

Purple Haze Knit Hat

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Whether you're just learning how to cable or have been cabling since before you can remember, the Purple Haze Knit Hat is a nice, easy cabled hat pattern that will suit any person, man or woman, in the impending frost. The gorgeous Malabrigo Merino Worsted Yarns tonal colorway is matched only by its softness. The cables in this easy knit hat pattern make it run a bit tight for a snug, ear-warming fit, but the knit beanie pattern can be knit with an extra cable repeat for a larger size or looser fit. These hats also make great, fast Christmas gifts for your loved ones.

Note: For larger sizes, cast on additional sts in multiples of 12 and follow instructions as given with extra repeats.



Gauge: About 18 sts per 4" (10 cm) in 2x2 rib stitch

Finished Size: 11.5" (29 cm) tall, 5.5" (14 cm) wide, 4.5" (11.4 cm) in diameter, unstretched. Fits medium-sized woman's head snugly.

Materials Needed:

Knitting Needle Size: 7 or 4.5 mm, Circular Knitting Needles, Double-Pointed Knitting Needles (DPNs)

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

1 skein Malabrigo Merino Worsted Yarn in Purple Magic

1 Lion Brand PomPom (optional)

1 stitch marker

1 tapestry needle

Abbreviations Used:

k - knit

p - purl

CO - cast on

st(s) - stitch(es)

kfb - knit into the front and back loop of stitch, slip off needle. 1 st increased.

c6b - slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and hold in back of work. K next 3 sts, then k3 from cable needle.

c6f - slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and hold in front of work. K next 3 sts, then k3 from cable needle.

k2tog - knit next 2 sts together

KKPP - k the k sts and p the p sts

rep - repeat(s)

Purple Haze Hat Pattern:

BRIM

CO 81 sts longtail, join in round by knitting first and last stitch together. 80 sts.

k2, p2 around for 2 inches (5.1 cm).

Set up round: *p3, k9; rep 5 times. *p3, kfb, k5, kfb; rep 2 times. 84 sts

BODY

Rounds 1-2: *p3, k9; rep 7 times.

Round 3: *p3, c6b, k3; rep 7 times.

Rounds 4-6: As round 1

Round 7: *p3, k3, c6f; rep 7 times

Round 8: As round 1.

Rep rounds 1-8 eight times, or until hat measures about 10 inches (25.4 cm) from CO edge. Begin decrease rounds.

For version without a folded brim, only repeat rounds 1-8 six times.

DECREASE ROUNDS

Decrease round 1: *p3, k7, k2tog; rep 7 times. (77 sts)

Decrease round 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10: KKPP

Decrease round 3: *p3, k6, k2tog; rep 7 times. (70 sts)

Decrease round 5: *p3, k5, k2tog; rep 7 times. (63 sts). Switch to DPNs.

Decrease round 7: *p3, k4, k2tog; rep 7 times. (56 sts)

Decrease round 9: *p3, k3, k2tog; rep 7 times. (49 sts)

Decrease round 11: *p3, k2, k2tog; rep 7 times. (42 sts)

Decrease round 12: *p3, k1, k2tog; rep 7 times. (35 sts)

Decrease round 13: *p3, k2tog; rep 7 times. (28 sts)

Decrease round 14: *p2, k2tog; rep 7 times (21 sts)

Decrease round 15: *p1, k2tog; rep 7 times (14 sts)

Decrease round 16: *k2tog around (7 sts)

FINISHING

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Attach PomPom to top of hat. Weave in ends. Block.