

Knit Hat Knit Flat

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Skills Required: Cast on, bind off, knit, purl, mattress stitch

Materials: Approximately 150 - 200 yards heavy worsted weight yarn, I used Caron One Pound in the color lilac

Needles: Size US 10 (6 mm) and US 10.5 (6.5 mm)

Gauge: 3.75 sts = 1 inch in Stockinette stitch using US 10.5 needles

Abbreviations: K, k = knit, P, p = purl, sts = stitches, K2tog = knit 2 stitches together

Size: Will fit most adults plus it's stretchy.

Notes: Brim is knit extra long in order to turn it up and have the double thickness to keep your ears nice and warm.

Pattern

With US 10 (6 mm) needles cast on 76 stitches using long tail cast on or whatever method you prefer.

Row 1: Knit 2, purl 2 to end of row

Repeat row 1 ribbing for approximately 6 inches

Next Row: Using US 10.5 needles begin knitting Stockinette stitch until your work measures 10 inches from the cast on. (This will allow for another inch to shape the crown)

Stockinette stitch:

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: Purl

Crown Shaping

Row 1: *K2, K2tog, repeat from * to end of row. 58 sts

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: *K1, K2tog, repeat from * to end of row. 38 sts

Row 4: Purl

Row 5: K2tog across the row. 19sts

When you're finished knitting your hat this is what it looks like on your needles:



Finish

Cut yarn and leave a long tail at least 8 – 10 inches in length.

Thread yarn tail through tapestry needle and work through remaining stitches on needle starting at the opposite end.



Draw up and pull tightly to close the top of the hat. You can even work the needle through those top stitches a second time to make sure the hat is tightly closed.

Then continue seaming with the mattress stitch down the back of the hat.

Weave in the ends and simply enjoy!

Happy Knitting!