



PATTERN COLLECTION

Children



Trailhopper Hat

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DIFFICULTY

Easy

SIZES

Newborn-3 mo (6-12 mo, 12-24 mo)

Shown in Newborn-3 mo. size.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Brim Circumference: 12 (14, 16)"

Stretches to approx. 15 (17, 19)"

Length (excluding Earflaps): 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ (6 $\frac{1}{4}$, 6 $\frac{3}{4}$)"

MATERIALS

[Rico Design Baby Merino Print](#) (100% superwash merino wool; 25g/109 yds)

- 016 Multicolor - 1 (2, 2) ball(s)

**See Pattern Notes.*

Needles: US Size 3 (3.25 mm) set of DPNS (or your preferred needle for knitting small circumferences) *or size needed to obtain gauge*

US Size 2 (2.75 mm) set of DPNS (or your preferred needle for knitting small circumferences)

Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch markers, stitch holder or waste yarn

GAUGE

32 sts x 36 rnds = 4" in Stockinette stitch (St st) using larger ndl

Save time, check your gauge.

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PATTERN NOTES

The best way to ward off the winds on chilly days is by wearing a perfectly adorable hat. Better yet, wear one with earflaps! Warm yet lightweight, this hat is ideal for breezy days. In addition to the earflaps, the Trailhopper hat boasts I-cord ties and a mock-cable ribbing.

This hat is worked in the round from the bottom up. It begins with an I-Cord, then increases create an earflap. After working both ear flaps, stitches are cast-on and joined in the round to create a full brim.

The Newborn-3 months sample weighs 24 grams, taking up almost exactly one ball of yarn. You may wish to purchase a second skein as insurance.

I-Cord

Cast on 3 sts to dpn. * K3, slide sts to other end of ndl and place in left hand; rep from * until desired length is reached.

STITCH GUIDE

Right Twist (RT): K2tog but do not slip st from ndl, knit the first st again, slip both sts from ndl.

Mock Cable Ribbing

(multiple of 4 sts)

Rnds 1-3: * K2, p2; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4: * RT, p2; rep from * to end.

Rep Rnds 1-4 for patt.

HAT

Earflap 1

With smaller ndl, create an I-cord that is approx. 6 (7, 8)" long.

Row 1 (RS): K1, m1R, k1, m1L, k1 – 2 sts inc'd, 5 sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl to end.

Rnd 3: K2, m1R, k1, m1L, k2 – 2 sts inc'd, 7 sts.

Rnd 4: Purl to end.

Rnd 5: K2, m1R, knit to last 2 sts, m1L – 2 sts inc'd, 9 sts.

Rnd 6: Purl to end.

Rnds 7-12: Rep Rnds 5-6, 3 times – 6 sts inc'd, 15 sts.

6-12 Month Size Only:

Rnds 13-16: Rep Rnds 5-6, 2 times – 4 sts inc'd, 19 sts.

12-24 Month Size Only:

Rnds 13-20: Rep Rnds 5-6, 4 times – 8 sts inc'd, 23 sts.

All Sizes:

15 (19, 23) sts.

Work even in St st until Earflap meas 2 (2½, 3)" from Row 1 [(8 (9½, 11)" from end of I-cord]. Place sts on holder or waste yarn. Set aside.

Earflap 2

Work as for Earflap 1.

Brim

Return Earflap 1 sts to ndl.

K15 (19, 23) Earflap sts, using the backwards-loop method, cast on 38 (42, 48) sts for forehead, knit 15 (19, 23) sts from Earflap 2, cast on 28 (32, 34) sts for back of head – 96 (112, 128) sts. PM and join to knit in the rnd, being careful not to twist. *Note:* Use your preferred needle for knitting small circumferences in the round.

Work in Mock Cable ribbing until piece meas 2" from forehead cast-on. Change to larger ndl.

Hat Body

Rnd 1: Knit to end.

Rep Rnd 1 until piece meas 4½ (4¾, 5)" from forehead cast-on.

Shape Crown

Setup Rnd: [K12 (14, 16), pm] 7 times, k12 (14, 16).

Dec Rnd: * K2tog, knit to 2 sts bef m, ssk; rep from * to end – 16 sts dec'd, 80 (96, 112) sts rem.

Even Rnd: Knit to end.

Rep Dec Rnd and Even Rnd 4 more times – 64 sts dec'd, 16 (32, 48) sts rem.

0-3 Month Size Only

Next Rnd: * K2tog, rep from * to end – 8 sts dec'd, 8 sts rem. Break yarn leaving 8" tail. Pass tail through rem live sts, pull taut, fasten off.

6-12 Month Size Only:

Rep Dec Rnd and Even Rnd 1 more time – 16 sts dec'd, 16 sts rem.

Next Rnd: * K2tog, rep from * to end – 8 sts dec'd, 8 sts rem. Break yarn leaving 8" tail. Pass tail through rem live sts, pull taut, fasten off.

12-24 Month Size Only:

Rep Dec Rnd and Even Rnd 2 more times – 32 sts dec'd, 16 sts rem.

Next Rnd: * K2tog, rep from * to end – 8 sts dec'd, 8 sts rem. Break yarn leaving 8" tail. Pass tail through rem live sts, pull taut, fasten off.

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FINISHING

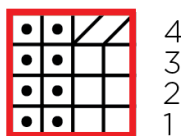
Gently wash and block to finished measurements. Weave in ends. Tie ends of each I-Cord in an over-hand knot approximately 1" above cast-on edge.

Abbreviations

approx	approximately
bef	before
beg	begin(ning)
dec('d)	decrease(d)
dpn(s)	double pointed needle(s)
inc('d)	increase(d)
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together (1 st dec'd)
m	marker
m1L	insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl this st through the back loop (1 st inc'd)
m1R	insert left needle from back to front under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl this st through the front loop (1 st inc'd)
meas	measures
p	purl
patt	pattern
pm	place marker
rem	remain(ing)
rnd	round
RS	right side
ssk	slip next 2 sts individually knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, knit them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)
St st	Stockinette stitch (knit on RS rows, purl on WS rows; in the rnd, knit every rnd)
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side



Mock Cable Ribbing



Key

	pattern repeat
	knit
	purl
	RT

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