

Holiday Hats

sizes: preemie sm, (preemie med/newborn)

for older baby/toddler sizes, use worsted weight yarn
and 4.5mm & 5.0 mm (US 6 & 8) needles

needed:

Q 3.5mm & 4.25mm (us 4 & 6) double-point or circular knitting needles

Q MC: ½ ounce DK/light worsted weight yarn

C1: ¼ ounce

C2: ¼ ounce

optional: 1/2" button

gauge: 11 st/ 13 r = 2" with DK yarn and US 6 needles

all yarn requirements are approximate

abbreviations:

MC: main color

Cx: contrasting color(s)

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together
as one

p: purl

ssk: slip 2 stitches, separately and
knitwise, then knit them together
through their back loops

sl X: slip X stitch(es), purlwise
and with yarn in back, unless
otherwise noted

instructions:

picot edge:

with MC and smaller needles, cast on
48 (56, 64) using a provisional cast on.

Divide equally across needles. Join, taking care
not to twist.

Q k around for 4 rounds.

Q remove provisional anchor and transfer sts
in sections to a spare dpn or circular needle.

fold over the newly picked up stitches and
needle to the outside (purl side of work will
be the "right" side) and hold needle parallel
to the needle with the stitches to be
worked next.

knit together 1 stitch from each needle
until all stitches on needle are worked.

repeat process for 2nd and 3rd needles.

rolled edge

Q with MC, k around for 4 rounds.

crown:

Q k one round

Q attach C1. k 4 rounds

Q pick up MC. *k 3. allow next stitch to drop
(unknit) 4 rows (back to MC row). insert
needle into the stitch in the MC row below
the dropped stitch and knit, capturing the
loose threads of the dropped C1 stitch.
repeat from * around.

Q k one round

Q slip 2 stitches (these will be worked at the
end of the round). attach C2. k 4 rounds.
break C2.

Q pick up MC. beginning with the first stitch
after the slipped stitches, *k 3. allow next
stitch to drop (unknit) 4 rows (back to MC
row). insert needle into the stitch in the
MC row below the dropped stitch and knit,
capturing the loose threads of the dropped
C2 stitch. repeat from * around. break C2.

Q attach C1. k 4 rounds. break C1.

Q pick up MC. *k 3. allow next stitch to drop
(unknit) 4 rows (back to MC row). insert
needle into the stitch in the MC row below
the dropped stitch and knit, capturing the
loose threads of the dropped C1 stitch.
repeat from * around.

Q k 12 (15/18) rounds.

decreases:

Q *ssk, k10 (12, 14). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k9 (11, 13). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k8 (10, 12). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k7 (9, 11). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k6 (8, 10). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k5 (7, 9). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k4 (6, 8). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k3 (5, 7). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k2 (4, 6). repeat from * around

Q *ssk, k1 (3, 5). repeat from * around

for size medium & large, continue in
established decrease pattern until only
8 st remain.

Q clip, leaving a 12" tail. draw through loops
remaining on needles. tighten and tie off.
weave in end.

finishing options:

Q create one or more pom poms and fasten
securely to top of hat.

Q create a loopy topper

ear flap and closure

Q using C1 or C2, attach to inside edge of hat
and pick up 9 stitches.

Q k1, p1 4 times. slip last stitch. turn. repeat
for 6 rows.

Q k1, ssk, p, k, p, k2 tog, sl 1. turn.

Q k1, ssk, k, k2tog, sl. turn.

tie closure--

Q ssk, k, k2tog. turn.

Q make a 3-stitch i-cord that is 12" long.

Q weave in end.

button closure --

Q k1, p1 twice. slip last stitch. turn
repeat until chin strap is desired length (5
1/2 - 6 - 6 1/2 inches from ear flap)

Q make button hole - k1, p1, bind off 1, p1, sl
1. turn

Q k1, p1, yo, p1, sl 1. turn.

Q k across

Q repeat last 3 rows.

Q cast off - ssk, k1, k2tog.

Q tie off and weave in end.

skip 5 (6/7) "dots" from the first flap and create
a 2nd flap. if using chin strap, sew button on
2nd flap.

yarn in picture: Plymouth Dreambaby DK



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