



Carnival toddler hat

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with funky i-cord "locks" this multi-coloured hat is super easy, making it ideal for the beginner knitter wanting to practice knitting in the round with circulars and double pointed needles. Bonus point? Minimum finishing!

ingredients

finished size 40 cm circumference, to fit 12-18 months

yarn aran weight: MC (ie: variegated colour) 50g (115 metres approx); CC contrasting yarn (ie: solid colour) 20g (45 metres approx)

needles size 5mm (40cm) circular and DPNs. Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge. Optional: 4mm crochet hook.

notions 1x stitch marker; tapestry needle

gauge 18sts and 26 rows = 10 cm in stocking st

stitch guide

stocking st k all rnds.

ribbing *k2, p2* repeat from * to * to end of rnd.

hat

With circular needles and CC yarn, using long-tail method, CO 72 sts. Making sure no sts are twisted, pm and join sts to work in the round. Work 6 rnds in stocking st. Work 5 rnds in ribbing. K 1 rnd. Change to MC yarn. Work in stocking st until body measures 12 cm from CO edge (edge will roll approx 1 cm). Sl sts onto DPNs.

crown shaping *K6, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (63 sts on needles). K2 rnds. *K5, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (54 sts on needles). K2 rnds. *K4, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (45 sts on needles). K1 rnd. *K3, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (36 sts on needles). *K2, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end



of rnd (27 sts on needles). *K1, k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (18 sts on needles). *k2tog* repeat from * to * to end of rnd (9 sts on needles). Repeat last rnd (5 sts on needles). K2tog (4 sts on needles). Sl sts onto 1 DPN.

i-cords locks Using 2 DPNs work a 4 sts i-cord for approx 8 cm. Cut yarn leaving a 10 cm tail. Using tapestry needle, weave tail through i-cord. Using crochet hook and alternating between MC and CC, pu 4 sts near first i-cord and switching to 2 DPNs, repeat above process, creating as many i-cords as desired, of different lengths (example in photograph shows 11 i-cords of 4 to 12 cm).

finishing

Weave in ends. Block lightly to finished measurements. Give to your favourite toddler to wear and enjoy!

glossary

CO=cast on; **st(s)**=stitch(es); **k**=knit; **pm**=place marker; **sl**=slip; **rnd(s)**=round(s); **k2tog**=knit 2 sts together; **pu**=pick up; **DPN(s)**=double pointed needle(s).

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