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## Baby Crazy

Baby items can be so rewarding to make. They come together quickly and with the right yarn, projects can fly off the needles. It seems like there is always someone somewhere who will appreciate hand-made baby gifts. Between friends and family, the demand may never cease. However, keeping new ideas coming when the bundles of joy keep coming can be tough. Luckily we have lots of options for you to keep you truly inspired. Baby yarn needs to be washable and even more importantly - soft. A yarn with a good twist can make the stitches on those blankets and garments pop. Finding a lightweight, warm yarn that has great stitch definition, is affordable, washable, and soft as a dream? It's right here. Patons® Beehive Baby Sport might be the one yarn that can inspire you to move beyond your old standby.

Patons® Beehive Baby Sport is a classic baby yarn, used for generations. Now blended with nylon, the yarn takes on a super soft hand - perfect next to baby's delicate skin. The traditional baby shades in this range are sweet and gentle and the new shades for the season are modern but still ideal for timeless baby items. We also have new twist shades, which are a 'twist' on the usual variegated shades. The finished fabric effect is just darling.



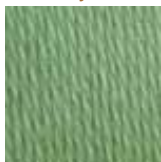
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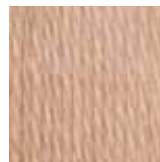
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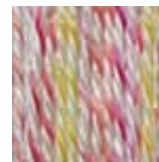
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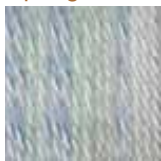
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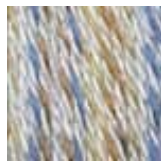
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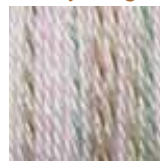
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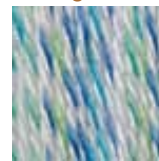
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## Introducing Precious

If the free textured blanket pattern caught your eye, then the rest of the patterns in our newest baby book from Patons®, pattern book #500870 [Precious](#) are sure to inspire. #500870 [Precious](#) has adorable knit and crochet patterns featuring Patons® [Beehive Baby Sport](#). From outfits to blankets to outerwear, you can be sure that every item you make will be soft on baby's skin and easy to care for.



Delicate Flowers Blanket  
in shade 11616 Big Girl



Hooded Cardigan  
in shade 11231 Big Boy



[Buy Patons® pattern book 500870 Precious](#)

Since we are featuring one of Patons®' longest standing yarns, it was only fitting that we should also highlight two of our longest standing home knitters. Pat and Joyce have worked with Patons® for decades, knitting and crocheting many of the wonderful designs you see in our pattern books. Their skills are a true asset to Patons® – from the tiniest of baby booties, to the largest and most complex of sweaters and afghans, we know that we can always rely on their accuracy and expertise when it comes to hand-made items. Its crafters like these two wonderful ladies that help Patons® bring you reliable patterns year after year.

## Greetings from Patons®

I joined Patons and Baldwins In October 1967. Pat and I met a short time later. We taught night school at secondary schools for more than 15 years, also performing knitting and crochet demonstrations at several different stores in the city. We both continue to knit and crochet for Patons®, creating the samples used in book photography and testing the patterns.

Over the years Pat and I have become very good friends, talking on the phone at least once a day. We often discuss our projects for Patons and our other crafting activities. One time the two of us each crocheted an entire afghan (with chunky yarn) over a weekend.

In general I prefer working with finer yarns, but for Patons® I'll make just about anything they give me.

-Joyce



**Joyce and Pat,  
Home Knitters**

In 1957 I answered an ad in the Toronto Telegram for home knitters and was hired, beginning my life as a professional knitter.

I met Joyce in the 1960s when we both did knitting demonstrations at Eaton's department store. Since then we have worked together at numerous fairs and events and worked as home knitters for Patons.

I live in Etobicoke, west of the city and Joyce lives in the east end of Toronto. Despite the distance, we talk almost daily, compare notes about our projects, and pick each other's brains when necessary.

When we come to the Patons® Design Studio to pick up our projects we usually arrange to meet beforehand for coffee, and love taking that time to catch up with each other.

-Pat

## Free Pattern - Baby Booties

These booties are a great gift for any baby. Quick and easy to knit, use them instead of a decorative bow on your next baby shower gift or let them stand out as a gift on their own. [Download](#) them now.



Remember, if you love a pattern or yarn, click the Add to My Hive button to save it in your library. To save the Baby Booties pattern to your library, just click on the image on the right, select the pattern, log in, and click on the Add to My Hive button.



There are lots of options out there when crafting for baby. Some clearly stand above the rest. Making a high quality, beautiful gift for a newcomer won't likely be forgotten and will be treasured for years to come.

Cheers,  
-The Patons® Design Studio