:** Diamond Chart is worked in stranded colorwork, carrying unused color across WS of work.

Change to larger needles.

Beg with a RS (knit row), work in St st (k on RS, p on WS), working 6-st rep of Diamond Chart until all 8 rows have been completed.

With C, continue in St st until piece measures about 14 1/2 (16, 18) in. (37 (40.5, 45.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Bind off 20 (23, 26) sts at beg of next 2 rows – 26 sts.

Slip rem sts to a holder for back neck.

## FRONT

Work as for Back until Diamond Chart has been completed.

With C, work in St st for 4 rows.

### Seal Chart

**Next Row (RS):** With C, k13 (16, 19), work Row 1 of Seal Chart across next 40 sts, with C, k13 (16, 19).

Continue keeping in chart and St st until Row 70 of Seal Chart has been completed.

With C, continue in St st until piece measures about 12 (13 1/2, 15 1/2) in. (30.5 (34.5, 39.5) cm) from beg, end with a WS as the last row you work.

### Shape Neck

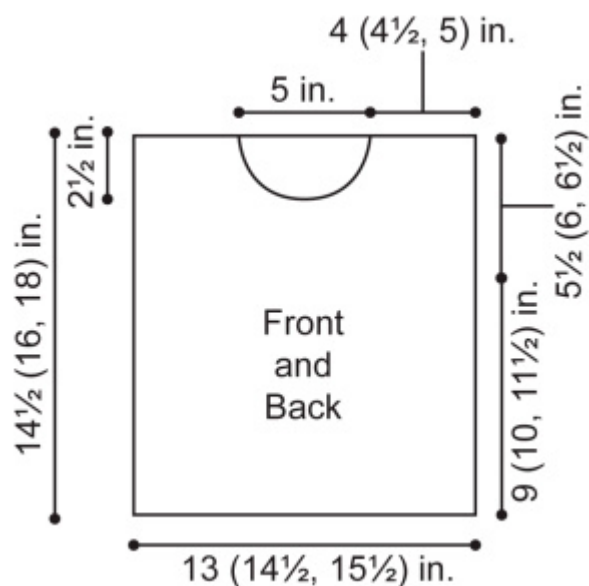
**Row 1 (RS):** With D, k27 (30, 33) sts, place the next 12 sts on a holder, join a 2nd ball of yarn and k to end of row – 27 (30, 33) sts rem on each side.

Work both sides AT THE SAME TIME with separate balls of yarn.

Bind off 3 sts at each neck edge once, then 2 sts once – 22 (25, 28) sts each side.

Dec 1 st at each neck edge twice – 20 (23, 26) sts each side.

Work even (without increasing or decreasing) in St st on both sides until piece measures same as Back to shoulders. Bind off each side.



## **SLEEVES (make 2)**

With smaller needles and A, cast on 34 sts.

Work in K1 p1 Rib for 10 rows.

Change to larger needles.

### **Begin Stripe Sequence**

**Next Row (Increase - RS):** With C, k1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 36 sts.

With C, work in St st for 3 rows.

**Inc Row (RS):** With D, k1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1 – 38 sts.

Continuing in St st and Stripe Sequence, rep Inc Row every 4th row 9 (11, 14) times – 56 (60, 66) sts when all incs have been completed.

Work even (without increasing or decreasing) in St st and Stripe Sequence until piece measures about 11 1/2 (13, 14) in. (29 (33, 35.5) cm) from beg.

Bind off.



## **FINISHING**

Sew left shoulder seam.

### **Neckband**

From RS with smaller needles, join C at neck edge of unsewn shoulder, pick up and k 72 sts evenly spaced around neck, including sts from back and front neck stitch holders – 72 sts.

Work in K1, p1 Rib for 7 rows.

Bind off in rib.

Sew shoulder seam including neckband.

Measure and mark 5 1/2 (6, 6 1/2) in. (14 (15, 16.5) cm) down from shoulders on Front and Back. Sew tops of Sleeves between markers. Sew side and Sleeve seams.

## **SEAL**

### **Eye**

With crochet hook and G, chain 8.

Fasten off.

Begin coiling chain into a spiral, securing with sts using sewing needle and thread to shape the chain into a circle.

Sew to Seal for eye.

### **Ball**

With B, embroider chain st around circumference of ball.

