



Floppy cotton HAT

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pattern



FINISHED SIZE One size fits all* *see NOTE*- actual measurements - 16cm/ 6¼in diameter at the top of the hat , brim depth 10cm/ 4in, overall depth - 20cm/ 8in

***NOTE** - if you are a tight knitter or want a large hat may I suggest up-ing the needle size by 1:- Crown from 4mm to 4.5mm/ size 7; Brim 4.50mm to 5.00mm/ size 8

YARN 3 x 50g DK weight cotton or linen yarn, I used Scheepjes Linen Soft shade 603 and Stylecraft Craft Cotton shade Ecu - you'll need about 360 metres overall

NEEDLES Crown - 2 x 4mm/ size 6 needles also same size circular needle
Brim - 4.50mm/ size 7 knitting needles

TENSION 11 stitches, 20 rows of garter stitch over 5cm with 4mm needles

TOP OF THE HAT

Cast on 19sts using 4mm/ size 4 needles

***Row 1** RS) K3, turn

Row 2 WS) Slip 1 knit-wise, k2

Row 3 K9, turn

Row 4 Slip 1 knit-wise, k8

Row 5 K15, turn

Row 6 Slip 1 knit-wise, k14

Row 7 K12, turn

Row 8 Slip 1 knit-wise, k11

Row 9 K6, turn

Row 10 Slip 1 knit-wise, k5

Rows 11 - 12 Garter stitch 2 rows**

Rows 13 - 218 Rep last 12 rows from * to ** 17 times.

Join cast on and cast off ends together with mattress seam.

CROWN

Using 4mm/ size 4 circular needle with single strand of yarn pick up and knit 98 stitches evenly around the edge of the right side of the Crown Top

Rows 1 (WS) - 15 Garter stitch 15 rows

... add flower motif

Row 16 (RS) K34, place marker, work Flower Motif Row 1 (*see below*) over the next 10 stitches, place marker, k to the end.

FLOWER MOTIF **worked over 10 sts and 8 rows**

IMPORTANT NOTE on Motif Rows 2, 4, 6, 8 - you will only purl into the first yarn over (yo) that you come to, the second 'yo' is simply dropped off the needle

Motif Row 1 K3, yo twice, skpo, yo twice, skpo, k3

Motif Row 2 K2, p6, k2

Motif Row 3 K2, yo twice, skpo, k2, yo twice, skpo, k2

Motif Row 4 As Motif Row 2

Motif Row 5 As Motif Row 3

Motif Row 6 As Motif Row 2

Motif Row 7 As Motif Row 1

Motif Row 8 As Motif Row 2

Row 17 (WS) K to marker, slip marker, work Flower Motif Row 2 over the next 10 stitches, slip marker, k to the end

Rows 18 - 23 Continue to work garter stitch either sides of the markers with Motif Rows as set inside the markers for all eight Flower Motif Rows

Rows 24 - 25 Garter stitch 2 rows - remove markers

... add flower motif #2

Row 26 (RS) K41, place marker, work Flower Motif Row 1 over the next 10 stitches, place marker, k to the end.

Row 27 K to marker, slip marker, work Flower Motif Row 2 over the next 10 stitches, slip marker, k to the end

Rows 28 - 33 Continue to work garter stitch either sides of the markers with Motif Rows as set inside the markers for all eight Flower Motif Rows

Row 34 - 38 Garter stitch 5 rows, remove markers

Leave the yarn ball attached and leave the stitches on the circular for now

BRIM

Cast on 15sts working with 2 strands together and using 4.50mm/ size 7 needles

Rows 1 - 2 Garter stitch 2 rows

***Row 3 RS)** K3, turn

Row 4 WS) Slip 1 knit-wise, k2

Row 5 K9, turn

Row 6 Slip 1 knit-wise, k8

Row 7 K6, turn

Row 8 Slip 1 knit-wise, k5

Rows 9 - 10 Garter stitch 2 rows**

Rows 11 plus Rep last 8 rows from * to ** until the brim fits accurately around the circumference of bottom the crown - the stitches that are still on the circular needle - please note - you do not have to complete all 8 rows, just work until it fits

DON'T cast off or cut yarn just yet - when you join crown to brim you may find that you may need an extra row or two! - Only when you are coming to the end of the joining, as outlined below, will you cast off this edge.

TO MAKE UP

With the WRONG SIDE (WS) of the crown facing join the shortest row-end edge of the brim to the crown as follows:

Tip of circular needle into the first stitch (as if to knit) on WS of CROWN then needle into first BRIM row-end stitch (shortest row-end edge) again, knit-wise, pull yarn through both stitches and onto the needle in the right hand, repeat from * to * - 2 stitches are now on the needle in the right hand - cast off (first stitch over the second and off the needle)

NOTE - with garter stitch the row edge looks like a row of dots/ knots and dashes/ straight horizontal stitches - so when you enter the brim edge you'll alternate between a dot stitch and a dash stitch.

Continue to knit both crown and brim stitches together and then casting off.

Join the back seam of the brim and the back seam of the crown with mattress seam.

Catch one side with a brooch or a couple of stitches to style.

