



Basic Ribbed Hat by Jenn Wisbeck

A simple ribbed hat knit in the round with quick decreases at the top. This is the basic ribbed hat I make for donations. It's a great a mindless carry along project that lives in my bag and uses up my leftover yarn. It works equally well to show off handspun and handpainted yarns that don't work well with a more complicated stitch pattern.

Level

Beginner: knit, purl, decrease

Yarn

161 (181, 190, 193) yards/148 (166, 174, 177) meters dk weight yarn with good stitch definition
Shown in handspun wool yarn

Gauge

20 stitches and 28 rows per 4"/10 cm in ribbing, lightly stretched

Size

Small (Medium, Large, X-Large) shown in size Medium

Finished circumference: 19.2 (20.8, 20.8, 19.2) inches/ 48.8 (52.9, 52.9, 48.8) cm

Finished length: 8.68 (9.11, 9.68, 10.44) inches/ 22.2 (23.3, 24.8, 26.7) cm

Materials

US #4/3.5 mm 16" circular and double pointed (dpns) needles, or size to get gauge

Stitch marker to mark start of round

Tapestry needle to weave in ends

Abbreviations

K - Knit

P - Purl

K2tog - Knit 2 stitches together

P2tog - Purl 2 stitches together

Sk2p - Slip 1, knit 2 stitches together, pass slip stitch over

[] - Repeat from [to]

Notes

Changing the size or yarn weight? Cast on a multiple of 8 stitches. For a fold up brim work an additional 2"/5 cm of ribbing.

Directions

Cast on 72 (80, 88, 96) sts and join in the round being careful not to twist. Place marker to mark start of round. Slip this marker at the start of every round.

Work [k2, p2] ribbing around until hat measures 7.53 (7.96, 8.53, 9.29) inches/ 19.2 (20.3, 21.7, 23.6) cm from cast on, or desired length.

Decreases

Switch to double pointed needles when it becomes hard to work around on the circular needle.

Round 1: [K2, p2tog, k2, p2] around.

Round 2: [K2, p1, k2, p2] around.

Round 3: [K2, p1, k2, p2tog] around.

Round 4: [K2, p1, k2, p1] around.

Round 5: [K1, sk2p, k1, p1] around.

Round 6: [K3, p1] around.

Round 7: [Sk2p, p1] around.

Round 8: [K1,p1] around.

Remove stitch marker. Break yarn and pull through remaining stitches. Weave in all ends.