



KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
BEGINNER

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All About the Hat

Knitting this hat means that it has extra comfort stretch and softness. This striped style is the perfect gift for a guy or gal!

Hat measures about 20" (51 cm) circumference, unstretched. Hat will stretch to fit 21–22" (53.5–56 cm) head

Notes

1. Hat is worked back and forth in rows beginning at lower edge. The side edges are sewn together for back seam.
2. Stripes are worked in the following color sequence: Work first row with **A**, 4 rows with **B**, 2 rows with **A**, 4 rows with **B**, work remainder of hat with **A** only. Do not cut yarn until instructed. Carry color not in use up side of piece.

HAT

With **A**, cast on 55 sts.

Row 1 (wrong side): Knit all sts.

Change to **B**.

Rows 2, 3, 4 and 5: Knit all sts.

Change to **A**.

Rows 6 and 7: Knit all sts.

Change to **B**.

Rows 8–11: Repeat Rows 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Cut **B**.

Work remainder of hat with **A** only.

Knit every row until piece measures 5" (12.5 cm) from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

Shape Crown (top of hat)

Decrease Row 1 (right side): [K9, k2tog] 5 times—50 sts.

Next Row and all WS rows: Knit all sts.

Decrease Row 2: [K8, k2tog] 5 times—45 sts.

Decrease Row 3: [K7, k2tog] 5 times—40 sts.

Decrease Row 4: [K6, k2tog] 5 times—35 sts.

Decrease Row 5: [K5, k2tog] 5 times—30 sts.

Decrease Row 6: [K4, k2tog] 5 times—25 sts.

Decrease Row 7: [K3, k2tog] 5 times—20 sts.

Decrease Row 8: [K2, k2tog] 5 times—15 sts.

Decrease Row 9: [K1, k2tog] 5 times—10 sts.

Decrease Row 10: [K2tog] 5 times—5 sts.

Cut **A**, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining stitches and remove stitches from needle. Pull to gather. Sew side edges together for back seam.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, and **B** = Color A, and Color B; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

What you will need:

RED HEART® Heads Up™: 1 ball each of 872 Royal A and 262 Tangelo B

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles: 6.5mm [US 10.5]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: 11 sts = 4" (10 cm); 26 rows = 4" (20 cm) in Garter st (knit every row). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



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