

Boys Winter Hat

Materials

Less than 1 skein of worsted weight yarn. (I used Red Heart Soft) in one or more colors.
Size 6 circular needle (16")
Size 7 circular needle (16")
Size 7 double pointed needles (4)

Gauge - 18 stitches and 22 rounds per 4"

Size - fits boys ages 7 - 12

Pattern

Ribbing

Using size 6 needles, cast on 104 stitches and join to knit in the round. Place marker after join to mark the beginning of the round.
Work in knit 1, Purl 1 rib for 10 rounds.

Body of Hat

Change to size 7 circular needle. Knit 52, make 1, knit 52 (105 stitches).

To make hat all one color - Knit for 16 rounds, then begin shaping.



To make stripes - alternate colors in desired thickness. In the pictures, I alternated colors in rows of three, continuing into the shaping.

Shaping (decrease in multiples of 8) (change to double pointed needles when necessary - I switched at Row 16)

Row 1 - Knit 51, K2tog, K52

Row 2 - (K11, K2tog) repeat to end of row (96 stitches)

Row 3 - Knit this and all odd rows through row 19

Row 4 - (K10, K2tog) repeat to end of row (88 stitches)

Row 6 - (K9, K2tog) repeat to end of row (80 stitches)

Row 8 - (K8, K2tog) repeat to end of row (72 stitches)

Row 10 - (K7, K2tog) repeat to end of row (64 stitches)

Row 12 - (K6, K2tog) repeat to end of row (56 stitches)

Row 14 - (K5, K2tog) repeat to end of row (48 stitches)

Row 16 - (K4, K2tog) repeat to end of row (40 stitches)

Row 18 - (K3, K2tog) repeat to end of row (32 stitches)

Row 20 - (K2, K2tog) repeat to end of row (24 stitches)

Row 21 - (K1, K2tog) repeat to end of row (16 stitches)

Row 22- (K2tog) repeat to end of row (8 stitches)

Cut a 10" tail and thread onto a tapestry needle. Weave the tail through the remaining stitches, pulling to close the top of the hat. Weave in all ends.

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