## Céleste

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## Material:

- 15 to 20 g of yarn (fingering)
- 3.25 mm (US 3) circular needles

## Abbreviations:

- CO: Cast on
- BO: Bind off
- C2B: Knit the 2nd stitch on left needle at the same time as 1st stitch is still on needle. Then knit 1st stitch through the back loop and lift both stitches off left needle.
- C2F: Knit 2nd stitch through the back loop on left needle at the same time as the 1st stitch is still on needle. Then knit 1st stitch as normal and lift both stitches off left needle.
- W2 (wrap 2): \*Slip 2 stitches purlwise with yarn in the back of the work, place yarn in front of work, put back the 2 stitches on the left needle, place yarn in back of the work\* repeat from \* to \* once. Slip 2 stitches purlwise (don't knit them).

## Instructions:

Start with the sole. CO 14 stitches, making sure you leave a tail of at least 4 inches of thread. It will be used later to pick up stitches...

K42 rows in garter stitch. You get 21 bars and the tail is on the right. With this thread, pick up and K21 stitches on the right side of the rectangle by sticking the needle in the garter stitches' loops. K14 following stitches at the top and pick up and K21 stitches on the left side. You have 56 stitches.

Purl one row.

Start the decorative stitch:

**R1:**K2, \*P2,K2\*, repeat from \* to \*, K2

**R2:**K2, \*W2, K2\*,repeat from \* to \*, K2

**R3:** K3, \*C2B, C2F \*,repeat from \* to \*, C2B, K3

**R4:** K4, \*W2, K2 \*,repeat from \* to \*, K4

**R5:** K5, \*C2B, C2F \*, repeat from \* to \*, K3

Repeat R2 to R5 twice more (12 rows in total)

Make 5 rows of stockinette stitch, starting with a purl row on the wrong side of work. Knit and BO the 6th row.

At the toe edge, with the wrong side facing you, pick up and knit 10 stitches on the side, 10 stitches on the sole and 10 stitches on the other side.

Knit 4 rows (2 bars).

Make sure right sides are facing each other when you proceed with the 3 needles bind off to close the baby slipper's toe.

Next row of slipper 1: **K10**, fold into two so that your two needles are one next to the other AND right sides are facing. Using a third needle, K10 stitches from each needle together. DO NOT BIND OFF at that point.

You have 10 stitches on each needle. Fold in two again and using a third needle, knit while binding off loosely 10 stitches.

Next row of slipper 2: **K20**, fold into two so that your two needles are one next to the other AND right sides are facing. Using a third needle, K10 stitches from each needle together. DO NOT BIND OFF at that point.

You have 10 stitches on each needle. Fold in two again and using a third needle, knit while binding off loosely 10 stitches

You can sew, add a button or add an iCord string to keep the slipper closed at the ankle.

I hope you will have fun knitting these baby slippers.

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