

So-Called Hat





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Thick patterned stitch creates fabric that doesn't roll and holds in warmth.

The So-Called Scarf is a well known scarf pattern available for free online. I designed this hat to be part of a matching set with the so-called scarf I knit. The stitch pattern is thicker than stockinette fabric knit from the same yarn would be - which makes it great for hats, scarves, and other warm layers.

<p>Finished Size: S[M, L] 20[22, 24] inch circumference</p> <p>Gauge: 22sts/18rows per 4 inches in pattern st using US8 needles OR needle size to obtain gauge.</p> <p>Yarn: Folded Brim Hat: Bartlett fisherman's two-ply 210 yds/113 gms 100% wool Picot Edged Hat: Handspun Recommended replacement: Malabrigo worsted 216 yds/100 gms 100% wool</p> <p>Notions: US8 (5mm) needles, straight US8 (5mm) circular for picot edged hat Tapestry needle</p>	<p>Abbreviations: RS: right side WS: wrong side K: knit P: purl PSSO: pass slipped stitch over. Sl1: slip 1 st st(s): stitch(es) BO: bind off</p> <p>Stitch pattern: RS: Sl1, K1/KintoPSSO - Slip the first stitch, Knit the next stitch, wrap yarn around right needle again and pass the slipped stitch over both. WS: P2tog/P1st - Purl 2 stitches together, then without dropping those stitches off the left needle purl into the first stitch again.</p>
<p>Notes: For the picot edged hat a figure 8 cast on using the straight needles and the circular needles allows the decreases in the crown to be worked first. Then the remainder of the hat is knit and the edging added before the hat is sewn.</p> <p>Techniques: Folded Brim Hat: Standard cast on Mattress stitch seam Picot Edged Hat: Above techniques and also: Figure 8 cast on Cable Cast on</p>	
<p>Folded Brim hat: Using any standard method cast on 110[122, 132] sts Row 1: K1 *Sl1, K1/KintoPSSO* repeat to last st, K1 Row 2: P2tog/P1st across row Repeat rows 1 and 2 twice more. Six rows knit total. Turning Row: Knit 1 row even. Body: Row 1: K1 *Sl1, K1/KintoPSSO* repeat to last st, K1 Row 2: *P2tog/P1st* across row Repeat rows 1 and 2 until hat measures 4.5 inches, or desired length to crown. Work Crown Decreases as described below.</p>	



Picot Edged Hat:

Holding a straight needle and the circular needles parallel cast on 110[122, 132] sts using the figure eight cast on method.

Row 1: K1 *Sl1, K1/KintoPSSO* repeat to last st, K1

Row 2: *P2tog/P1st* across row

Work the crown following the directions below. After knitting thread the tail through the live stitches and pull tight but do not sew the seam.

Return to the cast on edge and re-attach yarn with the wrong side facing.

Row 1: *P2tog/P1st* across row

Row 2: K1 *Sl1, K1/KintoPSSO* repeat to last st, K1

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until hat measures 8 inches from top of crown or desired length. Work row 1 one more time, end ready to work RS.

Picot Edge:

With right side facing use cable cast on method to cast on 1 stitch. BO two stitches plus 2 more – Four stitches bound off.

Cast on 1 st, BO 4 sts repeat across brim of hat.

Break yarn and BO last st leaving 4 inch tail.

Crown:

8 to 7 decrease:

Row 1: K1 * Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1, K1, PSSO* repeat until less than 8 sts are left. *Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO* to last stitch. K1

Row 2: *P2tog/P1st* across row

Repeat rows 1 and 2 again.

6 to 5 decrease:

Row 1: K1 * Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1, K1, PSSO* repeat until less than 6 sts are left. *Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO* to last stitch. K1

Row 2: *P2tog/P1st* across row

4 to 3 decrease:

Row 1: K1 * Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO, Sl1, K1, PSSO* repeat until less than 4 sts are left.

Sl1,K1/KintoPSSO to last stitch. K1

Row 2: *P2tog/P1st* across row

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until between 30 and 40 sts are left.

Sl1, K1, PSSO across the entire row decreasing st count by half. 15-20 sts remaining.

Break yarn leaving a 16 inch tail. Thread tail through remaining live stitches and pull tight.

Both Hats:

Line up seam of hat matching fold line and bottom edge. Sew edges together with mattress stitch using the long tail. Weave in ends, block and enjoy!

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