

Pixie Hat for a Small Adult or an Older Child

Materials:

Size US #8 knitting needles (double point and 16" circular)
 Approximately 135 yards of a soft worsted weight (#4) yarn
 5 stitch markers (4 of the same color and 1 of a unique color)

Abbreviations:

k knit
 k2tog knit two together
 p purl
 pm place marker
 rep repeat
 rnd round
 sm slip marker
 st(s) stitch(es)
 tog together



Pattern:

Cast on 65 sts and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist stitches and placing the unique colored marker to note the beginning of the round (you can use either the double points or the 16" circular)

Work every round in k 1, p1 until piece is about 6" from cast on edge.

Next rnd: *work 11 sts *in pattern as set*, then work the next two sts tog, place a marker, rep from * to end of rnd (60 sts on needle after this rnd and 5 markers, 1 unique color to note beginning of round and 4 of the same color to note the sections for decreasing)

Decrease for crown:

If working on circular needle, switch to double points when it becomes difficult to work on the circular.

Rnd 1: *k10, k2tog, sm, rep from * to end of rnd (note that the k10 places you 2 sts before the marker and these last two sts are knit together)

Rnd 2: k

Rnd 3: *k9, k2tog, sm, rep from * to end of rnd (note that the k9 places you 2 sts before the marker and these last two sts are knit together)

Rnd 4: k

Rnd 5: *k8, k2tog, sm, rep from * to end of rnd (note that the k8 places you 2 sts before the marker and these last two sts are knit together)

Rnd 4: k

Continue in this fashion, decreasing by 1 st per section between markers on every uneven numbered round and knitting every even numbered round until you have a total of 10 sts remaining (2 between each marker)

Cut yarn, thread thru remaining stitches purl wise, tighten up, secure on inside of hat and weave in all ends.