



Quick to knit HAT

One size fits all - quick and easy to knit - pom-pom is optional
This cosy warm hat can be pulled down over the ears



Use 2 strands of double knitting yarn knitted together on 6mm needles

Tension - this will vary according to brand of yarn used. As a guide the tension over stocking stitch using two strands of DK yarn will be approximately 16 st and 20 rows to 10cm (4 in).

Abbreviations

K - knit; P - purl; St - stitch; St-st - stocking stitch; K2tog - knit two stitches together; P2tog - purl two stitches together; * * - repeat the pattern inside the asterisks.

Children love lots of bright colours so add stripes if you can. Stripes can be placed anywhere on the hat. Knitting together two different coloured strands of yarn will create an attractive speckled effect. Stitch a pom-pom to the hat or leave plain.

Cast on 62 stitches (use 2 strands of yarn)

Row 1. *k2, p2* repeat across row

Row 2. *p2, k2* repeat across row

Rows 3 - 18. Repeat rows 1 and 2 to create rib.

Rows 19 - 38. St.st starting with a knit row

Row 39. *k1, k2tog* repeat across row to last two stitches, K2 (42st)

Row 40. Purl

Row 41. K2tog across row (21st)

Row 42. P2tog to last stitch, P1 (11st)

Cut the two yarns 20cm (8in) from the work and thread them both onto a sewing needle with a large eye (tapestry type). Remove the stitches from the knitting needle onto the yarn and draw up very tightly. Stitch the seam down to the cast-on edge. To finish, stitch a pom-pom to the top of the hat or leave plain if preferred.