## Lindy's Knits and Laces

Basic Knitted Hat
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This pattern is for a basic "beanie" style hat knitted in the round using worsted weight yarn.

## Yarn Weight:

Experience Level:


Beginner / Dėbutant / Novicecia


Size: Child/Women's Small (Fits Average Head Circumference of $201 / 2$ inches)

## Finished Measurement:

$181 / 2$ inches circumference

## Materials:

Yarn 100-200 yards of Worsted Weight
Two Circular Needles (16 inch length)**; Size US 7 ( 4.5 mm ) or size needed to obtain gauge
Stitch markers
Tapestry Needle
Gauge: 20 stitches over 4 inches in St st. Take time to check gauge.
Abbreviations:

| St | Stitch |
| :--- | :--- |
| St st | Stockinette stitch |
| K | Knit |
| P | Purl |
| K2Tog | Knit two together |
| Dec | Decrease |
| Beg | Beginning |

## Directions:

Cast-on 84 stitches on one circular needle.
**You can use double point needles or the magic loop technique with a longer circular needle (32" - 40") if you prefer.

Ribbed Band: (2 X 2 Ribbing)
Join and begin $2 \times 2$ Ribbing (K2, P2) across the row. Place marker at end of round.
Continue ribbing until band measures 2 inches from the Cast-on edge.

## Body:

At beginning of next round, change to St st (K every st). Continue knitting in St st until the hat measures $61 / 2$ inches from the Cast-on edge.

## Crown:

Divide stitches into groups of 14 by placing markers after every $14^{\text {th }}$ stitch. You should have 6 groups of 14 stitches.

Round 1 (Dec): *K12, K2tog. Repeat from * around. (78 st)
Round 2: Knit around
Round 3 (Dec): *K11, K2Tog. Repeat from * around. (72 st)
Round 4: Knit around
Round 5 (Dec): *K10, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (66 st)
Round 6: Knit around
Round 7: *K9, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (60 st)
Round 8: Knit around. (Divide stitches between two circular needles at this point.**)
Round 9: *K8, K2Tog. Repeat from *around (54 st)
Round 10: *K7, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (48 st)
Round 11: *K6, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (42 st)
Round 12: *K5, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (36 st)
Round 13: *K4, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (30 st)
Round 14: *K3, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (24 st)
Round 15: *K2, K2Tog. Repeat from * around (18 st)
Round 16: *K1, K2Tog, Repeat from * around (12 st). Remove markers
Round 17: K2Tog around (6 st)

## Finishing:

Cut yarn, leaving at least 12 inches in length for weaving in end. Using tapestry needle, pull yarn through each st and remove stitches from the needles. Pull the yarn tightly to close the hole at the top of the crown and then pull the yarn to the wrong side. Weave in the yarn end and cut remaining yarn. Weave in the yarn tail at the beg round of the hat and cut the remaining yarn.

