

RED HEART KIDS KNIT PANDA HAT

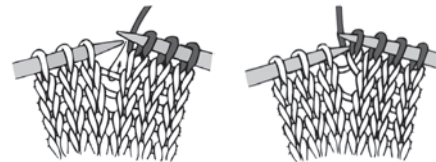


KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

**ABBREVIATIONS**

**Alt** = Alternate  
**Cont** = Continue  
**K** = Knit  
**K2tog** = Knit next 2 stitches together  
**M1** = Make 1 stitch by picking up horizontal loop lying before next stitch and knitting into back of loop

**P** = Purl  
**Rem** = Remain(ing)  
**Rep** = Repeat  
**Rnd(s)** = Round(s)  
**RS** = Right side  
**SI3P** = Slip next 3 stitches purlwise one at a time  
**Ssk** = Slip next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together  
**St(s)** = Stitch(es)  
**Tog** = Together  
**WS** = Wrong side



**SIZES**

To fit child **2/4** yrs (**6/8**) yrs.

**GAUGE**

18 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking stitch.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

*The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus ( ).*

*Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.*

**Note:** When working from chart, wind small balls of the colors to be used, one for each separate area of color in the design. To change colors, wind the 2 colors around each where they meet, on WS, to avoid a hole.

**MATERIALS**

**Red Heart® Heat Wave™** (3.5 oz/100 g; 198 yds/181 m)

Sizes	2/4	6/8	yrs
<b>Main Color (MC)</b> Sandy Shores (0110)	1	1	ball
<b>Contrast A</b> Summer Night (0212)	1	1	ball

Set of 4 size U.S. 8 (5 mm) double-pointed knitting needles. Size U.S. 8 (5 mm) knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.** 2 spare needles. Stitch marker.

## Earflaps (make 2)

**I-cord:** With A and pair of double-pointed needles, cast on 5 sts. K5. **Do not** turn. \*Slide sts to other end of needle. K5. Rep from \* until cord measures 6" [15 cm]. **Do not** cast off.

**Shape Earflap: 1st row:** (RS). K2. M1. K1. M1. K2. 7 sts.

**2nd and alt rows:** Sl3P. Purl to end of row.

**3rd row:** Sl3P. M1. K1. M1. K3. 9 sts.

**5th row:** Sl3P. M1. K3. M1. K3. 11 sts.

**7th row:** Sl3P. M1. Knit to last 3 sts. M1. K3. 13 sts.

**8th row:** Sl3P. Purl to end of row. Rep last 2 rows to **19 (21)** sts.

**Next row:** (RS). Sl3P. Knit to end of row.

**Next row:** Sl3P. Purl to end of row. Rep last 2 rows until Earflap measures **2½ (3)" [6.5 (7.5) cm]**, ending on a WS row. Break yarn. Slip all sts to spare needle.

## HAT

With MC and pair of needles, cast on **74 (82)** sts.

**1st row:** (RS). K1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. K1.

**2nd row:** P1. \*K2. P2. Rep from \* to last st. P1. Rep last 2 rows 3 times more.

**Join Earflaps: Next row:** (RS). With MC, K5. Align spare needle with first Earflap behind Hat sts. (K2tog, knitting next st of Hat tog with first st of Earflap) **19 (21)** times. K**26 (30)**. Align spare needle with 2nd Earflap behind Hat sts. (K2tog, knitting next st of Hat tog with first st of Earflap) **19 (21)** times. K5. **74 (82)** sts.

**Next row:** (WS). Purl.

**Next row:** Knit Rep last 2 rows once more.

**Place Chart: Next row:** (RS). With MC, K**22 (26)**. Knit 1st row of Chart. Knit to end of row.

**Next row:** (WS). P**22 (26)**. Purl 2nd row of Chart. Purl to end of row. Cont as established until end of Chart, noting reading RS rows from **right to left** and WS rows from **left to right**. Break A. Chart is shown on page 3.

**Shape Top: 1st row:** (RS). With MC, K1. \*K2tog. K**14 (16)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **66 (74)** sts.

**2nd and alt rows:** Purl.

**3rd row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**12 (14)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **58 (66)** sts.

**5th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**10 (12)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **50 (58)** sts.

**7th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**8 (10)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **42 (50)** sts.

**9th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**6 (8)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **34 (42)** sts.

**11th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**4 (6)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **26 (34)** sts.

**13th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K**2 (4)**. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. **18 (26)** sts.

**Size 6/8 only: 14th row:** Purl.

**15th row:** K1. \*K2tog. K2. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. 18 sts.

**Both sizes: Next row:** K1. \*K2tog. ssk. Rep from \* to last st. K1. 10 sts.

Break yarn leaving a long end. Draw end through rem sts and fasten securely.

Sew center back seam.

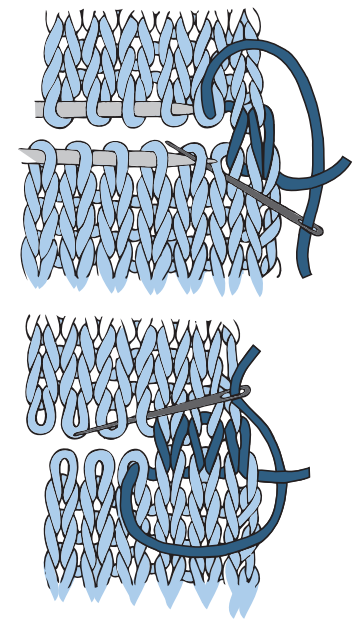
## Ears (make 2).

With A, and set of 4 double-pointed needles, cast on **16 (18)** sts. Divide sts onto 3 needles. Join for working in rnd, placing marker at first st. Knit in rnds for 1¼" [3 cm].

**Shape Top: 1st rnd:** \*ssk. K**4 (5)**. K2tog. Rep from \* around. 12 sts.

**2nd rnd:** \*ssk. K**2 (3)**. K2tog. Rep from \* around. **8 (10)** sts.

Graft 2 sets of **4 (5)** sts tog.



Sew Ears to top of Hat as seen in picture.

