## ORED HEART

## AN ITALIAN STORY <br> Vera"



TONDO HAT

KNITTING

## WHAT YOU NEED

RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Vera™ $^{\text {T }} 11$ ball each 2312 Nero $\mathbf{A}$ and 2311 Latte B

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Knitting Needles: 5.5 mm [US 9] double pointed needles (set of 5) and 6 mm [US 10] double pointed needles (set of 5).

Pompom maker, stitch marker, yarn needle

GAUGE: 15 sts = about 4" [10 cm ]; 19 rounds = about 4" [10 cm] in Stockinette stitch (knit every round) using larger needles. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

## BUY YARN

RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Vera $^{\text {TM }}$ : Art R181 available in 3.5 oz (100 g) 135 yds ( 123 m ) balls

Designed by Italian Story Design Team

Hat measures about 21" [53.5 cm ] circumference (unstretched) and 10 " [ 25.5 cm ] tall (with lower ribbing folded up).

## Notes

Hat is worked in rounds from the lower edge upwards.
Double pointed needles are used. If desired, a single circular needle and the Magic Loop technique or two circular needles can be used instead.

## Special Stitch

ssk (slip, slip, knit) = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time, as if to knit to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of stitches, knit these sts together through back loop - 1 st decreased.

## HAT

With smaller needles and $\mathbf{A}$, cast on 80 sts.
Divide sts evenly onto double pointed needles (20 sts on each of 4 needles). Place a marker for beginning of round. Taking care not to twist sts, prepare to work in rounds.
Lower Ribbing
Rounds 1-21: *K2, p2; repeat from * to end of round

Change to larger needles and $\mathbf{B}$.
Rounds 22-52: *K18, p2; repeat from * to end of round

## Shape Top of Hat

Round 1: *Ssk, k14, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-72 sts.
Round 2: Purl.
Round 3: *Ssk, k12, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-64 sts.
Round 4: Purl.
Round 5: *Ssk, k1O, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-56
sts.
Round 6: Purl.
Round 7: *Ssk, k8, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-48 sts.
Round 8: Purl.
Round 9: *Ssk, k6, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-40 sts.

Round 10: Purl.
Round 11: *Ssk, k4, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-32 sts.
Round 12: Purl.
Round 13: *Ssk, k2, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-24 sts.
Round 14: Purl.
Round 15: *Ssk, k2tog, p2; repeat from * to end of round-16 sts.
Round 16: Purl.
Round 17: *K2tog, p2tog; repeat from * to end of round-8 sts Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread yarn tail through remaining 8 sts, pull tail to close opening at top of hat. Secure tail.

## FINISHING

With $\mathbf{A}$ and following pompom maker instructions, make a 3" [7.5 cm] pompom and attach to top of hat

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

$\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}=$ Color $\mathbf{A}$ and Color $\mathbf{B} ; \mathbf{k}=k n i t ; \mathbf{k} \mathbf{2 t o g}=k n i t$ next 2 sts together; $\mathbf{p}=$ purl; $\mathbf{p} 2$ tog $=$ purl next 2 sts together; $\mathbf{s t}(\mathbf{s})=$ stitch(es); * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated

