

## Basic Knitted Baby Hat

**Sizes:** Newborn, Med preemie (5-7 lbs), Small preemie (1-4lbs)  
All sizes follow the same instructions.

**Yarn:** SOFT yarn such as Caron Simply Soft Light or any #3 weight soft yarn  
Newborn uses size 8 needles  
Med size uses size 6 needles and uses a baby sport weight  
Small size uses a size 4 needle and baby yarn

**Note:** The pattern is written for straight needles but can easily be converted to work in the round on either double-pointed or circular needles. If you work in the round, the entire pattern, with the exception of the 1X1 ribbing, will be knit and there will be no back seam to sew.

### General Directions

Cast on 54 sts. Work in K1-P1 ribbing for 16 rows. approx. 2inches.  
Change to Stockinette stitch.  
K1 row P1 row and knit for 24 rows.

### Decrease Rows

Row1-- Knit 3 knit 2 together across  
Row2--Purl 2 Purl 2 together across  
Row 3 -Knit 1 Knit 2 together across  
Row 4--Purl 2 together across.

Cut a long length of yarn for sewing. Gather remaining stitches securely and sew back seam.  
Add pompom or bow if desired.

