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Father's Day Special
Moss Stitch Tie
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SIZE

142cm (56in) long

MATERIALS

- * 2 x 50g balls of Debbie Bliss Baby Cashmerino in Ruby 700
- * Pair each of 2.75mm (US 2) and 3.25mm (US 3) knitting needles
- * 38cm (15in) of 2.5cm (1in) wide grosgrain ribbon

TENSION

28 sts and 48 rows to 10cm (4in) square over moss st using 3.25mm (US 3) needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

alt: alternate
beg: beginning
cont: continu(e)(ing)
dec: decreas(e)(ing)
foll: follow(s)(ing)
g: grams
cm: centimeter(s)
in: inch(es)
inc: increas(e)(ing)
k: knit
p: purl
tog: together
st: stitch

USA glossary

cast off: bind off
moss st: seed st
tension: gauge

TO MAKE

With 3.25mm (US 3) needles, cast on 13 sts.

Moss st row K1, [p1, k1] to end.

This row **forms** moss st and is repeated throughout.

Cont in moss st until strip measures 66cm (26in) from cast on edge.

Place markers at each end of last row.

Change to 2.75mm (US 2) needles.

Cont in moss st for a further 4 rows.

Dec row K1, [p1, k1] twice, p3tog, [k1, p1] twice, k1. 11 sts.

Cont in moss st until strip measures 103cm (40½in) from cast on edge.

Place markers at each end of last row.

Change to 3.25mm (US 3) needles.

Cont in moss st until strip measures 142cm (56in) from cast on edge.

Cast off in moss st.

TO FINISH

Neaten ribbon by folding 1.5cm ($\frac{5}{8}$ in) at each end onto wrong side and stitch folds in place.

Stitch ribbon to wrong side of tie centrally between markers. If preferred, you can also fold the edges of the cast on and cast off edges onto the wrong side to make points at each end of the tie. Position the ribbon backed section of the tie around the neck to lie under the collar, before tying.

