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Cardigan : Tips.



You need:

- Ready made cardigan.
- Ribbon: for this cardigan (children's size 4 to 5 years old) I used 1.5 meters Turquoise Palmetto Ribbon (Prod.nr. LFNT-100 COL 3/23mm) and approximately 2 meters Reversible Satin Ribbon (Prod nr. C-210/10mm COL 7)
- Four buttons and a couple of beads.
- Matching yarn.

1. There is no real recipe for a cardigan like this. One should experiment with the material at hand and some matching ribbons. But there are some tricks and tips.

2. I sew the ribbon on by hand. Mainly because of two reasons:

1. To avoid problems caused by stretchy (knitted) underground and the unelastic woven ribbon.

2. To be able to have (almost) invisible stitches.

3. To follow the rounded neckline I added frills at regular intervals for the wider ribbon. The jacquard pattern helps to get neat, regular frills.



4. The point where the straight line starts following a curved neckline is automatically managed by a frill for the wider ribbon. For the narrower ribbon, one needs to add a single „break“ to change the angle and get the ribbon “in position” for the neckline curve. This “break” is covered by a small button decorated with some beads, which at the same time set a nice accent.
5. Do not forget to calculate 1.5 to 2 cm extra for each piece of ribbon you cut, to be able to tuck the ends in and avoid fringing.