

Easy Slouch Hat

For Jimmy Beans Wool

Terry has been using this hat pattern to teach her beginning circular knitting students... It's a great way to practice decreasing, yarn-overs, and knitting in the round. We hope you enjoy it as much as Terry's students have!



Materials

- Dk (200 yds), worsted (200 yds) or bulky weight yarn. We used 2 hanks of Lorna's Laces Swirl DK for our sample.
- 16" circular and double pointed: DK use #6, worsted use #7 and for bulky use # 8-10.5 depending on the yarn.
Optional: if you want a slightly tighter ribbing use one needle size down for the ribbing only.

Gauge: Dk (5.5 sts/inch), worsted (4.25 sts/inch) or bulky (3 sts/inch) weight yarn.

Abbreviations

- CO: Cast On
- Kf/b: Knit front and back of stitch (an increase)
- K: Knit
- P: Purl
- YO; Yarn over
- K2tog: Knit 2 stitches together (a decrease)

Directions

(Note: numbers in parentheses are for bulky yarns)

- CO 104(96) and join into circle.
- work in K1, P1 ribbing for 1 to 1.5 inches
- Increase row: *K3, kf/b* repeat around 1 time. 130 (120) stitches
- Eyelet Pattern:
**Knit in stockinette for 1"
Purl 1 round
Knit 1 round
Next round: *k2tog, YO* repeat around if you have an odd stitch at the end just work it as K1, YO.
Knit 1 round
Purl 1 round**
- **Repeat above instructions two more times.
- Knit in stockinette for 1"
- Shape Crown:
Rnd 1: *K3, k2tog* repeat around. 104 (96) stitches
Rnds 2-4: Knit
Rnd 5: *K2, k2tog* repeat around. 78 (72) stitches
Rnds 6-8: Knit
Rnd 9: *K1, k2tog* repeat around. 52 (48) stitches
Rnds 10-12: Knit
Rnd 13: *k2tog* repeat around. 26 (24) stitches
Rnds 14-15: Knit
Rnd 16: *k2tog* repeat around. 13 (12) stitches
- Cut working yarn and thread onto tapestry needle. Slip remaining stitches onto tail and draw up tightly. Weave in tails on wrong side.
- You're done!

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