Weave in ends.

### **Flipper**

With larger needles and F, cast on 7 sts.

Work in St st for 12 rows.

**Next Row (RS):** K5, k2tog – 6 sts.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** K4, k2tog – 5 sts.

**Next Row:** Purl.

**Next Row:** K3, k2tog – 4 sts.

**Next Row:** Purl.

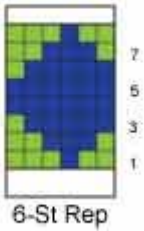
**Next Row:** (K2tog) twice – 2 sts.

Bind off.

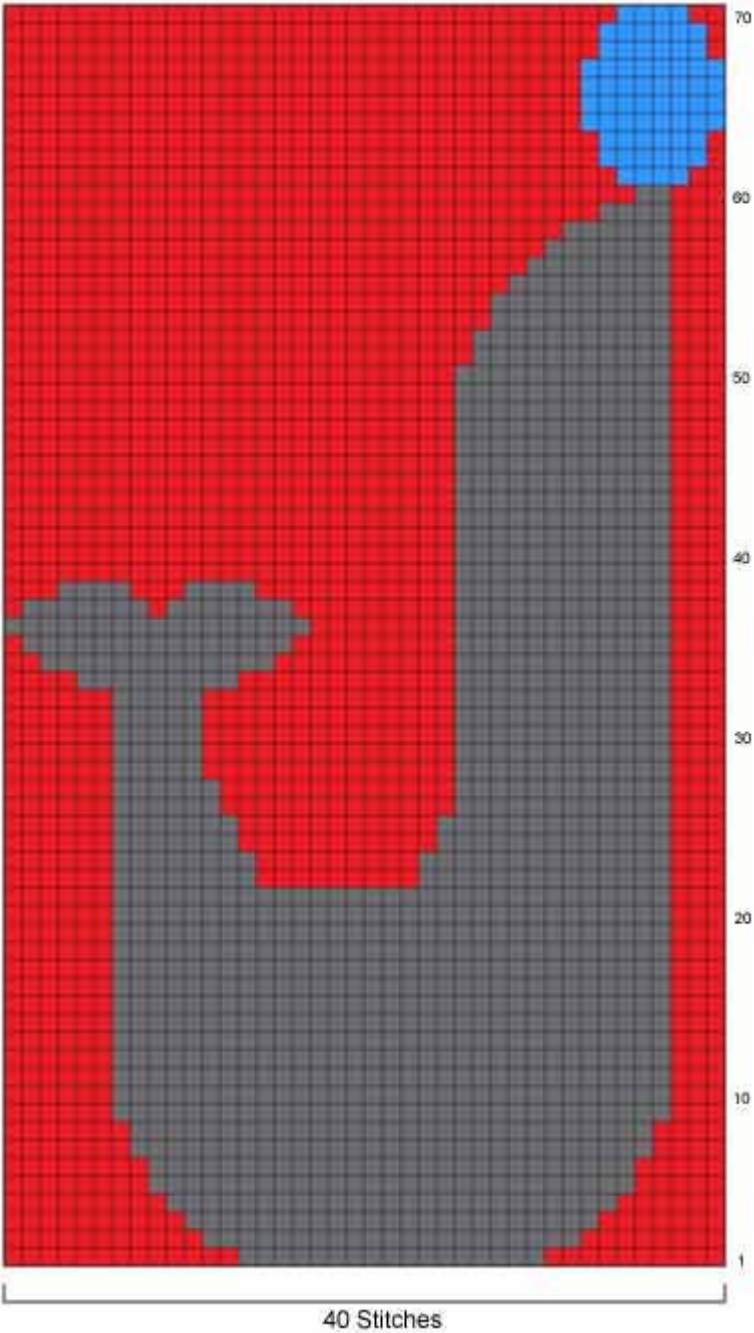
Sew Flipper to Seal's body.

Weave in ends.

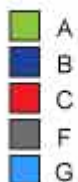
Diamond Chart



Seal Chart



#### Stitch Key



#### ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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|                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>       | <u>dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)</u> |
| <u>k = knit</u>                   | <u>k2tog = knit 2 together</u>  |
| <u>p = purl</u>                   | <u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>     |
| <u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>       | <u>RS = right side</u>          |
| <u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u> | <u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>       |

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