

Knit Hat Pattern

“Starfish”

Materials: (for a “medium” size)

Vanna’s Choice 100% acrylic yarn (Lion Brand)
one skein (3.5 oz./100 gm = 170 yd/156 m)
#8 circular needles 16”

Pattern A:

Row 1: P1; slip 1 st, hold to back, K1; Knit slipped stitch; slip 1 st, hold to front, K1; Knit slipped stitch; P 1

Row 2: work even (purl in every purl stitch, knit in each knit stitch)

Row 3: P1; slip 1 st, hold to front; K 1; Knit slipped stitch; slip 1 st, hold to back, K1; Knit slipped stitch; P 1

Row 4: work even

Ribbing:

Cast on 85 sts, join to work in the round

Row 1: [(K1; P1) x 5; K1; P1; K4; P1] x 5

Row 2: work even (purl in every purl stitch, knit in every knit stitch)

Establish pattern:

Row 1: [(K1; P1;) x 5; K1; {Pat A Row 1}] x 5;

Row 2: work even

Row 3: [9K1; P1;) x 5; K1; {Pat A Row 3}] x 5

Row 4: work even

Repeat these 4 rows twice more to total 3 pattern repeats in the ribbing section.
Ribbing will be 2 ½ to 3 inches long.

Cap (Main pattern = double seed stitch)

Row 1: [(P 1; K 1;) x 5; P 1;] [Pat A Row 1} all x 5

Row 2: Work even

Row 3: [(K 1; P 1;) x 5; K 1;] {Pat A Row 3} all x 5

Row 4: Work even

Work Rows 1 – 4 five times for length of 3 ¼ to 3 ½ from end of ribbing or about 5 ½ to 6 “ from beginning.

Start Decreases:

SSKPSSO = Slip one stitch as if to knit, Knit the next stitch, then pass the slipped stitch over the just knit stitch.

SSPPSSO = Slip one stitch as if to purl, purl the next stitch, then pass the slipped stitch over the just purled stitch

Decrease one stitch at beginning and end of each seed stitch section on the RS row, every 4th row. That is, decrease a total of 10 stitches every 4 rows.

Row 1: [K 2 tog; (P1; K 1;) x 4; P 1;(SSKPSSO); {Pat A Row 1}] x 5

Row 2: Work even

Row 3: [P 1; (K 1; P 1;) x 4; K 1; {Pat A Row 3}] x 5

Row 4: Work even

Row 5: [K 2 tog; (P 1; K 1;) x 3; P 1; (SSKPSSO); {Pat A Row 1}] x 5

Row 6: Work even

Row 7: [P 1; (K 1; P 1;) x 3 K 1; {Pat A Row 3}] x 5

Row 8: Work even

Repeat these 8 rows, decreasing the number of stitches in the established fashion until 3 stitches remain in each seed stitch section for a total of 45 stitches.

Final Decreases:

Row 1: [P 2 tog; K 1; (SSPPSSO); K 4;] x 5 (35 sts)

Row 2: Work even

Row 3: [P 2 tog; K1; (SSPPSSO); x 3 (25 sts)

Row 4: [P 2 tog; K1; (SSPPSSO); x 2 (15 sts)

Row 5: K 2 tog x 7; K1 (8 sts)

Bind off by using a tapestry needle to pass the yarn through the remaining stitches. Tighten to close the top, then work the end of the yarn into the inside of the cap to secure it.