

# Cynthia's Cool Wool Hat



Materials: Cool Wool Yarn by Lana Grossa or use any soft DK wt yarn (approx. 650 yds total). 2 Solid colors and 2 multi colors (approx. 325 yds each).

Needles: #6 – 16" circular and double points

Abbrev: PM – place marker, M1 – make one, K2tog – knit 2 together

Gauge: 6 stitches = 1" on st st

Instructions: Cast on 81 stitches in solid color. Join circle and PM at beginning of round. K2 P1 for 3 ½ inches making ribbing on the bottom of the hat.

Knit for one round.

\*(K1 M1) repeat for one round from \*. This will double the amount of stitches you have on your needle.

Change to multi color and K2 rounds then change to solid color and Knit 2 rounds until you have knitted a total of 8 inches. Continue to rotate colors carrying yarn changes up inside of hat. This way you don't have to weave in ends!

Decreasing: End with multi color, start decreasing with solid

color. \*\* Every 5<sup>th</sup> stitch K2tog. You may end up with odd number at end if off in stitches. Ok just knit few left at end of round.

Next row: K1 round solid.

K 2 rows multi colored.

Go to \*\* in decreasing and repeat 2 more times.

Solid color to finish top of hat: \*\*\*K2tog all the way around next round. Knit 1 round. Repeat at \*\*\* until approx. less than 10 stitches. Cinch up end of hat. Weave in all ends.

Embellishment: You may add beads to hat. Take a gold safety pin and straighten to add beads and twist back to original shape, then pin on brim of hat! You may have some yarn scraps left, just knit a few in here and there.

How to wear: This hat can be worn a multitude of ways! It is like a floppy tam hat. Very light weight; the band hugs around your forehead and the back of our neck. You can flop it to the right or left, let it hang in the back, get creative with the embellishment pin, or just go with the flow of the hat.



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