

## Maximum Beret Pattern by Haley Waxberg

This hat is reversible! It is purled to make the most of the hand painted colours and create a bit of texture without effort. Size modelled is Medium, on a small head.

## Materials

1 skein Manos Del Uruguay Maxima, colour M9079 Currant (100g/200m, 100\% extrafine merino wool, single ply, very similar to Malabrigo Merino Worsted) $3.5 \mathrm{~mm}-16^{\prime \prime}$ circular needles
$4.5 \mathrm{~mm}-16$ " circular needles
4.5 mm double pointed needles
darning needle
locking stitch markers

## Gauge

19 sts \& 28 rows $=4$ "/10cm

## Abbreviations

K knit
m1 make 1 stitch (lifted stitch increase): With left needle tip, lift strand between needles from front to back. Purl lifted loop through the back
P purl
P2tog purl 2 sts together
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { rep } & \text { repeat } \\ \text { st/s } & \text { stitch/es }\end{array}$

## Instructions

With smaller circular needles cast on $90(96,102,108)$ sts. Join in the round, be careful not to twist the sts. Place marker at join.
*K1, P1; rep from * to end of round. Repeat this round until piece measures 1 " $/ 2.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ from cast on.

Change to larger circular needles and purl 1 round.
*P3, m1; rep from * to end of rnd. 120(128, 136, 144) sts. Place a locking stitch marker in the first st of the round you just worked. P for 9(10, 11, 12)cm or 3.5(4, $4.5,4.75$ ) inches from the marker you just placed.
*P6, P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. 120(128, 136, 144) sts. Place a locking stitch marker in the first st of the round you just worked. P for 2 cm or 0.75 inches from the marker you just placed.
*P2, P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. 90(96, 102, 108) sts. Place a locking stitch marker in the first st of the round you just worked. P for 2.5(3, 3, 3)cm or 1(1.25, $1.25,1.25$ ) inches from the marker you just placed.
*P1, P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. 60(64, 68, 72) sts. Place a locking stitch marker in the first st of the round you just worked. P for 2.5(3, 3, 3)cm or 1(1.25, $1.25,1.25$ ) inches from the marker you just placed.
*P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. $30(32,34,36)$ sts. Place a locking stitch marker in the first st of the round you just worked. P for 1.5 cm or 0.5 inch from the marker you just placed.
*P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. $15(16,17,18)$ sts.
*P2tog; rep from * to end of rnd. 8(8, 9, 9) sts. Break yarn leaving a 5 inch tail. Using a darning needle pull the tail through the remaining sts. weave in ends.

Block by soaking in cold water with Eucalan, wrap in towel to extract extra water and lay flat to dry.

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