

Decrease Hat - Knitted in Rows (flat) and then Seamed

Gauge: 5 sts/inch

Yarn: Encore Worsted Weight

Needles: Size 8, or size needed to obtain gauge

Sizes: Medium, (Large); brim approx 22" (24") in diameter, with lots of stretch in the ribbing.

Abbreviations:

K = knit

P = purl

K2tog = knit 2 together

CO = Cast On

BO = Bind Off

RS = Right Side

WS = Wrong Side

*** = repeat symbol.

sts = stitches

pm = place marker

sm = slip marker

Pattern Stitches:

2x2 Rib = 2 by 2 Rib, or *K2, P2*.

When ribbing in this pattern (because it is divisible by 4):

RS: Begin *K2, P2*, repeat to end

WS: *K2, P2*, repeat to end

1x1 Rib = 1 by 1 Rib, or *K1, P1*.

When ribbing in this pattern (because it is divisible by 2):

RS: Begin *K1, P1*, repeat to end

WS: *K1, P1*, repeat to end

Seed St:

RS: *K1, P1*, repeat to end

WS: *P1, K1*, repeat to end

St st (Stockinette St):

RS: Knit

WS: Purl

Variations: You can choose to not have the fold up brim in which case only knit to about 5 ½" instead of 8". The following are also possible combinations of a 1" brim and 5½" body:

- Ribbed brim, St st body
- Ribbed brim, Seed St body
- Seed St brim, Ribbed body

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Directions

CO 112, (120) sts.

Ribbed Brim:

Knit in 2x2 Rib for 2”.

(Alternate) Ribbed brim:

Knit in 1x1 Rib for 1”.

(Alternate) Seed St brim:

Knit in Seed St for 1”.

Ribbed Body:

Knit in 2x2 Rib until piece measures 8” from CO edge.

(Alternate) St st body:

Knit in St st until piece measures 6 ½”.

(Alternate) Seed St body:

Knit in Seed St until piece measure 6 ½”.

Begin decrease for Ribbing:

Decrease here for Medium:

1. (RS) Next row: *K2tog, P2, K2, P2* repeat to end - 98 sts remain
2. (WS) Next row: *K2, P2, K2, P1* repeat to end - 98 sts remain
3. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog, P2* repeat to end -84 sts remain
4. (WS) Next row: *K2, P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 84 sts remain
5. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog, P1* repeat to end - 70 sts remain
6. (WS) Next row: *K1, P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 70 sts remain
7. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog* repeat to end - 56 sts remain
8. (WS) Next row: *P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 56 sts remain
9. (RS) Next row: *K2tog, P1, K1* repeat to end - 42 sts remain
10. (WS) Next row: *P1, K2* repeat to end - 42 sts remain
11. (RS) Next row: *P1, K2tog* repeat to end - 28 sts remain
12. (WS) Next row: *P1, K1* repeat to end - 28 sts remain
13. (RS) Next row: *K2tog* repeat to end - 14 sts remain

Continue here for Large:

1. (RS) Next row: *K2tog, P2, K2, P2* repeat to end - 105 sts remain
2. (WS) Next row: *K2, P2, K2, P1* repeat to end - 105 sts remain
3. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog, P2* repeat to end -90 sts remain
4. (WS) Next row: *K2, P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 90 sts remain
5. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog, P1* repeat to end - 75 sts remain
6. (WS) Next row: *K1, P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 75 sts remain

7. (RS) Next row: *K1, P2, K2tog* repeat to end - 60 sts remain
8. (WS) Next row: *P1, K2, P1* repeat to end - 60 sts remain
9. (RS) Next row: *K2tog, P1, K1* repeat to end - 45 sts remain
10. (WS) Next row: *P1, K2* repeat to end - 45 sts remain
11. (RS) Next row: *P1, K2tog* repeat to end - 30 sts remain
12. (WS) Next row: *P1, K1* repeat to end - 30 sts remain
13. (RS) Next row: *K2tog* repeat to end - 15 sts remain

(Alternate) Decrease for St st and Seed St:

All sizes

1. (RS) Next row: *K8, K2tog, pm* repeat to end - 98 (105) sts remain
2. (WS) Next row: Purl
3. (RS) Next row: *K to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, sm* - 84 (90) sts remain
4. (WS) Next row: Purl
5. (RS) Next row: *K to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, sm* - 70 (75) sts remain
6. (WS) Next row: Purl
7. (RS) Next row: *K to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, sm* - 56 (60) sts remain
8. (WS) Next row: Purl
9. (RS) Next row: *K to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, sm* - 42 (45) sts remain
10. (WS) Next row: Purl
11. (RS) Next row: *K to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, sm* - 28 (30) sts remain
12. (WS) Next row: Purl
- 13.** (RS) Next row: *K2tog * - 14 (15) sts remain

Finish

Cut yarn and pull through remaining sts to form the top circle. Seam along edge making sure to line up CO edge to create the hat shape. Fold up about 2” of the bottom to create brim.