

Rib-A-Roni Hat

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Materials

Sizes (to fit head circumference

Baby 15-16" (Child 17-18", Small 19-20"), [Medium 21-22", Large 23+"]

Recommended: Child size for ages 2-4 and Small size for ages 5-8. However, kids' head size measurements can vary. When in doubt, make a bigger size.

Yarn

Worsted Weight, 28 (43, 49), [57, 71] gm in 1 or more colors [Note: 3-6 gm for optional stripe]

Needles

16" circular and dpns, US 7/4.5 mm

Gauge

Approx. 4.75 sts/1", but gauge is not critical; finished hats from 15" to 22" will find a cold head to keep warm

Abbreviations: K: knit; **K2tog:** knit 2 sts together; **K2togtbl:** knit 2 sts tog through back loops; **P:** purl; **p2tog:** purl 2 sts tog; **p2togtbl:** purl 2 sts tog through back loops [may substitute with regular p2tog, if desired]; **Ssk:** sl 1 knit-wise, sl 1 purl-wise, move both sts back to left needle and k2togtbl; **Sts:** stitches; **tog:** together; [...] repeat enclosed instructions as specified.

PATTERN NOTE

If more than one color is being used, work approx. 2" before changing colors.

DIRECTIONS

Cast on 64, (72, 80), [88, 96] sts loosely. Join, being careful not to twist, and place marker. Establish rib pattern for size (**NOTE: Each size has its own distinct rib pattern**):

- Baby: [k4, p1, k2, p1] 8 times.
- Child: [k4, p1, k3, p1] 8 times.
- Small: [k4, p1, k4, p1] 8 times.
- Medium: [k4, p1, k2, p1, k2, p1] 8 times.
- Large: [k4, p1, k2, p2, k2, p1] 8 times.

For Baby, Child, and Small sizes: Work rib pattern for 4 (5, 5.5)" from cast-on. Continue with *Setup Round for Crown Shaping*.

For Medium and Large sizes only: Work rib pattern for 1.5" from cast-on, then **change** the rib pattern as follows:

Medium: [k4, p1, k5, p1] 8 times.

Large: [k4, p1, k6, p1] 8 times.

Work in new rib pattern until hat measures [6, 6.5]" total from cast-on.



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Setup Round for Crown Shaping (all sizes):

At beginning of round, remove marker, k2, replace first marker; this 1st marker is the new location for the beginning of rounds).

*Work in rib pattern for 16 (18, 20), [22, 24] sts, place marker (this is the 2nd marker); repeat from * two more times to place 3rd and 4th markers, then work to the end of the round in established rib, ending with a k2. The stitches should be evenly divided between the 4 markers as follows: 16 (18, 20), [22, 24] sts between markers.

Crown Shaping:

In the following instructions, work Rounds 9-18 for Baby (7-18 for Child, 5-18 for Small), [3-18 for Medium, 1-18 for Large]

For Large size only:

Round 1 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k5, p1, k4, p1, k5, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 88 sts

Round 2: [K2, p1, k5, p1, k4, p1, k5, p1, k2] 4 times.

For Medium and Large sizes only:

Round 3 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k4, p1, k4, p1, k4, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 80 sts

Round 4: [K2, p1, k4, p1, k4, p1, k4, p1, k2] 4 times.

For Small, Medium and Large only:

Round 5 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k3, p1, k4, p1, k3, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 72 sts

Round 6: [K2, p1, k3, p1, k4, p1, k3, p1, k2] 4 times.

For child, small, medium and large only:

Round 7 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k2, p1, k4, p1, k2, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 64 sts

Round 8: *K2, p1, k2, p1, k4, p1, k2, p1, k2;* repeat 3 more times.

For all sizes:

Round 9 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k1, p1, k4, p1, k1, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 56 sts

Round 10: [K2, p1, k1, p1, k4, p1, k1, p1, k2] 4 times.

Round 11 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, p1, k4, p1, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 48 sts

Round 12: [K2, p2, k4, p2, k2] 4 times.

Round 13 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k4, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 40 sts

Round 14: [K2, p1, k4, p1, k2] 4 times.

Round 15 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, k2, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 32 sts

Round 16 (decrease): [k2, p2togtbl, p2tog, k2] 4 times. — 24 sts

Round 17 (decrease): [k1, ssk, k2tog, k1] 4 times. — 16 sts

Round 18 (decrease): [ssk, k2tog] 4 times. — 8 sts

Cut 8" yarn tail and pull through last 8 sts on the needles. Weave in all ends.



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