

Chunky Knit Pussy Hat

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Our super chunky contribution to the Pussy Hat Project! This design is a simple knit panel that is seamed at the end.

Materials + Notions

- 1 x 50-yard bump of ReLove Merino in Tea Rose
- US 50 (25mm) straight knitting needles

Abbreviations

- CO: cast on
- sts: stitches
- BO: bind off

STEP I

- CO 8 sts. Leave ~ 20" tail to seam the edges.
- Knit for 15 rows. Remember to knit consistently and try to keep edges as pretty as possible.
- BO



STEP II

- Now you will work on seaming the hat. You're going to seam the CO and BO rows together and then the side so that you end up with only one side open.
- Holding the CO and BO rows next to each other, use your fingers and the tail of yarn to sew a seam down the side. You can use a mattress stitch or any method you like, just make sure it's as invisible as possible, the sides match up evenly and try to maintain the vertical appearance of the garter stitch. Once you reach the corner, continue to seam the top of your hat so that only the bottom is open.
- Turn the hat inside out and push out corners so that they have visible points for the ears.

STEP III

- Now to focus on cinching the ears. Cut 2 pieces of yarn 15" long each. Tie one end onto one edge of your hat about 3 rows down with the ears facing up.
- Using your fingers, take the yarn and weave it through both the front and back sides of the hat at a diagonal angle ending at the top edge of the hat in the middle stitch.
- Before tying off, pull on the yarn to cinch creating the definition of an ear.
- Repeat on the other side. Make sure your angle, starting and ending points make the ears as symmetrical as possible.
- Ends can be most easily disguised and held into place using a felting needle or by tucking them into the ears.

