

COOL BEANIE: Making Hats with Scraps

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Materials

Yarn

Worsted Weight, about 1/4 to 1/3 skein (50-65 yds) for each color used. If using single multicolor yarn, about 1/2-3/4 skein (100-150 yds) total.

Needles

16" circular and dpns, US 4/3.5 mm for very loose knitters to US 7/4.5 mm for very tight knitters

Gauge

Gauge is not critical; finished hats from 18" to 22" will find a cold head to keep warm

Guild member Sally Schaefer has shared her Cool Beanie hat design for adaptation for MKG Community Projects. The hats look great and make use of leftover yarn in two or three colors.

This is a simple pattern that creates a stretchy one-size hat that fits a variety of ages.

Use her pattern below, or try this concept of alternating two or three colors with another hat pattern, such as the Rib-a-Roni.

Abbreviations: K: knit; K2tog: knit 2 sts together; P: purl; Sts: stitches; [...] repeat enclosed instructions as specified.

DIRECTIONS

With darker color (Color A), cast on 90 sts ; join to work in the round, being careful stitches are not twisted, place a marker.

Round 1: With Color A, [K2, P1] around. Drop A

Round 2: With Color B, [K2, P1] around. Drop B.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2, alternating colors as indicated, for 5-1/2 to 6 inches.

Shape the Crown

Round 1: [K13, k2tog] 6 times. — 84 sts

Round 2: [K12, k2tog] 6 times. — 78 sts

Continue decreasing in this manner, switching to double-pointed needles as needed, until 12 sts remain.

Finishing

Thread yarn through the remaining stitches and fasten securely. Weave in all ends.

THREE-COLOR BEANIE

Follow pattern above using three colors instead of two. Alternate each color in new round, carrying unused colors up at the beginning of a new round.



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