fancy zebra

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finished measurements

18" (46 cm) circumference at narrowest point27" (69 cm) circumference at widest point19" (49.5 cm) long

yarn

Shibui Silk Cloud

(60% kid mohair, 40% silk; 300 m / 330 y)

1 skein in each of 3 different colours

Shown in COLOUR A *Brass*, COLOUR B *Ivory*, and

COLOUR C *Tar*

Shibui Staccato

(70% superwash merino, 30% silk; 175 m / 191 y)

1 skein in each of 2 different colours

Shown in COLOUR B *Ivory* and COLOUR C *Tar*

needles

4.5 mm (US 7) 16" circular knitting needles – or size needled to obtain gauge

gauge

19 sts in 4" / 10cm Stockinette stitch





pattern

With two strands of colour A held together, cast on 120 stitches and join for working in the round, being careful not to twist stitches. Place marker for beginning of round.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k10, md, k10, yo), repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat roundss 1 and 2 once more (4 rows total). Break yarn.

With one strand of colour B in Staccato and one strand of colour B in Silk Cloud:

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k10, md, k10, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2 twice more (6 rows total)

With one strand of colour C in Staccato and one strand of colour C in Silk Cloud:

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k10, md, k10, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2 alternating Color B and C yarns until you have worked 13 2-round stripes of each colour.

With Colour C.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k10, md, k10, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2 - *first increase round*: (k7, M1L, k11, M1R, k6), repeat brackets 5 times remembering to knit yo's through the back loop (10 stitches increased; 130 stitches total)

With Colour B.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k11, md, k11, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2, alternating Colour B and C yarns six more times.

With Colour C.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k11, md, k11, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2 - second increase round: (k8, M1L, k11, M1R, k7), repeat brackets 5 times remembering to knit yo's through

the back loop (10 stitches increased; 140 stitches total)

With Colour B.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k12, md, k12, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2, alternating Colours B and C yarns six more times.

With Colour C.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k12, md, k12, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2 - third increase round: (k9, M1L, k11, M1R, k8), repeat brackets 5 times remembering to knit yo's through the back loop (10 stitches increased; 150 stitches total)

With Colour B.

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k13, md, k13, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2, alternating Colour B and C yarns three more times.

With Colour B

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k13, md, k13, yo) repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2 twice more (6 rows total)

With Colour A (remember, 2 strands held together).

Rnd 1: (k1, yo, k13, md, k13, yo), repeat brackets 5 times

Rnd 2: knit all stitches, knit yo's through the back loop

Repeat rounds 1 and 2 once more (4 rounds total). Break yarn.

Cast off very loosely, sew in ends, and block. Enjoy!

standard abbreviations

k: knit

yo: yarn over

M1L: insert the left-hand needle, from front to back, under the strand of yarn which runs between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left-hand needle. Knit this stitch through the back loop.

M1R: insert the left-hand needle, from back to front, under the strand of yarn which runs between the stitch just worked and the next stitch on the left-hand needle. Knit this stitch through the front loop.

md: mitered decrease (slip 2 sts tog as if to k2tog, k1, pass the 2 slipped sts over.



Happy knitting!



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