

# Official Pattern Grand Targhee Slouchy Hat

## Designed by Kristen Ashbaugh-Helmreich

Yam: 2 balls of Schachenmayr original Boston Yam- for striped hat, 1 ball each of two colors. Shown: #280- Sunfire Marl (MC) & #21- Gelb (CC)

Approximate Finished Size: 20 (22, 24)" head circumference Brim circumference (unstretched): 17.5 (19, 20.5)" Height: 9" not including pom pom.

Gauge: 12 sts = 4" in stockinette stitch on US 11 needles. Take time to check gauge!

Supplies: US 10.5- 16" Circular needle US 11- 16" Circular needle Set of US 11 Double Point Needles

Abbreviations: MC=main color CC=contrasting color K=knit P=purl CO=cast on BO=bind off k2tog=knit two together st(s)=stitch (es)

### DIRECTIONS:

With MC and smaller circular needle, co 56 (60, 64) sts

Join for knitting in the round and work in k2, p2 rib for 1.5"

With Larger circular needle, knit one round.

Switching to CC, knit 5 rounds.

Switch back to MC, knit 5 rounds.

Continue to alternate colors every 5 rounds until you have 3 stripes of the CC. Approximately 7.75-8."

#### Decreases:

Rnd 1: \*k 5 (4, 6), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 48 (50, 56) sts Rnd 2: \*k4 (3, 5), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 40 (40, 48) sts Rnd 3: \*k3 (2, 4), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 32 (30, 40) sts Rnd 4: \*k2 (1, 3), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 24 (20, 32) sts Rnd 5: \*k1 (0, 2), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 16 (10, 24) sts Rnd 6: \*k0 (0, 1), k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. 8 (5, 16) sts Rnd 7 (large size only): \*k2tog; repeat from \* to end of round. (8 sts)

#### **Finishing:**

Cut yarn and thread end through remaining sts. Cinch tight and run thread to inside of hat. Tie a knot and weave in all ends.

Make a pom pom by holding both colors together and wrapping until one of the colors runs out around an object that is about 2.5-3" wide. (I used my iPhone with the case on. Easy in a pinch.) -Use two 12" pieces of the remaining yarn held together to run through the center of the wrapped yarns in just one spot to tie them all together tightly. (I did this using a darning needle to make it easier on the glossy face of my iPhone.) On the direct opposite side from your first tie (backside of the phone), cut through all the strands of your pom pom. They will be way too long and will not look even. You will have to trim it down to the right size once it's on your hat.

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Attach your pom pom to your hat using the long ends of yarn you used to tie the pom pom together in the middle. Trim your pom pom to desired size. (Cut little bits at a time. Yarn is unlike hair, if you cut too much, it won't grow back and you'll end up with a bald spot.)

You are ready to shred some pow and look rad while doing so!





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