



# HOSTESS DRESS

An "Alice in Wonderland" frock like this helps the most modern miss to mind her party manners

## No. 45

Directions given for size 1 year to 18 months.

**MATERIALS:** Laines du Pingouin, Gazouillis—(5-ply) 4 balls main color, 1 ball contrasting color. No 2 knitting needles. No. 4 steel crochet hook. 3 buttons.

**STITCHES: Stockinette st:** K 1 row, P 1 row. **Garter st:** K all rows.

**GAUGE:** 7 sts = 1"; 10 rows = 1".

**BACK:** Cast on 150 sts. Work 4 rows garter st, then work as follows: \*11 rows stock st, 1 row knit on wrong side, repeat from \* 4 more times. Continue in stock st, until work measures 8" or desired length from start. K 1, K 2 tog across row, K last st. **Shape armholes:** At start of next 2 rows bind off 4 sts. Dec 1 st each side every other row twice. Divide work in half for back opening and work each side separately. Cast on 4 sts

at center edge and work these 4 sts in garter st. On one side make 3 buttonholes, 1" apart in border (K 1, bind off 2, K to end of row. On following row cast on 2 sts over the bound off sts). When armhole measures 4" **shape shoulder:** Starting at arm edge bind off 12 sts twice. Bind off remaining sts. Work other side to correspond, reversing shaping and omitting buttonholes.

**FRONT:** Make same as back until armholes are shaped. **Yoke:** On next K row work as follows: K 12, P 40, K 12. P back. Work as follows: All K rows: K 12, P 1, K 38, P 1, K 12. All P rows: P 12, K 1, P 38, K 1, P 12. When armholes measure 3" **shape neck:** Bind off 24 center sts, work each side separately. Work even until armhole measures same as back, **shape shoulder:** Starting at arm edge bind off 12 sts twice. Work other

side to correspond, reversing shaping.

**SLEEVES:** Cast on 45 sts. Work 5 rows stock st, K 1 row on wrong side, work 6 rows stock st. Next row: K 5, double all sts to within 5 sts, K 5. Work \*11 rows stock st, 1 row K on wrong side, repeat from \* 2 more times. When work measures 2" from start **shape cap:** At start of next 2 rows bind off 4 sts. Dec 2 sts each side every other row 8 times, K 2 tog across row, bind off. K 2 tog as you bind off.

**FINISHING:** Block all pieces. Weave shoulder and underarm seams. Sew sleeve seams and sew in sleeves. Sew buttons on back. With Contrasting Color crochet bands of shell st on the rows of K sts on the right side on sleeves, yoke and bottom of skirt. Attach yarn in a K st, \* skip 2 sts, 7 dc in next st, skip 2 sts, sc in next st, repeat from \*.

Toddler's Hostess Dress

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