





KNIT SKILL LEVEL **EASY**

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Baby Hugs™ Medium: 1 ball 4258 Peachie

Susan Bates[®] Circular Knitting Needles: 5.0 mm [US 8], 16" [40 cm] long Susan Bates[®] Double-Pointed

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Stitch marker, stitch holder, yarn needle

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 26 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Garter Stitch (knit every row). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needle to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Baby Hugs™ Medium, Art E404 Oeko-Tex Certified

100% Acrylic baby yarn available in 4.5 oz (127 g) 247 yds (225 m)





Get right to the point and make this darling hat for a sweet baby or child. It only takes one ball of this highest quality easy-care yarn. Directions are for a baby, toddler size is in parenthesis.

Finished circumference: 16 (17¾") [41 (45) cm]

NOTES

Hat is worked in the round, change to double-pointed needles when there are not enough stitches to easily work on circular needles.

SPECIAL STITCHES

K2tog = Knit 2 stitches together. Insert the right needle into two stitches at the same time and knit. This will result in a decrease of one stitch. This decrease will slant to the right.

M1 = Make 1 (Increase). Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and knit strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole.

PATTERN STITCH K2. P2 Rib

Row 1: K2, P2.

Row 2: Knit the k sts, purl the p sts Repeat rows 1-2.

EARFLAPS (Make 2)

Using double-pointed needles, cast on 6 sts.

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Purl across row.

Row 2: (Right Side): K2, m1, k2, m1, k2—8

Row 3: P2, k1, p2, k1, p2.

Row 4: K2, p1, m1, k2, m1, p1, k2—10 sts

Row 5: P2, k2, p2, k2, p2.

Row 6: K2, p2, k2, p2, k2.

Rows 7-8: Repeat Rows 5-6.

Row 9: Repeat Row 5.

Cut yarn and place first Earflap (10 sts) on a stitch holder and set aside.

Make Second Earflap as for First Earflap. After Row 9, place second Earflap on circular needles.

HAT

With Right Side facing and using circular needles, work across second Earflap as follows: K2, p2, k2, p2, k2. Cast on 38 (42) sts (front of hat), then work across the Right Side of first Earflap as follows: K2, p2, k2, p2, k2. Cast on 14 (18) sts (back of hat)—72 (80) sts.

Join being careful not to twist sts and place marker for beginning of round.

Next Rounds: Work in K2, P2 Ribbing for 1½" [4 cm].

Next Rounds: Knit every round until hat measures 2½, 3" [6 (8) cm] from cast on edge.

SHAPE CROWN

As stitch count decreases, change to double-pointed needles.

Round 1: (decrease) *K2tog, k16 (18)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—68 (76) sts.

Round 2: Knit.

Round 3: (decrease) *K2tog, k15 (17)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—64 (72) sts.

Round 4: Knit.

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SHOP KIT



Round 5: (decrease) *K2tog, k14 (16)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—60 (68)

Round 6: Knit.

Round 7: (decrease) *K2tog, k13 (15)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—56 (64) sts.

Round 8: Knit.

Round 9: (decrease) *K2tog, k12 (14)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—52 (60) sts.

Round 10: Knit.

Round 11: (decrease) *K2tog, k11 (13)*; repeat from * to * around 4 times—48 (56) sts.

Round 12: Knit.

Continue working in this manner, working one less knit stitch between each decrease round until there are 4 sts left on needles. Cut yarn leaving an 18" [46 cm] tail. Thread end of tail through yarn needle and pull through remaining 4 sts twice, draw up firmly; fasten securely.

TIES (Make 2)

Cut 6 - 36" [91 cm] long stands of yarn. Thread 3 strands of yarn through the bottom of each Earflap, even up ends. Tightly braid the 6 stands together, starting at bottom of Earflap. When braid measures 9" [25 cm] long, knot ends leaving a 1" [2.5 cm] tassel, trim ends even.

FINISHING

Using yarn needle, weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

K = knit; **mm** = millimeters; **P** = Purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **St st** = Stockinette stitch; **K2tog** = Knit 2 Together, [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.