

## Ripple Hat

*Original design by Kathleen.*

Samples pictured were knitted with worsted weight yarn on 16" size 8 circular needles. Another was knitted with lighter weight yarn and larger needle size for a more open look for summer; another was knitted on one size larger needles with thicker weight yarn and fewer stitches. Adjust according to your yarn and tension.

The pattern stitch is multiples of 8 stitches repeated across the row for 5 rows.



Cast on 72 stitches; join yarn being careful not to twist stitches. Place marker at beginning of row.

Knit 6 (or more) rows, knitting every row for rolled brim (or a brim of your choice).

Begin 5-row pattern; place markers every 8 stitches to mark the pattern repeats.

Pattern rows:

1. \*P1, k6, p1; repeat from \* to end.
2. \*P2, k4, p2; repeat from \* to end.
3. \*K1, p2, k2, p2, k1, repeat from \* to end.
4. \*K2, p4, k2; repeat from \* to end.
5. \*K3, p2, k3; repeat from \* to end.

Repeat for 5-6 ripple designs until hat is tall enough, ending with row 5. Remove markers or reposition them as you begin decreasing.

If you want it slightly taller, knit a few rows before beginning decrease.

Decrease:

1. \*Knit 7, k2 together, place marker. Repeat from \*.
2. Knit one row.
3. Knit around knitting 2 together before each marker.
4. Knit one row.
5. Repeat row 3 until only 1 stitch remains in each section, cut yarn and thread through last 8 stitches. Weave in ends.