

# Cornered by Woolly Wormhead



## *Yarn*

350yd/120m/100g  
Sock weight, multi-ply yarn.

## *Needles & Notions*

Set 2.75mm/UK12/US2 DPNs/Circular or size needed to obtain gauge  
Stitch marker as necessary  
Tapestry needle

## *Sample details*

Shown in Koigu PPPM [175yd/160m per 50g; 100% Merino] – the sample shown used approx. 60g.

Shown in size 22in/56cm on model with 23in/58.5cm circumference head

## *Gauge*

26 sts x 48 rows to 4in/10cm on 2.75mm needles over Garter St.

## *Sizes*

To fit sizes: 19 [22] in/48.25 [56] cm  
Finished size: 16 [18.5] in/43.75 [47] cm

## *Skills required*

Knit & purl sts, knitting in the round, increases & decreases, kitchener stitch OR 3-needle bind-off

*Abbreviations*

K:	knit
P:	purl
RS:	right side
WS:	wrong side
Rnd/rnd:	round
rpt:	repeat
st(s):	stitch(es)
k2tog:	knit next 2 sts together
ssk:	slip next 2 sts knitwise, then knit these 2 sts together through the backs of the loops

*Pattern Support*

I'm afraid I'm unable to offer pattern support via email for my free patterns. Should you have any questions regarding this pattern please visit the Woolly Wormhead group on Ravelry:  
<http://www.ravelry.com/groups/woolly-wormheads-hats>

*Special techniques*

Tutorials for 3-needle bind-off, kitchener stitch and crochet bind-off can be download in PDF format from here:  
<http://www.woollywormhead.com/knitting-crochet/>

*Adjustment Notes*

This pattern is easily adjusted by casting on extra stitches in multiples of 4. Do bear in mind that this pattern benefits from plenty of negative ease, and at this gauge, it might be wiser to cast on more or less stitches in multiples of 8 or even 16.

*Body*

Using preferred cast-on method, cast on 104 [120] sts. Join in the round, taking care not to twist the stitches. Place stitch marker to indicate the start of the round. (hint: I generally work a purl row flat onto a cable cast-on then join in the round - gives a nicer edge to the garter stitch)

Rnd 1: Knit all sts  
 Rnd 2: Purl all sts

Work these 2 rounds, creating garter stitch in the round, until work measures 4.75 [5.5]in/12 [14]cm from cast on edge, ending after a purl round.

For this Hat I used a fairly equal mix of brown and blue sock yarn, in pretty random stripes. I didn't follow a specific striping formula, I simply changed colour when I felt like it. The only thing I did was to change colour on a purl round, as I like the effect it gives. For your Hat you could use one colour or five - it's entirely up to you!

On the last round of the Body it might be helpful to add an additional stitch marker at the 60st/halfway point - this will allow you to work the crown shaping with less counting.

*Crown*

19in size start at Rnd 9; 22in size start at Rnd 1.

Rnd 1: [k2tog, K56, ssk] twice [116 sts]  
 Rnd 2 & all even rounds: Purl all stitches  
 Rnd 3: [k2tog, K54, ssk] twice [112 sts]  
 Rnd 5: [k2tog, K52, ssk] twice [108 sts]  
 Rnd 7: [k2tog, K50, ssk] twice [104 sts]  
 Rnd 9: [k2tog, K48, ssk] twice [100 sts]  
 Rnd 11: [k2tog, K46, ssk] twice [96 sts]  
 Rnd 13: [k2tog, K44, ssk] twice [92 sts]  
 Rnd 15: [k2tog, K42, ssk] twice [88 sts]  
 Rnd 17: [k2tog, K40, ssk] twice [84 sts]

Continue in this manner, decreasing 4 sts every other round, until you have decreased half the stitches - and have 52 [60] sts remaining - ending after a decrease round.

The Crown can get rather awkward, as you're creating angled flat corners - you may find it easier to work the stitches parallel on 2 circulars or 3 DPNs rather than try to continue working on a smaller circumference needle.

*Close top*

To close the top, K 26 [30] and lay the Hat flat. Then proceed to work kitchener for garter stitch - PDF found here - to close the top. You only work half the stitches before closing the top, as this sets up the stitches perfectly for garter stitch grafting. If you don't fancy grafting, you could turn the work inside out and use a 3-needle bind-off, or alternatively, I think a crochet bind-off looks pretty neat with garter stitch.

*Finishing*

Weave in all ends. Blocking isn't necessary.

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