

Vintage Pin Cap

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Size

Fits head sizes 22" – 24"

Finished Measurements

Circumference: 19"

Height: approx. 8"

Materials

1 skein Bulky weight yarn (100 yds or more)

3 - 4 yds of a contrast color yarn

US size 10 circular needles 16" length

1 set US size 10 double pointed needles

1 stitch marker

1 yarn needle

Gauge

Cast on 20 sts on circular needles. Knit 3" in stockinette st and cast off. Lay swatch flat and measure the width (measure to the nearest quarter-inch to be exact). Take number of stitches (20) and divide it by the width of your swatch in inches. This calculation is the number of stitches per inch in your swatch.

20 divided by (width of swatch) = ____ (stitches per inch)

____ (stitches per inch) X 19" = ____ (# sts to cast on)

Pattern Notes

Directions are to knit from hat opening to crown

Directions

Follow formula above to calculate # of sts to cast on. Cast on with circular needles.

Join to begin working in the round, being careful not to twist.

Start work in K2, P2 rib pattern. After a few rounds have been completed, place a stitch marker in work to indicate beginning of round.

Continue K2, P2 rib pattern until work measures 1 ½" from beginning.

Change to Stockinette stitch. Continue until work measures 6 ½" – 6 ¾".

Shaping Crown

Start knitting with double pointed needles

Row 1: *K2tog, K2; rep from * to end

Row 2: *K2tog, K1, rep from * to end

Row 3: K all sts

Row 4: *K2tog, rep from * to end

Finishing

Break yarn and leave 15" tail. Thread yarn through the yarn needle and thread needle through remaining sts, and pull tight. Thread yarn once more through remaining sts. Thread yarn through center of sts to inside of hat and weave in tail. Thread contrast color yarn through yarn needle, and hand stitch a star-like pattern in the placement of your choice. Secure yarn with a knot and weave in tail. Add your favorite vintage pin over the center of the star for embellishment.



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