



Yarn

109yd/100m/100g Bulky weight, multi-plied yarn

Needles & Notions

Set 5mm/UK6/US8 & 6mm/UK4/US10 DPNs/Circular or size needed to obtain gauge Stitch marker as necessary Tapestry needle

Sample details

Shown in Debbie Bliss Donegal Tweed [109yd/100m per 100g; 100% Wool]

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

Gauge

13 sts x 16 rows to 4in/10cm on 6mm needles over St.St.

Sizes

To fit sizes: 19 [21, 23] in/ 48 [53.5, 58.5] cm Finished size: 17.25 [19.25, 21.5] in/ 43.75 [49, 54.5] cm

Skills required

Knit & purl sts, knitting in the round, increases & decreases, I-cords

Abbreviations

K: knit

P: purl

RS: right side

WS: wrong side

Rnd/rnd: round

rpt: repeat

st(s): stitch(es)

St.St: Stocking (Stockinette) Stitch

M1: pick up the horizontal loop between sts, place

it onto the left needle then knit into the back

of it

k2tog: knit next 2 sts together

ssk: slip next 2 sts knitwise then knit the together

yo: Yarn over needle

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

Specialist Techniques

A tutorial for I-cords can be downloaded as a PDF from here:

http://www.woollywormhead.com/knitting-crochet/

How to

Using 5mm needles, cast on 3 sts and work I-cord for 10cm/4 inches.

Next rnd: Knit into the front & back of each stitch [6sts]

Spread sts across 3 needles, and join in the round taking care not to twist the sts

Crown

Rnd 1: Knit all sts

Rnd 2: *K1, M1, K1; rpt from * to end [9sts]

Rnd 3: Knit all sts

Rnd 4: *K1, M1, K2; rpt from * to end [12sts]

Rnd 5: Knit all sts

Rnd 6: *K1, M1, K3; rpt from * to end [15sts]

Rnd 7: Knit all sts

Rnd 8: *K1, M1, K4; rpt from * to end [18sts]

Rnd 9: Knit all sts

Rnd 10: *K1, M1, K5; rpt from * to end [21sts]

Change to 6mm needles.

Rnd 11: Knit all sts

Rnd 12: *K1, M1, K2; rpt from * to end [28 sts]

Rnd 13: *K1, M1, K3; rpt from * to end [35 sts]

Rnd 14: *K1, M1, K4; rpt from * to end [42 sts]

Rnd 15: *K1, M1, K5; rpt from * to end [49 sts]

Continue in this manner, increasing 7 sts per rnd, until you have 56 [63, 70] sts

Body

Now work Stocking Stitch by knitting every round until work measures 7.25 [7.5, 8] in/18 [19, 20] cm from base of I-cord.

Ear-Flaps

Next rnd: Cast off 6 [7, 8] sts, K12 [13, 14](1st earflap), cast off 20 [23, 26] sts, K12 [13, 14](2^{nd} earflap), cast off 6 [7, 8] sts.

Break yarn and rejoin yarn to 1st ear-flap with right side of work facing.

Next row: ssk, [P1, K1] (4, 4, 5) times, P 0 [1, 0], k2tog [10, 11, 12 sts]

Moss (Seed) stitch:

Row 1: K 0 (1, 0), *[P1, K1]; rpt from * to end Row 2: *K1, P1; rpt from * to end, K 0 (1, 0)

Work Moss (Seed) stitch until ear-flap measures 6.75 [7.25, 7.5] in/17 [18, 19] cm.

Next row: Keeping Moss (Seed) stitch continuous, work 4 [4, 5] sts in pattern, yo, k2tog, work in

Moss (Seed) stitch pattern to end Next row: Work Moss (seed) stitch

Next row: ssk, work Moss (seed) stitch to last 2 sts, k2tog

Repeat this last row until 2 [3, 2] sts remain then cast off.

Rejoin yarn to 2nd ear-flap with right side of work facing. Work to match 1st ear-flap.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. A gentle wash and blocking is required to help the increase lines settle in and lay flat.

To wear up, thread the I-cord through the eyelets at the end of the ear-flaps, and then tie a little knot.





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