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# Baby Hat & Booties

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Hat directions are for size 0-6 months; changes for sizes 6-12 months, 1-2 years and 2-4 years are in parentheses. Bootie directions are for size 0-3 months; changes for 3-6 months and 6-9 months are in parentheses.

**RED HEART® "Super Saver®":** 1 Skein each in 316 Soft White **A**, 321 Gold **B**, 282 Country Blue **C**, and 380 Windsor Blue **D**. Circular Knitting Needle: 4.5mm [US 7] – 16". Straight Knitting Needles: 4.5mm [US 7]. Double Pointed Needles: 4.5mm [US 7]. Crochet Hook: 4mm [US G-6].

Stitch marker; yarn needle; pom-pom maker; scissors; ruler or tape measure.

GAUGE: 20 sts = 4" in St st. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

Finished Hat Circumference: 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (14<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>, 16, 17<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>)".

#### HAT

With circular needle and **C**, cast on 64 (72, 80, 88) sts. Place a stitch marker and join, making sure the sts aren't twisted. Knit every round for  $1^{1/2}$ ". Now work in pattern as follows:

Rnd 1: With A, \* K1, P1; repeat from \* around. Rnd 2: \* P1, K1; repeat from \* around. Rnds 3 and 4: Repeat Rnds 1 and 2. Rnds 5-11: Knit 6 rnds with D. Rnd 12: Purl with B. Rnd 13: Knit with B. Rnds 14 and 15: Repeat Rnds 12 and 13. Rnds 16 and 17: Knit with C. Rnds 22 and 23: Knit with D. Rnds 24 and 25: Knit with C. Repeat Rnds 22-25 for Stripe Pattern until the hat measures 5 (5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, 6, 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)" from the beginning, end by working Rnd 24 (one rnd with C).

Shape Crown: Keeping continuity of Stripe Pattern, work as follows: Rnd 1: [K6, K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 56 (63, 70, 77) sts. Rnd 2: [K5, K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 48 (54, 60, 66) sts. Rnd 3: Knit. Rnd 4: Change to the double-pointed needles and knit directly onto three of them as follows: **Needle 1:** [K4, K2tog] 3 (3, 3, 4) times – 15 (15, 15, 20) sts; **Needle 2:** [K4, K2tog] 3 (3, 3, 4) times – 15 (15, 15, 20) sts; Needle 3: [K4, K2tog] 2 (3, 4, 3) times – 10 (15, 20, 15) sts -- 40 (45, 50, 55) total sts. The fourth needle is now the working needle. Rnd 5: [K3, K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 32 (36, 40, 44) sts. The next rounds create the point on top of the hat. Rnds 6-10: Knit. Rnd 11: [K2, K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 24 (27, 30, 33) sts. Cut C and change Stripe Pattern to alternating 2 rnds B with 2 rnds D. Rnds 12-16: Knit. Rnd 17: [K1, K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 16 (18, 20, 22) sts.

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Rnds 18-22: Knit. Rnd 23: [K2tog] 8 (9, 10, 11) times – 8 (9, 10, 11) sts. Cut D and continue with B only. Rnds 24-28: With B Knit.

**Rnd 29:** [K2tog] 4 (4, 5, 5) times, K0 (1, 0, 1) - 4 (5, 5, 6) sts. Break yarn leaving a long tail. Thread the yarn needle with this tail and weave through remaining sts; draw up firmly; fasten securely. Bring remaining tail to the wrong side. Weave in all ends.

**FINISHING-Embroidery:** In the Rnds 5-11 (**D** section), start with **A**: holding the yarn on the wrong side of the fabric and the crochet hook on the right side, work a chain stitch through the fabric in a wave pattern. Take a long length of **A**, thread into a yarn needle, and tightly wrap the chain stitch. Repeat with **B**, creating opposite waves as pictured; then wrap with **B**.

**Tassel:** Make a 1" tassel holding strands of **A** and **C** together. Sew it to the top of the hat and take several stitches through the tassel to make it stand straight up.

#### BOOTIES

**Note:** Each bootie is made from one square.

Stripe Pattern: 2 rows A, 2 rows C, 2 rows B, 2 rows D.

With straight needles and **A** cast on 18 (20, 22) sts. Work in Garter st (Knit every row) and Stripe Pattern for  $3^{1/2}$  (4, 5)". Do not bind off. Cut the working yarn, leaving an 18" tail, and thread into a yarn needle. Pull the yarn through the sts on the knitting needle, remove the knitting needle from the work, and pull up tight to form the toe; fasten securely; sew row ends together for  $1^{1/2}$  (2, 3)" down from the toe. Fasten off. Fold cast-on edge in half at heel and sew the back seam. Make a 1" pom pom with **B** and attach at end of instep seam.



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ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C, D = color A, B, C, D; K = knit; mm = millimeters; P = purl; rnd = round; St st = Stockinette stitch (Knit every round.); st(s) = stitch(es); tog = together; \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.