

# CARNIVAL BABY HAT

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? Minimal finishing!



## INGREDIENTS

### FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Circumference: **40 cm** (15.7"). To fit newborn / 0-3 months.

### YARN

**Aran weight: MC** (ie: variegated colour): 50g (approx. 115 metres); **CC** (ie: solid colour): 20g (approx. 45 metres).

### SUGGESTED NEEDLES

5 mm (40 cm) circular & DPNs. Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

**Optional:** 4 mm crochet hook.

### NOTIONS

1 x stitch marker; tapestry needle.

### GAUGE

18 sts and 26 rows = 10 cm (4") in **stocking stitch**.

### STITCH GUIDE

#### STOCKING STITCH

**All rnds:** knit all stitches.

#### RIBBING 2X2

**All rnds:** \*k2, p2\*, repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd.

## DIRECTIONS

With **circular needles** and **CC** yarn CO 72 sts. Making sure not to twist sts, pm to mark BOR, join and work in the round.

Work **stocking stitch** for 4 rnds.

Work **ribbing 2x2** for 5 rnds. K 1 rnd.

Change to **MC** yarn. Work in **stocking stitch** until body measures 12 cm (4.7") from CO edge [edge will roll approx. 1 cm (0.39")].

### CROWN SHAPING

(Switch to DPNs when there are too few sts for the circulars.)

**Rnd 1:** \*k6, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (63 sts on needles).

**Rnds 2 & 3:** \*k\*, repeat from from \* to \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 4:** \*k5, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (54 sts on needles).

**Rnds 5 & 6:** \*k\*, repeat from from \* to \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 7:** \*k4, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (45 sts on needles).

**Rnd 8:** \*k\*, repeat from from \* to \* to end of rnd.

**Rnd 9:** \*k3, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (36 sts on needles).

**Rnd 10:** \*k2, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (27 sts on needles).

**Rnd 11:** \*k1, k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (18 sts on needles).

**Rnd 12:** \*k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (9 sts on needles).

**Rnd 13:** \*k2tog\* repeat from \* to \* to end of rnd (5 sts on needles).

**Rnd 14:** 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** (3.1"). Cut yarn leaving a **10 cm** (3.9") tail. Using the tapestry needle, weave the tail through the i-cord. Using the 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 ranging from 4 (1.5") to 12 cm (4.7")].

### FINISHING

Using the tapestry needle, weave in ends. Lightly block to finished measurements. Give to your favourite newborn to **wear and enjoy!** 😊

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### ABBREVIATIONS (A-Z)

**BOR**=beginning of round; **CO**=cast on;  
**DPN(s)**=double pointed needle(s); **k**=knit; **p**=purl;  
**pu**=pick-up; **rnd(s)**=round(s); **k2tog**=knit 2 sts together; **sl**=slip; **st(s)**=stitch(es).

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