The Rubies and Diamonds Hat

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Knitting Needle Size: 10 or 6 mm, Circular Knitting Needles, Double-Pointed Knitting Needles (DPNs)

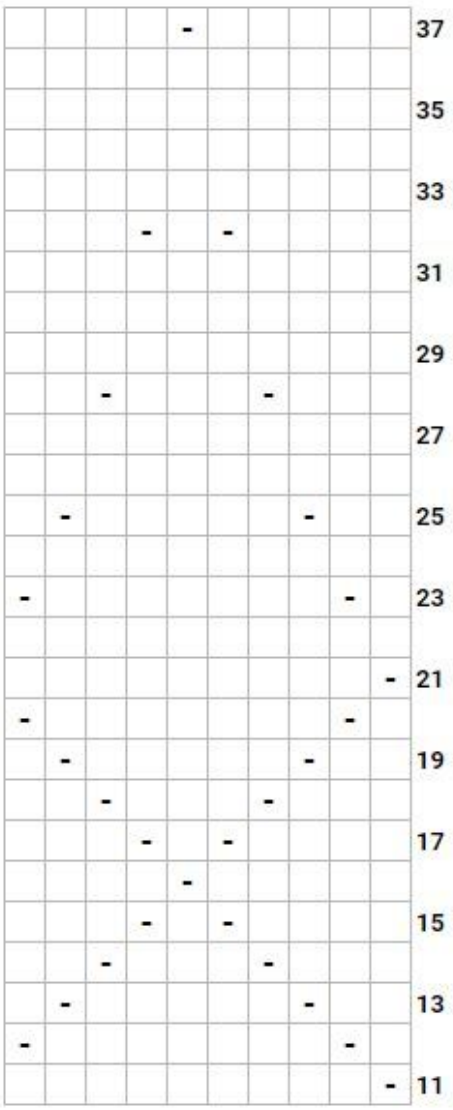
Yarn Weight: (5) Bulky/Chunky

Materials

- US 10 Circular Knitting Needles
- Double-Pointed Knitting Needles (DPNs)
- Bulky yarn (5) | Loops & Threads Woolike Chunky Yarn

Pattern

CO 60 sts + 1 for the **invisible join**
Rnds 1-7: (K2, p2), repeat ( ) all the way round
Rnds 8-10: K all sts
Rnds 11-37: Follow the pattern in the chart.



Shaping:
Move sts onto 4 DPNs evenly (15 sts per needle)
Rnd 38: (K4, cdd, k3), repeat ( ) to end of rnd
Note: See below for how to work a "cdd" or centered double decrease.
Rnds 39 and 40: K all sts
Rnd 41: (K3, cdd, k2), repeat ( ) to end of rnd
Rnds 42 and 43: K all sts
Rnd 44: (K2, cdd, k1), repeat ( ) to end of rnd
Rnd 45: K all sts
Note: At this point, you should notice that the columns of centered double decreasing line up with the peaks of the purl motif.
Rnd 46: (K1, cdd), repeat ( ) to end of rnd
Note: You might have to move stitches between DPNs in order to more easily complete the decreases.
Rnd 47: You should have a total of 8 sts across all of your DPNs. Cut a tail of yarn and thread it through these stitches to finish your hat. Pull the tail tightly and weave into the wrong side of the hat.

How to Work a Centered Double Decrease:

1. Slip two stitches together knitwise
2. Knit 1
3. Pass both of the slipped stitches over the knitted stitch