

Cardigan Ponytail Hat Pattern

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This hat is knit flat then lightly felted (just enough to strengthen the button band without losing fabric flexibility or stitch definition). The vine pattern on the hat pictured was embroidered with an unplied strand of Tundra from Loop-d-Loop by Teva Durham before felting.

Note: when knitting the second button hole row, be careful to work both yarn overs.

Yarn: Granite from Loop-d-Loop by Teva Durham, 2 balls (55 yds/ea) or any rather bulky yarn that may be felted

Needles and notions: size 11 straight, or size needed to obtain gauge; 3 buttons; foam ball wrapped in plastic wrap for blocking

Gauge: approx. 12 stitches/4 in in stockinette (after light felting)

Cast on 65 stitches using the long-tail cast on.

Rows 1-10

All odd rows: K5; (P1, K1) 30 times

All even rows **except row 4**: (K1, P1) 30 times; P4; K1

Row 4: K1; SSK; 2yo; K2tog; (P1, K1) 27 times; P5; K1

Rows 11-21

All odd rows: K61; (P1, K1) 2 times

All even rows **except row 18**: (K1, P1) 2 times; K1; P to the last stitch; K1

Row 18: K1; SSK; 2yo; K2tog; P to the last stitch; K1

Rows 22-34

All even rows **except row 32**: (K1, P1) 2 times; K1; P to the last stitch; K1

Row 23: (K2tog, K8) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Row 25: (K2tog, K7) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Row 27: (K2tog, K6) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Row 29: (K2tog, K5) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Row 31: (K2tog, K4) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Row 32: K1, SSK, 2yo; K2tog; P to the last stitch; K1

Row 33: (K2tog, K3) 6 times; K1; (P1, K1) 2 times

Rows 35-39

Row 35: (K2tog, K2) 6 times; (K1, P1) 2 times; move the P stitch just worked back onto the left needle and pass the remaining (unworked) stitch over it; leave this stitch on the left needle and turn

Row 36: K1; pass the stitch that was left on the needle over this K stitch; P1; K1; P to the last stitch; K1

Row 37: (K2tog, K1) 6 times; K1; P1; move the P stitch just worked back onto the left needle and pass the remaining (unworked) stitch over it; leave this stitch on the left needle and turn

Row 38: K1; pass the stitch that was left on the needle over this K stitch; P to the last stitch; K1

Row 39: (K2tog) 6 times; move the last (worked) stitch back onto the left needle and pass the remaining (unworked) stitch over it; transfer all stitches back to the left needle; thread tail through all stitches to bind off

Finishing

Sew in ends. Hand wash aggressively in warm water in order to lightly felt the fabric then block out to dry. (I pin the hat onto a foam ball covered in plastic wrap.) Sew on buttons. (Use the foam ball inside the hat to help with proper placement of the buttons.)