

## 7/Fire and Ice Slouchies

KNIT I SKILL LEVEL: EASY

## ABBREVIATIONS

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Alt = Alternate
Beg \(=\) Begin(ning)
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$\mathbf{K}=$ Knit
$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{2 t o g}=$ Knit next 2 stitches
together
$\mathbf{P}=$ Purl
PM = Place marker
Rem = Remaining

## SIZES

To fit average Woman's (Man's) head.

## GAUGE

26 sts and 34 rows $=4^{\prime \prime}[10 \mathrm{~cm}$ ] with larger needles in stocking st.

## INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallersize.Ifchanges arenecessary for larger size 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 both sizes.

With smaller circular needle, cast on 128 (136) sts. Join in rnd. PM on first st.

Rnd(s) $=$ Round(s)
Rep = Repeat
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)

1st rnd: *K2. P2. Rep from * around.
Rep this rnd of (K2. P2) ribbing for 4" [10 cm].

Change to larger circular needle and knit in rnds until work from beg measures 11" [28 cm].

Note: Change to set of 4 double-pointed needles where appropriate.

## Shape Crown

1st rnd: *K2tog. K28 (30). ssk. Rep from * around. 120 (128) sts.
2nd and alt rnds: Knit.
3rd rnd: *K2tog. K26 (28). ssk. Rep from * around. 112 (120) sts.
5th rnd: *K2tog. K24 (26). ssk. Rep from * around. 104 (112) sts.

## MATERIALS

Sugar Bush ${ }^{\oplus}$ Itty-Bitty ${ }^{\text {Tm }}$ ( 1.75 oz/50 g; 153 yds/140 m)
Rustic Grays (5016) 2 balls
Sizes U.S. 3 (3.25 mm) and U.S. 5 ( 3.75 mm ) circular knitting needles 16 " $(40 \mathrm{~cm})$ long. Set of four size U.S. $5(3.75 \mathrm{~mm})$ double-pointed knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge. Stitch marker.

7th rnd: *K2tog. K22 (24). ssk. Rep from * around.
9th rnd: *K2tog. K20 (22). ssk. Rep from * around.
11th rnd: *K2tog. K18 (20). ssk.
Rep from * around.
13th rnd: *K2tog. K16 (18). ssk.
Rep from * around.
14th rnd: As 2nd rnd.
Cont shaping every rnd as follows: 15th rnd: *K2tog. K14 (16). ssk.
Rep from * around.
16th rnd: *K2tog. K12 (14). ssk.
Rep from * around.
17th rnd: *K2tog. K10 (12). ssk.
Rep from * around.
18th rnd: *K2tog. K8 (10). ssk. Rep from * around.
19th rnd: *K2tog. K6 (8). ssk. Rep from * around.
20th rnd: *K2tog. K4 (6). ssk. Rep from * around.
21st rnd: *K2tog. K2 (4). ssk. Rep from * around. 16 (24) sts.

Man's size only: 22nd rnd: *K2tog. K2. ssk. Rep from * around. 16 sts.

Both Sizes: Break yarn. Thread end through rem sts. Draw up tightly and fasten securely.

