



# Meathead Hat

*This hat provides just the foundation for a one-of-a-kind embellishment of your choice—be it an intarsia pirate patch, a giant safety pin, a plastic flower, or a crayon holster. The stitches are basic, but they are made with two strands of a slightly shiny yarn that adds just a hint of light and complexity.*

**SIZES** Child (Adult Small/Medium, Large)

**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS** 17 (18<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, 20<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)" circumference. *Note: Hat stretches easily.*

**YARN** Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Bulky (85% wool / 15% mohair; 125 yards / 4 ounces): 1 (2, 2) skeins. Shown in #M162 Mulberry (Child) and #M175 Bronze Patina (Large). Crayon holster designed by Heidi Butler (optional).

**NEEDLES** One pair of straight needles size US 15 (10 mm); one pair of straight needles size US 10 (6 mm) (optional, for Crayon Holster). Change needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

**NOTIONS** One optional embellishment, such as vintage button, big plastic flower, or 3 crayons

**GAUGE** 9 sts and 13 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette stitch (St st) using larger needles and 2 strands of yarn held together

SHAPE HAT

SIZE LARGE ONLY

**Setup Row (RS):** K1, \*k9, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–42 sts rem. Purl 1 row.

SIZES SMALL/MEDIUM AND LARGE

**Next Row (RS):** K1, \*k8, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–38 sts rem. Purl 1 row.

ALL SIZES

Row 1: K1, \*k7, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–34 sts rem.

Row 2 (and all WS Rows): Purl.

Row 3: K1, \*k6, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–30 sts rem.

Row 5: K1, \*k5, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–26 sts rem.

Row 7: K1, \*k4, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–22 sts rem.

Row 9: K1, \*k3, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–18 sts rem.

Row 11: K1, \*k2, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–14 sts rem.

Row 13: K1, \*k1, k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–10 sts rem.

Row 15 and 17: K1, \*k2tog; rep from \* to last st, k1–4 sts rem after Row 17.

Row 19: \*K2tog; rep from \* to end–2 sts rem. Pass first st over last st and off the needle–1 st rem. Cut yarn, leaving a 6" tail. Draw through rem st, pull tight and fasten off.

**FINISHING**

Sew back seam. Weave in ends. Sew on embellishment.

**CRAYON HOLSTER (OPTIONAL)**

Using 1 strand of yarn and smaller needles, CO 10 sts and work in St st for 10 rows, beginning with a knit row. Change to 1x1 Rib. Work even for 4 rows. BO all sts in pattern. Sew CO edge and side edges of Holster to Hat; fill with crayons.

2x2 Rib

(multiple of 4 sts + 2; 1-row repeat)

Row 1 (RS): K2, \*p2, k2; rep from \* to end.

Row 2: Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts as they face you. Repeat Row 2 for 2x2 Rib.

**HAT**

With 2 strands of yarn held together and using larger needles, CO 38 (42, 46) sts. Begin 2x2 Rib. Work even for 6 rows, ending with a WS row.

**Next Row (RS):** Change to St st; work even for 6 (8, 8) rows.

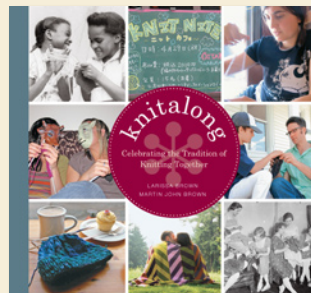
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