



Vintage Button Rib Hat

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Size

S(M, L, XL)

Head circumference 21(22, 23, 24)"

Materials

2 skeins Malabrigo Chunky

5mm needles

5.5mm/16" circular needles

5.5mm double pointed needles

1 stitch marker

darning needle

2 buttons

thread that matches buttons & sewing needle

5mm or 5.5mm crochet hook (optional but useful when picking up stitches)

Gauge

2 x 2 ribbing un-stretched, on 5mm needles: 26 sts & 20 rows = 4"/10cm

Stocking Stitch on 5.5mm needles: 4.25 sts & 6 rows = 1 1/2"/2.5cm

Abbreviations

K - Knit, K2tog - Knit 2 sts together, P - Purl, RS - Right side (outside), Sl - Slip, ST/s - Stitch/es, WS - Wrong side

Techniques

[Backwards loop cast on:](#)

Directions

Ribbed Band

With 5mm needles, cast on 32 sts.

R1 (RS): Sl1, *k2, p2; repeat from * until 3 sts remain, k3. Place a marker or safety pin in the slipped stitch (this designates the bottom edge of the band).

R2 (WS): P3, *k2, p2; repeat from * until 3 sts remain, p3. Repeat rows 1 & 2 until piece measures 20.5(20.5, 22.5, 22.5)", ending at the end of a WS row.

Next Row (RS): Sl1, *k2, p2, k2, p2, cast off the next 2 sts (both knit sts), p1; repeat from * one more time, k2, p2, k3.

Next Row (WS): P3, *k2, p2, k2, cast on 2 sts (use a backwards loop cast on), k2, p2; repeat from * one more time, k2, p3.

Work another 4 rows in the established rib pattern (remember to always slip the 1st stitch of the RS row). This is a good time to try on your ribbing to make sure it is large enough. The ends should overlap by 1.5 inches. If you need to adjust the band make sure you move up/down in size for the rest of the pattern.

Cast off loosely.

Crown

Change to 5.5mm circular needles. Lay band in front of you with right facing you and the slipped stitch edge (the one you marked at the start) down. Starting at the upper left edge, pick up and knit 90(90, 99, 99) sts, stopping 1.5" before the end.

Join work, place a marker at the join, and knit in the round for 0.5(1, 1.5, 1.5)".

Decrease Crown

R1: *K7, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 80(80, 88, 88)sts.

R2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14: knit.

R3: *K6, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 70(70, 77, 77)sts.

R5: *K5, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 60(60, 66, 66) sts.

R7: *K4, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 50(50, 55, 55) sts.

R9: *K3, k2tog; k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 40(40, 44, 44) sts.

R11: *K2, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 30(30, 33, 33) sts.

R13: *K1, k2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 20(20, 22, 22) sts.

R15: *K2tog; repeat from * to end of round. 10(10, 11, 11) sts.

Break yarn and with a darning needle thread through remaining sts, fasten off.

Weave in ends. Sew buttons on 3rd & 6th rib from the bottom. Button up!