



Men's Metrosexual Toque **by Haley Waxberg**

I was working on a series of Handmaiden Devon's cashmere toques for holiday gifts this year when i ran into a few problems. The colours in one of the skeins was pooling in a funny, not so attractive way. The second consideration was the men who would be wearing it. They have round heads and don't look great in a turned up toque. More importantly, they

are fussy dressers, stylin' boys with residual metrosexual tendencies. Necessity is the mother of invention ... this pattern resolves the pooling problem and fits in with any downtown wardrobe.

Size

- S/M(M/L)
- 21-22(22-23) inch head circumference

Materials

- 1 skein handmaiden 4 ply cashmere
- 3.5mm/16" circular needles
- 3.5mm/29" addi turbo needles or 3.5mm double pointed needles
- 2 stitch markers in 2 colours

Gauge

- 34sts & 36 rows = 4" in k1p1 rib

Abbreviations

K	knit
K2tog	knit 2 sts together
K2tog tbl	knit 2 sts together through back loops
P	purl
pm	place marker
rep	repeat
st/s	stitch/es

Instructions

- Cast on 124(132) sts in long tail cast on. join in the round and place marker at the join.
- *K1, p1; rep from * to end of round. continue for 14(16)cm
- Work 62(66)sts, pm, work in K1P1 rib to next marker.
- *Work in K1P1 rib to 2 sts before marker, k2tog tbl, slip marker to right needle, k1, k2tog; rep from * to end of round. Repeat this row until 28 sts total remain. When necessary change to double pointed needles or addi turbo needles (use magic loop technique with addis).
- Turn work inside out. With a 3rd needle cast off using [3 needle bind off](#). Weave in ends.



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