

Cashmere Baby Hats

The softest thing next to baby's skin.

Finished measurements

16 –17” circumference, one size fits babies and toddlers

Gauge

26 sts and 30 rows to 4”/10cm in stockinette stitch on size US 5/3.75 mm needles

Note: Gauge is measured with two strands held together.

Materials

- ◆ Chianti Cashmere, 100 gr each approx 220 yards/203m; 100 % cashmere, Color C, Cream and color B, Brown, 1 skein each color (makes two hats). Substitute any DK weight yarn (single strand and half the yardage)...a fatter yarn will make a larger hat for an adult.
- ◆ Size US 5/ (3.75 mm) 16” circular and set double points (or any needles for knitting in the round),(or size to obtain gauge)
- ◆ Tapestry needle
- ◆ Ring-type marker
- ◆ Pom pom maker (for hat #2)

Stitch Glossary

- ◆ K2tog = Knit 2 sts together.

Houndstooth Hat

With 2 strands Cream, (Color C) cast on 96 sts; place a marker and join into a round, being careful not to twist stitches.

Knit 8 rounds. Cut color C.

Change to color B:

Round 1: * [K2, p2], repeat from * around.

Round 2: Knit

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 [3] times more. (Do not cut yarn)

Change to color C and knit one round. then purl 3 rounds.

Begin houndstooth pattern as follows:

Round 1: K1C, *[k1B, K3C], repeat from * to end.

Round 2: *[K1C, K3B], rep from * around.

Round 3: *[K3B, k1C], rep from * around.

Round 4: K2C, *[K1B, k3C] rep from * to last 2 sts; K1B, k1C.

Repeat these 4 rounds until hat from beginning measures approx. 4½”.

Change to color C and knit one round, then purl 3 rounds. (Cut cream here)

Note: Change to double points when work no longer fits on 16" circular.

Change to color B and work crown decreases as follows:

Round 1: [K10, k2tog] 8 times. (88 sts remain)

Round 2: [K2, p9] around.

Round 3: [K9, k2tog] 8 times. (80 sts remain)

Round 4: [K2, p8] 8 times.

Round 5: [K8, k2tog] 8 times. (72 sts remain)

Round 6: [K2, p7] 8 times.

Round 7: [K7, k2tog] 8 times. (64 sts remain)

Round 8: [[K2, P6] 8 times.

Round 9: [K6, k2tog] 8 times. (56 sts)

Round 10: [K2, p5] 8 times.

Round 11: [K5, k2tog] 8 times. (48 sts)

Round 12: [K2, p4] 8 times.

Round 13: [K4, k2tog] 8 times. (40 sts)

Round 14: [K2, p3] 8 times.

Round 15: [K3, k2tog] 8 times. (32 sts)

Round 16: [K2, p2] 8 times.

Round 17: [K2, k2tog] 8 times. (24 sts)

Round 18: [K2, p1] 8 times.

Round 19: [K1, k2tog] 8 times. (16 sts)

Round 20: [K2tog] 8 times. (8 sts)

If top knot is desired, join color C and work one round color C, one round color B until cord is long enough to tie a little knot, at least 3 inches.

If no top knot desired, cut yarn and thread with tapestry needle. Thread through remaining sts and go around a few times. Cinch tight and tuck end to inside of hat.

Striped Hat

With 2 strands Cream, (Color C) cast on 96 sts; place a marker and join into a round, being careful not to twist stitches. (yarn is doubled throughout)

Knit 8 rounds. Do not cut color C.

Round 1: [K2C, k2B] around.

Round 2: [K2C, p2B] around.

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 until Hat from beginning measures approx. 4½". End after completing any round 2.

Shape crown:

Round 1: *[K2C, k2B] 2 times; k2C, k2tog, repeat from * around. (88 sts remain).

Round 2: *[K2C, p2B] 2 times; k2C, p1B. Repeat from * around.

Round 3: *[K2C, k2B] 2 times; k1C, k2tog, repeat from * around. (80 sts)

Round 4: *[K2C, p2B] 2 times; K2C, repeat from * around.

Round 5: *[K2C, k2B] 2 times; k2tog, repeat from * around. (72 sts)

Round 6: *[K2C, p2B] 2 times; k1C, repeat from * around.

Round 7: *[K2C, k2B, k2C, k1B, k2tog (use B)], repeat from * around. (64 sts)

Round 8: *[K2C, p2B], repeat from * around.

Round 9: *[K2C, k2B, k2C, k2togB], repeat from * around. (56 sts)
Round 10: *[K2C, p2B, k2C, p1B], repeat from * around.
Round 11: *[K2C, k2B, k1C, k2togC], repeat from * around. (48 sts)
Round 12: *[K2C, p2B, k2C], repeat from * around.
Round 13: *[K2C, k2B, k2togC], rep from * around. (40 sts)
Round 14: *[K2C, p2B, k1C], rep from * around.
Round 15: *[K2C, k1B, k2togB], rep from * around. (32 sts)
Round 16: *[K2C, p2B], rep from * around.
Round 17: *[K2C, k2togB], rep from * around. (24 sts)
Round 18: *[K2C, p1B], rep from * around. Break yarn color B.
Round 19: with B, *[K1, k2tog], rep around. (16 sts)
Round 20: Knit.
Round 21: [K2tog] around (8 sts)
Thread tapestry needle with tail and weave through last 8 sts. Go around a few times and cinch tight. Tuck tail to inside.

Finishing:

Weave in all ends and steam lightly or block according to directions on ball band.

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