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Finished sizes:	0–3 months	4–7 months
maximum width	30 cm	35 cm
leg length	15 cm	20 cm
total length	35 cm	41 cm
meterage roughly	260 meters	340 meters

Proposed yarns: *DROPS Baby Merino or Malabrigo Mechita or Malabrigo Finito*
We used Malabrigo Finito, colorway 031, Mostaza.

Gauge: 26 stitches × 36 rows = 10 × 10 cm
Please measure after washing.

Materials: Circular needle, 3 mm (US 2½)
 Additionally double-pointed needles, 3 mm (US 2½) if you prefer
 Five stitch markers
 Darning needle

Hosenmatz is a pattern for casual baggy baby pants in Fingering-weight yarns. They offer a lot of room to move and kick and even parents using cloth diapers for their little ones will find these suiting the large “package”. The pants are knitted from the top down in rounds and the long cuffs can be folded down first and later be used as an elongation so *Hosenmatz* will grow with your child.



Abbreviations:

stsstitches

kknit

ppurl

pmplace marker

smslip marker

kfbknit front and back

m1l make one left

m1r make one right

Directions:

Setup:

Cast on 104 (112) sts, place marker and join for the round.

Belly cuff:

k2, p2 until you reach the marker, repeat until work measures 8 (10) cm

Body:

Next round: *k1, kfb, p2* until you reach the marker

— 130 (140) sts

Next rounds: k to end; repeat until work measures a total length of 12 (14) cm

Next round: k31 (33), pm, m1l, k3 (4), m1r, pm, k until you reach the marker (+2 sts)

Increase round 1: k to end (slip markers when you reach them)

Increase round 2: k to marker, sm, m1l, k to marker, m1r, sm, k to end (+2 sts)

Repeat increase round 1 and 2 three more times.

— 140 (150) sts

Next round: k106 (113) (slip markers when you reach them), pm, k3 (4), pm, k to end

Increase round 3: *knit to marker, sm, m1l, knit to marker, m1r, sm, repeat once from*,
k to end (+4 sts)

Increase round 4: k to end (slip markers when you reach them)

Repeat increase rounds 3 and 4 nine more times.

— 180 (190) sts

Next round: k to marker, remove marker, k7, bind off 19 (20) sts, k to marker, remove marker, k to marker, remove marker, k2, bind off 19 (20) sts, k to marker, remove marker, k to end

Legs:

k all sts until you reach the bind off edge, place next 71 (75) sts for the right leg on scrap yarn or holder without knitting them, join for the round for the left and knit to end (place sts evenly on double-pointed needles or two circular needles).

— 71 (75) sts

Continue in stockinette stitch until leg measures 9 (13) cm.

Next round: decrease 11 (11) sts evenly spaced

— 60 (64) sts

Next round: k to end

Next round: decrease 12 (16) sts evenly spaced

— 48 sts

Cuff:

Next round: *k2, p2*, repeat until you reach the marker, repeat until leg measures 15 (20) cm

Loosely bind off all stitches. You might want to try Jeny's surprisingly stretchy bind off method:

<http://www.lanade.de/blog/hosenmatz>

Knit second leg just like the first one. Darn in loose ends and sew together bind off edges. Enjoy! :)

