

Pinecone Hat

Hat size: small, 16" around, (medium, 18" around)

Gauge: 16 stitches over 4 inches before blocking in blackberry pattern

Needles: 16" circular, US13, **or size needed to obtain gauge**, and a set of double points, US13

Please note: directions for the small are first, with directions for medium following in parentheses.

Stitch Patterns:

Blackberry or Trinity stitch (worked in the round over a multiple of 4 stitches)

Row 1: purl all stitches

Row 2: *[purl 1, knit 1, purl 1] in the same stitch, knit three together, repeat from * around

Row 3: purl all stitches

Row 4: *knit three together, [purl 1, knit 1, purl 1] in the same stitch, repeat from * around

Ribbing (worked in the round over a multiple of 4 stitches)

Row 1: *Knit 2 stitches, purl 2 stitches, repeat from * around

Hat Instructions:

Cast on 40 (44) stitches and work in ribbing for 1 ¼ inches, or desired length. Place marker at beginning of row.

Increase row: increase 20 (24) stitches evenly across row. 60 (68) stitches total.

Begin blackberry stitch, and continue until hat measures approximately 6.5 (7) inches from cast on.

Decreases (switch to double point needles when needed):

Row 1: *purl1, purl 2 together, repeat from * to last 3 (5) stitches. Purl 1, purl 2 together (purl 1 purl 2 together, purl 2). 40 (44) stitches.

Row 2: *[purl 1, knit 1, purl 1] in the same stitch, knit three together, repeat from * around

Row 3: purl 2 together around. 20 (22) stitches.

Row 4: *[purl 1, knit 1, purl 1] in the same stitch, knit three together, repeat from * until 0 (2) stitches remain, purl (0) 2.

Row 5: purl 2 together around. 10 (12) stitches.

Cut 8 inch tail and draw through all stitches on needle. Pull tight and weave in ends.

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