POINT MADE HAT

The Point Made Hat draws inspiration from the original *Melt the ICE Hat* pattern by Paul S Neary, rooted in the tradition of red, pointed hats worn by Norwegians as a symbol of resistance during the 1940s Nazi occupation. With a nod to the *nisselue*, the tall, Santa-like cap with tassels, the Point Made Hat carries that spirit of craftivism forward in a knit form that is both striking and expressive.

INGREDIENTS

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Circumference: **44 cm** (17.3"). Height: **26 cm** (10") excluding i-cord and tassel. To fit average adult.

YARN

Any **aran or worsted** weight yarn, approx. 70g / 230 metres (250 yards).

Yarn used in pattern photos: **Sesia Arboris** colour: #466 (Berry Red). This yarn has sadly been discontinued.

SUGGESTED NEEDLES

4 mm – 40 cm (16") circular and 4mm DPNs (or a longer circular for Magic Loop). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

NOTIONS

4 x stitch markers, of which 1 unique to indicate BOR; tapestry needle; scissors.

GAUGE

21 sts and 28 rows = 10 cm (4") in **stockinette stitch**.

NOTES

PM

Place marker: due to the type of decreases used in this pattern, the stitch marker does NOT go on needles, but it is clasped to the actual stitch. This is referred to as *marked stitch*.

CDD

Center Double Decrease: slip two stitches together knitwise (as if knitting them together), knit the next stitch, then pass the two slipped stitches over the knit stitch.

DIRECTIONS

BRIM

CO 108 sts using the **1x1 Tubular Cast On** method. Do NOT join in the rnd.

Work 4 rows of **double knit**, as follows:

Double knit row 1: * k1, s 1 st wyf *, repeat from * to * to end of row. Turn.

Double knit row 2: * s 1 st wyf, k1 *, repeat from * to * to end of row. Turn.

Repeat double knit rows 1 and 2 one MORE time.

(If you do not want to work the Tubular Cast On, you can use a cast on method of your choice, for instance the Twisted German Cast On, and skip the above steps going straight to joining in the round.)

JOIN IN THE ROUND: making sure not to twist the sts, place the BOR marker, to mark beg of rnd, join and work in the rnd.

Work **ribbing**, as follows:

Ribbing: * k1, p1 *, repeat from * to * to end of rnd.

Work ribbing for 7 cm (2.7") from CO edge.

MAKE THE FOLD (*OPTIONAL*): work 4 rnds of slipped stitches for the "fold", as follows:

Fold rnd: * sl 1 st wyb, p1 *, repeat from * to * to end of rnd.

Repeat fold rnd three MORE times.

Continue working **ribbing** for another 5 cm (2").

BODY

When work measures 12 cm (4.7") from CO edge, work a **decrease rnd**, as follows:

Dec rnd: * k7, k2tog *, repeat from * to * to end of rnd (12 sts dec'd). There are now 96 sts remaining on the needles.

Work **stockinette stitch** for 5 cm (2") from CO edge.

CROWN SHAPING

*Please READ THE NOTE **PM** in the side bar on the left.*

Set-up rnd – placing markers: k12, PM, k24, PM, k24, PM, k24, PM, k12. (3 additional markers have been placed. There are now 4 markers on the needles.)

DECREASES

Dec rnd: * k to 1 st before *marked stitch*, CDD *, repeat from * to * three MORE times, k to end of rnd (8 sts dec'd.)

Work the decreases as follows:

Dec rnd, followed by 6 even rnds (88 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 6 even rnds (80 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 5 even rnds (72 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 5 even rnds (64 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 4 even rnds (56 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 4 even rnds (48 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 3 even rnds (40 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 3 even rnds (32 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 2 even rnds (24 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 2 even rnds (16 sts on needles).
Dec rnd, followed by 2 even rnds (8 sts on needles).

Final dec rnd: * k2tog *, repeat from * to * three MORE times. There are now 4 sts remaining on the needles.

I-CORD

Work a 4-stitch i-cord for 15 cm (6"). Leaving a 20 cm (7.8") tail, cut the yarn and thread through the live sts to secure.

TASSEL

Make a yarn tassel (see below for link to tutorial).

FINISHING

Using the tapestry needle, attach tassel to i-cord by sewing the tail from the i-cord and the two tails from the tassel. Weave in ends. Lightly block to finished measurements.

Wear and enjoy! 😊

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ABBREVIATIONS (A-Z)

beg=beginning; **BOR**=beg of rnd; **CO**=cast on; **dec/'d**=decrease/d; **DPN(s)**=double pointed needle(s); **inc/d**=increase/d; **k**=knit; **k2tog**=knit 2 sts together; **p**=purl; **PM**=place marker; **rnd(s)**=round(s); **sl**=slip; **st(s)**=stitch(es); **wyf**=with yarn in front; **wyb**=with yarn in back.

More abbreviations and links to tutorials, including how to make a yarn tassel, at:

annarella.co.uk/resources

THE SMALL PRINT

Melt the ICE Hat

The original Melt the ICE Hat pattern, designed by Paul S Neary of Needle & Skein, may be purchased on Ravelry by following this link: **ravelry.com/patterns/library/melt-the-ice-hat**

All proceeds from the sale of this pattern go to the immigrant aid agencies who will distribute the funds to those impacted by the actions of ICE.

I am releasing my own pattern **free of charge** for those who prefer this shape/fit, but please consider purchasing the original pattern to support this cause, even if you knit my free version. Thanks! ♥