

A supremely warm plaid-patterned toque for the coldest of Canadian winters. This hat is knit in bulky-weight yarn with a folded brim and stranded colourwork top. The pattern includes optional instructions to seam together the folded brim.

Yarn: Sandnes Garn Fritidsgarn (100% Norwegian Wool;

77 yds per 50g)

Brim: 3021 Light Beige (1)

C1: 4219 Red (1)

C2: 4363 Dark Red Heather (1)

C3: 1099 Black (1)

Needles: 5.0mm/US9 40cm/16" circular;

6.0mm/US10 40cm/16" circular AND set of 4

double pointed needles

**Gauge:** 16sts = 4"/10cm in colourwork pattern

Other tools: stitch markers, darning needle

## BRIM

CO 80sts on smaller circular needle. Join in the round, place marker at the beginning of round.

(K2, P2) around for 6".

Begin working with larger circular needles.

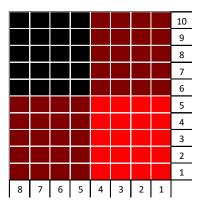
#### **Optional Brim Seaming**

Fold the work inside of itself so that the cast on edge runs along the inside of the live stitches.

\*With left needle, pick up cast on stitch that corresponds to the first live stitch on the needle. Knit the live and cast on stitch together. Repeat from \* to end of round, seaming closed the folded brim.

## PLAID

Work chart shown below. The chart repeats 10 times around the hat, and is worked bottom to top twice (for a total of 20 rounds). To avoid extra ends, do not break yarn when colours change; allow the third colour to float behind the five rows until it is used again.



#### **Abbreviations:**

K – knit

P – purl

K2tog – knit 2 together

SSK – slip 2 sts knitwise, insert left needle into the front of both slipped sts, K2tog through back of loop

rep – repeat

rnd(s) - round(s)

CO - cast on

St(s) - stitch(es)

pm - place marker

sm – slip marker

# Top

Maintain established colour pattern through the decreases. When working a K2tog, use the colour of the left-most stitch. When working an SSK, use the colour of the stitch on the right

Switch to double pointed needles when needed

Set Up Round: \*work 20sts, pm, rep from \* to end of round

Decreasing Rnd: \*K2tog, work to 2 sts before marker, SSK, sm, rep from \* to end of round. (8sts decreased).

Repeat Decreasing Rnd eight more times, remembering to swap colours every 5 rounds, finishing with 8 sts.

Break yarns, draw C2 through remaining sts and pull tight. Weave in all ends and wet block.