

# Baby slippers

★ *Knitted in cool 100 per cent cotton, these are the perfect gift for a newborn baby. They will take only an evening or two at most to knit.*

## You will need

- Patons 100% Cotton 4 ply:
  - 1 x 100g ball in lilac (shade no. 01701)
- Pair of 2mm (US 0) knitting needles
- 2 buttons

## Tension and finished size

- 35 stitches and 64 rows to 10cm (4in) over garter stitch using 2mm (US 0) needles.
- Slipper measures 11cm (4½in) from toe to heel.

## Slippers (make 2)

With 2mm (US 0) needles, cast on 22 sts. Starting with a RS row, work in garter st, inc 1 st at each end of first and foll 7 alt rows (38 sts).

Work 1 row, ending with RS facing for next row.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and foll 7 alt rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row (22 sts).

This section forms the sole.

Cast on 8 sts (for heel) at beg of next row (30 sts).

Inc 1 st at beg of next and foll 7 alt rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row (38 sts).

Cast off 20 sts (for foot opening) at beg of next row (18 sts).

Work 19 rows on these 18 sts for top of foot, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Cast on 20 sts (for other side of foot opening)

at beg of next row (38 sts).

Dec 1 st at beg of next and foll 7 alt rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Cast off rem 30 sts knitways (on **WS**).

## Make up

Press following instructions on ball band.

Join straight row-end edges to form heel seam. Easing in fullness of upper section, sew upper section to sole.

## Strap

With RS facing and 2mm (US 0) needles, starting 9 sts before heel seam, **knit up** 9 sts to heel seam, then 9 sts beyond heel seam (18 sts).

Working in garter st, cast on 14 sts at beg of next 2 rows (46 sts).

Work 1 row, ending with RS facing for next row.

### LEFT SLIPPER ONLY

**Next row** K2, cast off 3 sts (to make buttonhole), k to end.

### RIGHT SLIPPER ONLY

**Next row** K to last 5 sts, cast off 3 sts (to make buttonhole), k to end.

### BOTH SLIPPERS

**Next row** K to end, casting on 3 sts over those cast off on previous row.

Work 3 rows, ending with **WS** facing for next row.

Cast off knitways (on **WS**).

Sew on buttons.