

A simple, beginner-friendly hat for a head circumference of about 57cm/22.5" or 60cm/23.5", with rolling brim and optional "antennae" detail at the top.



Yarn

about 60g Soft Donegal by Studio Donegal, 100g/190m = 208 yds, 100% pure wool Needles and Notions

2 circular needles and/or 5 dpns, size 4-5mm (whatever gives you the correct gauge)

Tapestry needle

1 stitch marker

Stitches used

Knit only, in the round

Gauge

16,5 sts / 27 rounds = 10x10 cm / 4x4"

Abbreviations

CO = cast on, sts = stitches, k = knit, R = round, k2tog = knit 2 sts together

Instructions

CO 88 or 92 sts. Join for knitting in the round, being careful not to twist. Knit until your work measures 17cm/6.7" or 16cm/6.3" from the CO edge. You may find it helpful to have a marker at the beginning of the round.

Crown decreases:

The decreases for the larger size start earlier, i.e. after 16cm/6.3":

k21, k2tog the next 2 sts, repeat 3 more times = 88 sts

Starting at 17cm/6.7" height, decreases are now identical for <u>both sizes</u>. Place a marker at the beginning of the round if you have not already done so before.

Round 1: *k20, k2tog*, repeat 3 more times = 84 sts

R 2-4: knit 3 rounds without any decreases

R 5: *k19, k2tog*, repeat 3 more times = 80 sts

R 6-8: knit 3 rounds without any decreases

R 9: *k18, k2tog*, repeat 3 more times = 76 sts

R 10-12: knit 3 rounds without any decreases

R 13: *k17, k2tog*, repeat 3 more times = 72 sts

R 14-15: knit 2 rounds without any decreases

R 16: *k7, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 64 sts

R 17-18: knit 2 rounds without any decreases

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R 19:
          *k6, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 56 sts
R 20-21: knit 2 rounds without any decreases
R 22:
          *k5, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 48 sts
R 23:
          knit 1 round without any decreases
R 24:
          *k4, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 40 sts
R 25:
          knit 1 round without any decreases
R 26:
          *k3, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 32 sts
R 27:
          *k2, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 24 sts
R 28:
          *k1, k2tog*, repeat 7 more times = 16 sts
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If you do not like the "antennae" detail, finish here as follows:

Cut yarn, leaving 20cm /8". Using a tapestry needle, run the yarn through the remaining 8 sts (preferably twice) and pull the opening close. Weave in yarn from the inside.

The "antennae" are worked as icords, using 2 dpns.

k2tog 8 times = 8 sts

Place 4 sts on a holder or separate thread. Transfer the remaining 4 sts to a dpn.

Using the other dpn, k4. Do not turn, but push the right-hand dpn (which bears these 4 sts) to the left. Using the free dpn, knit these 4 sts again, pulling the working thread tightly around the back. Repeat until you have about 9cm /3,5" or as much length as you like. Stretch or massage the icord a bit from time to time to make it look more even. When you like the length, cut the yarn, leaving about 20cm/8", pull it through the 4 sts, pull the opening close and weave in inside the cord.

Repeat for the other "antenna", starting from the 4 sts that were placed on hold before. Leave a slightly longer tail as you cut the yarn this time and use the remaining tail to also close the gap between the 2 cords.

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