

HOW TO KNIT A HAT

Materials Needed

- 1 Skein or 3 oz of 4 ply yarn in any color.
- Yarn Sewing Needle
- No. 8 Knitting Needles
- No. 9 Knitting Needles

Finished Size: 26-27 inches around bottom edge of hat, 9 inches from top of hat to bottom edge.

Instructions for Knitting a Hat:

- Using No. 8 needles, Cast on 87 stitches onto your knitting needle.
- You must know how to do both knit and purl stitches to continue.
- **Work in** 1 x 1 rib until your work measures 1 inch long
- **Change** to No. 9 needles and proceed as follows. (To change needles simply pick up one No. 9 needle and proceed with the next row onto the number 9 needle. After that row is complete, pick up the other No. 9 needle and proceed with both No. 9 needles.)
- **Row 1.** Knit 87 stitches
- **Row 2.** Purl 87 stitches
- 1st and 2nd Rows set pattern.
- Continue in pattern for 6 inches ending with a "purl" row.
- To shape the top of the hat;
 - **Row 1.** *Knit 3 stitches, then Knit 3 stitches together, (To do this, simply do a knit stitch but instead of sliding your right needle under only one of the stitches on the left needle, slide the right needle through three stitches and knit them as you would have done with the one.) Start at * again and continue across row.
 - **Row 2.** Purl
- Continue 1st and 2nd rows until there are only 7 stitches left on your needle. (If that number doesn't come out exactly and is 6 or 8 etc.. that is fine.)
- To finish hat;
 - Measure about 15 inches of yarn from your last stitch and cut yarn.
 - Thread the large yarn needle with the yarn.
 - Pull the knitting needle out of the last 7 stitches.
 - Send the yarn needle through the 7 stitch loops.
 - Pull the yarn until you can no longer pull and the last stitch loops disappear into what makes the top of the hat.
 - Fold the hat, right sides together and bottom edges even.
 - Start sewing the hat edges together with the same needle and yarn from the top of the hat down to the bottom edge.
 - Tie a secure knot when you reach the bottom edge.
 - Turn the hat right side out.