

A Touch of Whimsy Hat



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Stats

Yarn: 1 hank Malbrigo (215 yds)

Needles: size 7 needles and size 8-16 in circular needles, size 8 dpns, cable needle, tapestry needle

Gauge: 5 sts = 1 in. / 7 rows = 1 in

With size 7 needles cast on 30 sts using provisional cast on.

Hat Band directions:

Row 1: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k5, k2tog, yo, k1, cb4, k1, yo, ssk, k5, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 2 and all even rows: sl 1 wyif, k1, sl 1 wyif, k2, purl 20, k2, sl 1 wyif, k1, sl 1 wyif

Row 3: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k3, k2tog x2, yo, k1, yo, k4, yo, k1, yo, ssk x2, k3, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 5: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k2, k2tog x2, yo, k1, yo, k6, yo, k1, yo, ssk x2, k2, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 7: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k1, k2tog x2, yo, k1, yo, k2, cf4, k2, yo, k1, yo, ssk x2, k1, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 9: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k2tog x2, yo, k1, yo, k10, yo, k1, yo, ssk x2, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 11: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, p2, k2tog, k2, yo, k12, yo, k2, ssk, p2, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 12: rep row 2

Continue pattern for 20 inches, ending with row 12. If you are unable to end on row 12, end with an even number row. DO NOT BIND OFF, leave the sts live for grafting.

Very carefully unzip the provisional cast on.

Design note I removed the provisional cast one stitch at a time and put each stitch on a size 7 needle as I unzipped, this way I didn't lose any stitches as I unzipped the cast on.

WHIMSICAL KNITTING DESIGNS

Graft the sts from each end of the hat band together using the kitchener stitch. If you prefer, you can use a 3 needle bind off, but this will be more visible than kitchener method. After the ends are grafted together you are ready to pick up sts for the top of the hat.

Change to size 8-16 inch circular needles and pick up 80 sts (beginning at the graft, this will be the back of the hat) along the slip stitch edge, as seen here:



. You are now ready to knit the top of the hat. Knit with size 8-16 in. circ until the circumference becomes to small, then switch to size 8 dpns.

Rounds 1-3: knit

Round 4: *k8, k2tog; repeat from * - 72 sts

Rnds 5-6: knit

Rnd 7: *k7, k2tog; rep from * - 64 sts

Rnds 8-9: knit

Rnd 10: *k6, k2tog; rep from * - 56 sts

Rnds 11-12: knit

Rnd 13: *k5, k2tog; rep from * - 48 sts

Rnd 14-15: knit

Rnd 16: *k4, k2tog; rep from * - 40 sts

Rnds 17-18: knit

Rnd 19: *k3, k2tog; rep from * - 32 sts

Rnd 20: knit

Rnd 21: *k2, k2tog; rep from * - 24 sts

Rnd 22: knit

Rnd 23: *k1, k2tog; rep from * - 16 sts

Rnd 24: knit

Rnd 25: *k2tog; rep from * - 8 sts

Rnd 26: knit

Cut yarn and put on tapestry needle, pull sts together gently and weave in ends.

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Stitch Key:

Annie Modesitt's slip stitch edging:

RS: k1, sl 1 wyif, k1 on each edge

(K1, slip 1 stitch purlwise, with yarn in front, k1 on each edge of hat band)

WS: sl 1 wyif, k1, sl 1 wyif on each edge

(slip 1 stitch purlwise with yarn in front, k1, slip 1 stitch purlwise with yarn in front, k1)

****Design Note**** *Used by permission from Annie Modesitt.*

Cb4-cable back 4: slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold the cable needle at the back of your work, knit the next 2 sts on the left needle; then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.

Cf4-cable front 4: slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold the cable needle at the front of your work, knit the next 2 sts on the left needle; then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.



Happy Knitting
and
God Bless