



FISHERMAN'S RIB BEANIE

Choose your favorite soft, squishy yarn in DK, worsted, chunky, or super chunky weight yarn and knit a super warm, super stretchy beanie in this deeply textured rib pattern.

- Finished Size:** Approx. 18"/46cm around and 7½"/19cm deep. Fits up to 23"/58cm head.
Directions given for DK with worsted, chunky and super chunky weights in parentheses ().
- Yarn:** Approx. 170 (**127**, 105, **73**) yds/155 (**116**, 96, **67**)m. Choose a yarn that typically knits at a gauge of about 22 (**18–20**, 14, **10**) sts = 4"/10cm. For pom-pom you will need approx. 50 (**28**, 19, **11**) yds/46 (**26**, 17, **10**)m additional yarn.
- Needles & Notions:** US 5 (**7**, 9, **15**)/3.75 (**4.5**, 5.5, **10**)mm 16"/40cm circular and double-point needles, or size to obtain gauge.
7 (**6**, 5, **3**) stitch markers, one in a contrasting color. Blunt darning needle to finish.
Pom-pom maker: 2½"/65mm (optional).
- Gauge:** Approx. 18 (**16**, 13, **8**) sts = 4"/10cm in stitch pattern.
- Glossary:** **Dec** = decrease; **K** = knit; **K1B** = knit 1 below (insert right needle from front to back into center of stitch below stitch on left needle; knit this stitch, allowing stitch on needle to drop off and making sure new stitch has caught both strands); **P** = purl; **PIB** = purl 1 below (insert right needle from back to front into center of stitch below stitch on left needle; purl this stitch, allowing stitch on needle to drop off and making sure new stitch has caught both the stitch on the needle and the one below); **PSSO** = pass slipped stitches over; **SM** = slip marker; **St(s)** = stitch(es); **WYIB** = with yarn in back.
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- Cast on:** Using cable cast-on method, cast on 84 (**72**, 60, **36**) sts. *Note: If you wish to knit a smaller or larger beanie, subtract or add stitches in multiples of 12 so crown shaping resolves correctly.*
Don't join in the round yet.
- Row 1: Working flat, *K1, P1*; repeat between * * to end of row. *Note: You will close first row gap with tail when you weave in ends.*
- Ribbed edging rounds: Place contrast-color marker and join in the round, being careful not to twist. Work 5 (**4**, 4, **2**) rounds in K1/P1 ribbing as established.
- Begin working in Fisherman's Rib as follows:
- Rounds 1: *K1B, P1*; repeat between * * to end of round; slip marker.
- Round 2: *K1, PIB*; repeat between * * to end of round; slip marker.
- Tip: If you pick up your knitting and can't remember which round you were on, look at the stitch below the next stitch on the left needle. If it is a single strand, work into that stitch (that is, K1B or PIB). If it is a double strand, work into the stitch on the needle normally (that is, K1 or P1).*

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Because this stitch can be tricky to fix in case of mistakes, you may wish to run a lifeline through your stitches every few inches: Thread a darning needle with a smooth strong yarn and run it through all stitches on the needle (not the marker). If you make a mistake, you can unravel to this line and slip your needle back into the stitches following the lifeline.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until piece, unstretched, measures approx. 6¾ (6½, 6¼, 6)"/17 (16.5, 16, 15)cm, ending with Fisherman's Rib Round 1. On last round, place 6 (5, 4, 2) additional markers every 12 sts.

Shape crown:

Work shaping rounds as follows, slipping markers as you come to them, and dividing sts onto 3 double-point needles when necessary. *Tip: When working on double-points, let the end of each needle count as a stitch marker:*

Round 1 (dec): *K1, WYIB slip next 2 sts together knitwise, P1B, PSSO; (K1, P1B) 4 times, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

[70 (60, 50, 30) sts; 10 sts between markers]

Round 2 (no dec): *K1B, K1, (K1B, P1) 4 times, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

Round 3 (dec): *K1, K1B, K1; WYIB slip next 2 sts together knitwise, P1B, PSSO; (K1, P1B) 2 times, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

[56 (48, 40, 24) sts; 8 sts between markers]

Round 4 (no dec): *(K1B, K1) 2 times, (K1B, P1) 2 times, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

Round 5 (dec): *WYIB slip next 2 sts together knitwise, K1, PSSO, K1B, K1; WYIB slip next 2 sts together knitwise, P1B, PSSO, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

[28 (24, 20, 12) sts; 4 sts between markers]

Round 6 (dec): *K1, WYIB slip next 2 sts together knitwise, K1, PSSO, SM*; repeat between * * to end of round.

[14 (12, 10, 6) sts; 2 sts between markers]

Cut yarn leaving an 8"/20cm tail. With darning needle, thread tail through remaining 14 (12, 10, 6) sts, removing stitch markers. Draw up tightly. Run yarn through same stitches again for strength and insert needle through center of crown, bringing tail to wrong side.

Finishing:

Weave in ends on wrong side. Gently steam or wet block; allow to dry.

If you like, embellish with a pom-pom made with leftover yarn, or for a splash of color (and if you are short on the beanie yarn) try a different yarn in a different color, or mix them together!