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Preemie Hats for Charity



These little hats make a great stash-busting project that gives back to the community at the same time.

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Materials:

Small amounts of sport-weight soft, washable yarn in pastels, or colors of your choice

US3 (3.25mm) double-pointed needles

Tapestry needle

Gauge:

6.5 to 7 sts = 1in (2.54cm), depending on your yarn

A slightly different gauge will give you a slightly smaller or larger hat, but all baby heads are different anyway.

Finished Size:

11-12in (28-30.5cm) in circumference

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Pattern:

CO 72 sts and distribute to dpns. Join, being careful not to twist.

Work k2, p2 ribbing for 6 rnds.



Eyelet Version Only:

Rnds 1-3: knit.

Rnd 4: *k1, k2tog, yo, k3*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 5-7: knit.

Rnd 8: *k4, k2tog, yo*; rep between *s around.

Rep Rnds 1-8 twice more.

Continue to Crown Shaping below.



Heart Version Only:

Rnds 1-3: knit.

Rnd 4: *k6, p1, k5*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 5: *k5, [p1, k1] twice, k3*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 6: *k4, [p1, k1] three times, k2*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 7, 9, 11: *k3, [p1, k1] four times, k1*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 8, 10: *k2, [p1, k1] five times*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 12: *k4, [p1, k3] twice*; rep between *s around.

Knit 12 more rnds.

Continue to Crown Shaping below.



Diamond Version Only:

Rnds 1-3: knit.

Rnds 4, 12: *k6, p1, k5*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 5, 11: *k5, p1, k1, p1, k4*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 6, 10: *k4, p1, k3, p1, k3*; rep between *s around.

Rnds 7, 9: *k3, p1, k5, p1, k2*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 8: *k2, p1, k7, p1, k1*; rep between *s around.

Knit 12 more rnds.

Continue to Crown Shaping below.

Crown Shaping (Eyelet, Heart and Diamond Versions):

Rnd 1 and all odd rnds: knit.

Rnd 2: *k4, k2tog*; rep between *s around - 60 sts.

Rnd 4: *k3, k2tog*; rep between *s around - 48 sts.

Rnd 6: *k2, k2tog*; rep between *s around - 36 sts.

Rnd 8: *k1, k2tog*; rep between *s around - 24 sts.

Rnd 10: k2tog around - 12 sts.

Knit one more rnd even.

Cut tail and thread through remaining loops. Pull tight and tie off. Weave in ends.



Striped Version Only:

CO 72 sts with color A and distribute to dpns. Join, being careful not to twist.

Work k2, p2 ribbing for 6 rnds.

Switch to color B, without cutting color A. Knit two rnds with color B.

Switch back to color A, without cutting color B, by twisting the two strands behind work. Knit two rnds with color A.

Continue in stst, changing colors every two rnds, for 24 rnds above ribbing.

Follow crown shaping as above, but continue to change color every two rnds.



Ribbed Version Only:

CO 72 sts and distribute to dpns. Join, being careful not to twist.

Work k2, p2 ribbing for 30 rnds.

Crown Shaping (Ribbed Version):

Rnd 1: *k2, p2, k2, p2tog*; rep between *s around - 63 sts.

Rnd 2: *k2, p2, k2, p1*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 3: *k2, p2, k1, p2tog*; rep between *s around - 54 sts.

Rnd 4: *k2, p2, k1, p1*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 5: *k2, p2, p2tog*; rep between *s around - 45 sts.

Rnd 6: *k2, p3*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 7: *k2, p1, p2tog*; rep between *s around - 36 sts.

Rnd 8: *k2, p2*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 9: *k2tog, p2tog*; rep between *s around - 18 sts.

Rnd 10: *k1, p1*; rep between *s around.

Rnd 11: k2tog around - 9 sts.

Cut tail and thread through remaining loops. Pull tight and tie off. Weave in ends.

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