

Horizontal Cable Hat

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YARN

Alpaca Handknitting Yarn 70% Alpaca 30%Merino 1 skein



Sized for Adult L Approx 22"

GAUGE

Needles #5 single point

Or size needed to obtain gauge

Tapestry Needle

3 stitch markers

Cable needle

21 sts x 29 rows = 4" in St st



This unisex style hat knitted in luxurious alpaca and merino is a perfect gift. The horizontal band is knitted with 3 rope cables. Stitches are then picked up for the crown. The raglan style decreases give the top of the hat a nice smooth shape.

Designer's Notes: Experienced knitters may prefer to knit in the round (without a seam). The Horizontal Band can be started using a Provisional CO, worked for 21" and joined with Kitchener St. For the Crown portion, 2 sts are included in the pattern for the seam. If knitting in the round, pick-up 108 sts and eliminate 1 st at the beg and end of each row for the Crown Shaping.

Special Abbreviations: 4 St Cable Front (4cf): SI 2 sts to CN and hold to front of work, K 2, K 2 from CN.

Begin Horizontal Band: CO 24 sts

Set-up row(WS): K 4, (P 4, K 2) 2 times, P 4, K 4

Row 1(RS): P 4, (K 4, P 2) 2 times, K 4, P4 Row 2: K 4, (P 4, K 2) 2 times, P 4, K 4 Row 3: P 4, (4cf, P 2) 2 times, 4cf, P 4

Row 4: Repeat row 2

Repeat Rows 1-4 until band is 21½" long and BO.

Crown: Along one long edge of band pick up 110 sts. Work in St st until 4" including the horizontal band.

Next row(WS): P 28, PM, (P 27, PM) 2 times, P 28.

Crown Shaping as follows:

Row 1(RS): K 2, K2tog, (K to 3 st before marker, ssk, K 1, slip marker, K 1, K2tog) 3 times,

K to last 4 st, ssk, K 2 (8 st dec).

Row 2: P

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until 22 st rem. Remove markers.

Complete Crown as follows:

Row 1: K 2, (sl 1, K2tog, psso, K 2) 4 times (14 sts).

Row 2: P

Row 3: K 1, (K2tog, K 2, ssk) 2 times, K 1 (10 sts).

Break yarn, leaving a 12" tail.

Draw through rem sts and pull tight. Use mattress st to seam hat including the horizontal band.

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COMMONLY USED KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

| beg BO | begin bind off | LH M1 | left hand make one (increase 1 stitch) | sl ssk | slip slip 1, slip1, knit 2 slipped stitches together |
|--------------|--|-------------|---|-----------|---|
| cc | contrasting color | MC | main color | st st | stockinette (stocking) stitch (1 row K, 1 row P) |
| CN | cable needle | P | purl | st(s) | stitch(es) |
| co | cast on, cast off | p2sso | pass 2 slipped stitches over | tbl | through back of loop |
| cont | continue | P2tog | purl 2 stitches together (1 stitch decreased) | tog | together |
| dec(s) | decrease(s)/decreasing | patt rep(s) | pattern repeat(s) | WS | wrong side |
| dpn | double-pointed needles | patt(s) | pattern(s) | wyib | with yarn in back |
| eor | every other row | PM | place marker | wyif | with yarn in front |
| g st | garter stitch (K every row) | psso | pass slipped stitch over | yo | yarn over |
| inc(s) | increase(s)/increasing | pwise | purlwise | yon | yarn over needle |
| K | knit | rem | remain(ing) | () | repeat instructions in parantheses number of times |
| K1, s1, psso | knit one, slip one, pass slipped stitch over | rep | repeat | | indicated |
| K2tog | knit 2 together | RH | right hand | * | repeat instructions following asterisk as indicated or |
| K2tog tbl | knit 2 together through back loop | rnd(s) | round(s) | | until end of row |
| kwise | knitwise | RS | right side | [1] | instructions in square brackets refer to larger sizes |