

B to the Three

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The Story

Basic. Brioche. Beanie.

Enough said.

Materials

Peepaloofields DK (100% superwash merino; 231 yds / 100g) 1
 skein DK yarn by Peepaloofields
 US 4 (3.5mm) 16" circular needle
 US 6 (4mm) 16" circular needle
 US 6 (4mm) set of double pointed needles (DPNs)
 Stitch markers (1 fixed, 1 removable)

Finished Size

21¼ inches circumference and 9 inches tall

Gauge

17 sts and 24 rows = 4 inches in brioche rib after blocking

Notes

This hat is constructed in the round, beginning with the brim and ending with the crown. This pattern includes written instructions only.

Adjust needle size as necessary to match gauge.

If you are new to brioche, I have created a collection of **How To Brioche** videos on YouTube: <http://tinyurl.com/jpenkxo>

Stitch Glossary:

br4st dec - brioche 4 st decrease (worked over 5 sts, 4 sts
 dec): sl first brioche st knitwise, sl next st knitwise, place
 next brioche st on removable marker and hold in front of
 work, knit next st on LH needle, pass slipped st on RH
 needle over (1 st dec), move st to LH needle, pass next
 brioche st over (1 st dec), move st to RH needle, pass first
 slipped brioche st over (1 st dec), move st from marker to
 LH needle, move st on RH needle to LH needle and pass
 held brioche sts over (1 st dec), move st back to RH needle
 brk - brioche knit; knit the st together with its wrap
 brk2tog - brioche knit 2 sts together with the associated
 wrap on the second st (1 st dec)
 brp - brioche purl; purl the st together with its wrap
 dec - decrease(d)
 k - knit
 LH - left hand
 rem - remain(s)
 rep - repeat
 RH - right hand
 rnd(s) - round(s)
 sl - slip stitch
 sl1yo - slip 1 st with yarn in front, yo
 st(s) - stitch(es)

If you find any errors or have any questions please feel free to email me directly: meaghan@unapologeticknitter.com

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Cast On & Setup

Using the smaller needle and the German Twisted Cast-On method, cast on 90 sts. Place a marker and join for working in the round.

Tutorial: <http://tinyurl.com/j64yl3d>

Setup Rnd a: *K1, sl1yo; rep from * to end.

Setup Rnd b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Brim

Rnd 1a: *Brk 1, sl1yo; rep from * to end.

Rnd 1b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rep [Rnds 1a and 1b] 10 more times, or until the Brim measures 2" from the cast-on edge, ending with Rnd 1b.

Hat Body

Change to the larger needle.

Continue to work in established pattern, repeating Rnds 1a and 1b, until the Hat measures 8 inches from the cast-on edge, ending with Rnd 1b.

Crown Shaping

When the circumference of the Crown becomes too small for the circular needle, switch to DPNs.

Rnd 1a (dec rnd): *(Brk 1, sl1yo) 3 times, br4st dec, sl1yo, (brk 1, sl1yo) 3 times; rep from * to end [20 sts dec; 70 sts rem].

Rnd 1b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 2a: *Brk 1, sl1yo; rep from * to end.

Rnd 2b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 3a (dec rnd): *(Brk 1, sl1yo) 2 times, br4st dec, sl1yo, (brk 1, sl1yo) 2 times; rep from * to end [20 sts dec; 50 sts rem].

Rnd 3b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4a: *Brk 1, sl1yo; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 5a (dec rnd): *Brk 1, sl1yo, br4st dec, sl1yo, brk1, sl1yo; rep from * to end [20 sts dec; 30 sts rem].

Rnd 5b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 6a: *Brk 1, sl1yo; rep from * to end.

Rnd 6b: *Sl1yo, brp 1; rep from * to end.

Rnd 7 (dec rnd): *Br4st dec, sl1yo; rep from * to end [20 sts dec; 10 sts rem].

Finishing

On this last round, all sts will be converted to standard sts and decreased at the same time.

Note: Brk2tog is not a standard brioche abbreviation.

Next Rnd: Brk2tog; rep from * to end [5 sts dec; 5 sts rem].

Break yarn leaving a 10-inch tail. Using the tapestry needle, weave the tail through the live sts and cinch closed.

Finishing

Weave in ends. Wet block gently. Rock your new hat!

