





KNIT SKILL LEVEL **EASY** 

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Boutique Infinity™:** 1 ball 9351 Almond

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles: 8mm [US 11] 16" (40 cm) circular and set of 8mm [US 11] double pointed needles

Ring marker (for beginning of round), removable stitch markers (for earflap placement), yarn needle

GAUGE: 12 sts = 4" (10 cm); 16 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Boutique Infinity™, Art E828 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 129 yds (118 m) balls



# **Teddy Love Hat**

Softly shaded ombré-effect yarn with a bit of wool and subtle metallic is the ideal choice for this funloving hat. Small teddy bear ears and elongated ear flaps give this hat appeal and give it the essence of style.

Directions are for size Small/Medium. Changes for size Large/X-Large are in parentheses.

**Finished Circumference:** 18½ (21½)" (47 (54.5) cm).

**Note:** Hat will stretch to fit a range of sizes.

#### **Notes**

- Hat is knit, in rounds on circular needles, from the lower edge upwards.
   Removable markers are placed in cast-on row to indicate where earflaps will be worked later.
- 2. Stitches are picked up between markers to begin each earflap. Earflaps are worked back and forth in rows down to the lower point. An I-cord tie is worked beginning over the last 3 stitches of each earflap.
- 3. Teddy bear ears are made separately and sewn to hat.

## **HAT**

With circular needle, cast on 56 (64) sts. Place a marker for beginning of round. Taking care not to twist stitches, prepare to work in rounds.

Place markers for Earflaps

**Size Small/Medium Only:** Place a removable stitch marker in the 5th, 18th, 39th, and 52nd stitch.

**Size Large/X-Large Only:** Place a removable stitch marker in the 6th, 21st, 44th, and 59th stitch.

Begin Hat (Both Sizes)
Round 1 (right side): Purl.

Round 2: Knit.

Round 3: Purl.

Rounds 4–8: Knit.
Rounds 9–11: Purl.

**Rounds 12–35:** Repeat Rounds 4–11 three more times.

## **Shape Crown**

Change to double pointed needles when stitches will no longer fit comfortably on circular needle.

**Round 1 (decrease round):** \*K6, k2tog; repeat from \* around—49 (56) sts.

Round 2: Knit.

**Round 3 (decrease round):** \*K5, k2tog; repeat from \* around—42 (48) sts.

Round 4: Knit.

**Round 5 (decrease round):** \*K4, k2tog; repeat from \* around—35 (40) sts.

Rounds 6-8: Purl.

**Round 9 (decrease round):** \*K3, k2tog; repeat from \* around—28 (32) sts.

Round 10: Knit.

**Round 11 (decrease round):** \*K2, k2tog; repeat from \* around—21 (24) sts.

Round 12: Knit.

**Round 13 (decrease round):** K1 (0), \*k2tog; repeat from \* around—11 (12) sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30.5 cm) tail. Thread tail through remaining 11 (12) sts and pull to close opening at top of hat. Weave in tail securely on wrong side.

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**SHOP KIT** 



#### **FIRST EARFLAP**

With right side facing and circular needle, pick up and k14 (16) sts between first and 2nd earflap markers. Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles.

Row 1 (wrong side): Knit.

**Row 2:** K1, k2tog, [k3 (4), k2tog] twice, k1—11 (13) sts.

Rows 3-23: Knit.

## **Shape Flap**

**Row 1:** K1, [k2tog, k1] 3 (4) times, k1 (0)—8 (9) sts.

Row 2: Knit.

**Row 3:** [K1, k2tog] 2 (3) times, k2 (0)—6 sts.

Row 4: Knit.

**Row 5:** [K2tog] 3 times—3 sts.

### **I-Cord Tie**

With 2 double-pointed needles and working over the remaining 3 sts, \*knit all the sts, do not turn work. Slide all the stitches to opposite end of needle. Carry yarn tightly across back of work, and knit all the stitches; repeat from \* a total of 50 I-cord rows. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining 3 sts and pull to gather end. Weave in tail securely.

#### **SECOND EARFLAP**

With right side facing and circular needle, pick up and k14 (16) sts between 3rd and 4th earflap markers. Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles. Make same as first earflap.

#### **TEDDY BEAR EARS (make 2)**

With circular needle, cast on 21 sts. Work back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles.

Rows 1-3: Knit.

**Row 4:** \*K1, k2tog; repeat from \* to end of row—14 sts.

Row 5: Knit.

**Row 6:** \*K2tog; repeat from \* to end of row—7 sts.

Row 7: Knit.

Cut yarn, leaving a 16" (40.5 cm) tail. Thread tail through remaining 7 sts and pull to gather. Sew center seam to form circle shaped ears.

## **FINISHING**

Sew ears to hat, placing them diagonally between Rounds 28 and 32. Weave in ends.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

