

Patriotic Premie #2 Hat

med premie with adj for large premie & newborn in parenthesis

materials & gauge:

- ☆ 2.75mm/3.5mm (US 2/4) circular or double-point needles
- ☆ fingering yarn -
- MC (blue): 1/2 oz, C1 (red): 1/2 oz, C2 (white): 1/2 oz
- ☆ four 5/8" to 3/4" buttons

gauge: 2" = 13 st/18 r in gingham stitch design

all yarn requirements are approximate

yarn in photo: Bernat Sox

abbreviations:

MC: main color
CC: contrasting color
k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 sts together
as one
p: purl
p2tog: purl 2 sts together
as one

rnd(s): round(s)
sl X: slip X sts, purlwise and with yarn in back, unless otherwise noted
skp: slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped st over knit st
st(s): stitch(es)
YIB: yarn in front
YIF: yarn in back



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This pattern is worked in the round from the bottom up. Unless you make the sleeves separately, there is no sewing required except for the buttons.

gingham stitch pattern (multiple of 10):

each color is worked separately. each 2 steps will result in one visual round. as this is a stranded st pattern, use larger needles.

red check rows:

step 1: *with red, k5, sl 5. repeat from * around.

step 2: *with white, sl 5, k5. repeat from * around.

step 3: *using red, k5. [sl 1 YIF. sl 1 YIB] twice. sl 1 YIF. (this weaves the contrasting yarn between 5 sts.) repeat from * around.

step 4: *with white, sl 5, k5. repeat from * around.

step 5: *with red, k5. [sl 1 YIB, sl 1 YIF] twice. sl 1 YIB. repeat from * around.

step 6: *with white, sl 5, k5. repeat from * around.

steps 7 - 12: repeat steps 3 - 6 once and then steps 3 and 4 once more. visually, you will have completed 5 rounds with red checks dominant.

white check rows:

step 13: *with white [sl 1 YIF. sl 1 YIB] twice. YIF, slip next stitch purlwise. k 5 sts. re-

peat from * around.

step 14: *with red, k5, sl 5. repeat from * around.

step 15: *with white, [sl 1 YIB, sl 1 YIF] twice. sl 1 YIB. k5 sts. repeat from * around.

step 16: *with red, k5, sl 5. repeat from * around.

steps 17 - 22: repeat steps 13 - 16 once and then steps 13 and 14 once more. visually, you will have completed 5 rounds - with white checks dominant.

instructions:

With BLUE and smaller needles, cast on 72 (81, 90). Place marker to define beginning of round, and join to work in a circle.

ribbing:

12 rnds: with blue, k2, p1 around
MED PREMIE, knit one round, decreasing two stitches (70 sts)

LARGE PREMIE, knit one round, decreasing one stitch (80 sts)

NEWBORN, knit one round (90)

crowns:

work the following gingham stitch pattern repeats -

MED & LARGE PREMIE: red, white, red, white

NEWBORN: red, white, red, white, red

decreases - premie sizes:

☆ with C1, *k1, skp, k1. sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. repeat from * around. (56/64 st)

☆ with red, *sl 3. k1, skp, k1. repeat from * around. (42/48 st)

☆ with white, *k3. sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. repeat from * around.

☆ with red, *sl 3, k3. repeat from * around with white, *k3. sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. repeat from * around.

☆ using red, *skp. sl3. repeat from * around. (28/32 st)

☆ using white, *sl1, skp. repeat from * around. (14/16 st)

decreases - newborn:

☆ with white, *sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. k1, skp, k1. repeat from * around. (72 st)

☆ with red, k1, skp, k1. k3. sl3. repeat from * around. (54 st)

☆ with white, sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. k3. repeat from * around.

☆ with red, *k3. sl3. repeat from * around

☆ with white, *sl1 YIF. sl1 YIB. sl1 YIF. k3. repeat from * around.

☆ with white, *sl3, skp. repeat from * around. (36 st)

☆ with red, *skp. sl1. repeat from * around. (18 st)

finishing:

break blue, leaving a 12" tail. draw tail through remaining loops on needles. tie off and weave in all ends.



My mom was the most patriotic person I've ever known ... even when it wasn't as fashionable. Federal holidays always found the flag proudly displayed in the yard and her wearing red/white/blue.

She loved my patriotic layettes the best, so this set is in memory of my mom ... I know it would have made her smile.

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