

Coney Hat

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This design is not quite my original. I have adapted this pattern from a vintage knitting and crochet booklet that I collected years ago called "Hats, Hats, Hats" Star Book No. 168 by American Thread Co. (there is no copyright or date that I can find). I made the original for my husband in a yarn substitute with a larger gauge (but *without* a pompon) and it turned out huge. Since there was the need for hats at a local Children's Hospital I decided to bring the scale down and make it bright and fun.



Materials:

- Lion Brand Cotton Ease - 1 skein in 3 colors (there will be enough for several hats) 100 gm (3 1/2 oz.) 207 yds (188 mm) (50% cotton 50% acrylic)
- US #4 (3.5 mm) set of 4 dpns
- Stitch markers
- Tapestry needle

Gauge: 20 sts x 28 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch

Finished size: 15 1/4" circumference at bottom edge. 17" from bottom edge to top (slightly stretched & bottom edge unrolled)

Abbreviations:

K = Knit

P = Purl

SSK = slip, slip, knit these 2 sts together

SSP = slip, slip, purl these 2 sts together

Inc = increase

Dec = decrease

CO = cast on

St = stitch

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

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Note 1:

First color will be MC, 2nd color will be C1 and 3rd color will be C2.

Note 2:

Hat may be knitted flat but add 2 extra stitches when casting on. End with 9 sts and cut yarn tail about 36". Using yarn tail, sew seam neatly. If hat is knitted flat the seam will show when bottom edge is curled up and the yarn used for seaming will be of contrasting color.

Instructions:

With MC, cast on 70 sts. Place 24 sts on 1st needle, 22 sts on 2nd needle and 24 sts on 3rd needle. Join being careful not to twist. Place marker at beginning of row and knit for 2". Begin Striping:

Stripe 1: With C1, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 2: With C2, knit 5 rows.

Stripe 3: With MC, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 4: With C1, *K8, SSK*, rep across row (63 sts), Knit 4 rows.

Stripe 5: With C2, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 6: With MC, knit 4 rows. *K7, SSK*, rep across row (56 sts).

Stripe 7: With C1, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 8: With C2, knit 5 rows.

Stripe 9: With MC, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 10: With C1, *K6, SSK*, rep across row (49 sts), Knit 4 rows.

Stripe 11: With C2, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 12: With MC, knit 4 rows. *K5, SSK*, rep across row (42 sts).

Stripe 13: With C1, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 14: With C2, knit 5 rows.

Stripe 15: With MC, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 16: With C1, *K4, SSK*, rep across row (35 sts), Knit 4 rows.

Stripe 17: With C2, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 18: With MC, knit 4 rows. *K3, SSK*, rep across row (28 sts).

Stripe 19: With C1, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 20: With C2, knit 5 rows.

Stripe 21: With MC, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 22: With C1, *K2, SSK*, rep across row (21 sts), Knit 4 rows.

Stripe 23: With C2, knit one row. Purl next 4 rows.

Stripe 24: With MC, knit 4 rows. *K1, SSK*, rep across row (14 sts).

Top: With C1, knit one row. Purl next 3 rows. *SSP*, rep across row (7 sts).

Cut yarn leaving about 18". Thread this yarn tail on tapestry needle and pull through remaining sts. Take yarn through top center of hat and weave in on wrong side.

If you have any problems or find errors with the instructions please notify me and I'll try to get them worked out as soon as I can.

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