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# Stripey Beanie

*by Woolly Wormhead*



**Materials:**

50g/160m/175yds **each** colour A and B double knit yarn

Set 3.5mm DPN's or size needed to obtain gauge

Stitch marker as necessary

Tapestry needle

**Gauge:**

24 sts x 32 rows to 10cm/4" on 3.5mm needles over St.St

21 sts x 42 rows to 10cm/4" on 3.5mm needles over Garter St.

**Sizes:**

To fit sizes: XS (S, M, L, XL), 18 (19, 21, 22, 24) inches, 45.75 (48.25, 53.5, 55.5, 50.5) cm

Finished size: 15.25 (16.75, 18, 19.75, 21.25) inches, 38 (42, 45.75, 49.5, 53.25) cm

**Abbreviations:**

K – knit

P – purl

ssk – slip the next 2 sts knitwise then knit them together

K2tog – knit next 2 sts together

**Notes:**

This pattern is written to create garter stitch in reverse, i.e. create an 'inside out' effect - if you prefer a smooth change between the 2 colours and have the look of the 'right side', work one round less after casting on (i.e. 8 rnds before changing to colour B) and continue to work as set **except** the colour change will happen *after* a purl round.

You could use a technique to reduce the jog between stripes, but as you are working garter stitch in the round a slight seam is unavoidable. I broke the yarn with each colour change, and used the loose ends when weaving in to neaten up the seam, which in turn helped reduce the jog.

This pattern is easily adapted for knitting back & forth on straight needles, i.e. knitted flat. Wherever there are instructions to purl rounds, knit that row instead - garter stitch worked flat is knit every row. Mattress stitch is recommended for seaming a flat Hat this way.

**How to:**

With colour A and using the cable cast-on method, cast on 80 [88, 96, 104, 112] sts

Join in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

Place stitch marker to indicate start of rnd.

**Body:**

The stitch pattern for this Hat is garter stitch in the round, and is created as follows:

*Rnd 1:* Purl all sts

*Rnd 2:* Knit all sts

Starting with a purl rnd, work 9 rnds of pattern (*ending after a knit rnd*) in colour A

Change to colour B and work 6 rnds of pattern (*ending after a knit rnd*)

Change to colour A and work 8 rnds of pattern (*ending after a knit rnd*)

Continue working in stripes (6 rnds B then 8 rnds A) until work measures 3.75 [4.25, 4.75, 5.25, 5.75] inches/ 9.5 [10.75, 12, 13.25, 14.5] cm (*or desired length*), ending after a purl round. (*all shaping for the crown is worked on knit rounds to make it less visible*)

### **Crown shaping:**

Keeping stripe pattern continuous, XS size jump to Rnd 9, S size jump to Rnd 7, M size jump to Rnd 5, L size jump to Rnd 3 and XL size start at Rnd 1.

*Rnd 1: \*K12, ssk, K2tog, K12; rpt from \* to end [104 sts]*

*Rnd 2: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 3: \*K11, ssk, K2tog, K11; rpt from \* to end [96sts]*

*Rnd 4: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 5: \*K10, ssk, K2tog, K10; rpt from \* to end [88 sts]*

*Rnd 6: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 7: \*K9, ssk, K2tog, K9; rpt from \* to end [80 sts]*

*Rnd 8: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 9: \*K8, ssk, K2tog, K8; rpt from \* to end [72 sts]*

*Rnd 10: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 11: \*K7, ssk, K2tog, K7; rpt from \* to end [64 sts]*

*Rnd 12: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 13: \*K6, ssk, K2tog, K6; rpt from \* to end [56 sts]*

*Rnd 14: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 15: \*K5, ssk, K2tog, K5; rpt from \* to end [48 sts]*

*Rnd 16: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 17: \*K4, ssk, K2tog, K4; rpt from \* to end [40 sts]*

*Rnd 18: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 19: \*K3, ssk, K2tog, K3; rpt from \* to end [32 sts]*

*Rnd 20: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 21: \*K2, ssk, K2tog, K2; rpt from \* to end [24 sts]*

*Rnd 22: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 23: \*K1, ssk, K2tog, K1; rpt from \* to end [16 sts]*

*Rnd 24: Purl all sts*

*Rnd 25: \*ssk, K2tog; rpt from \* to end [8 sts]*

Break yarn and draw through remaining 8 sts, tighten to close. A pom-pom is optional, but does finish this Hat nicely! Colour B makes a good contrasting yarn for the pom-pom.

### **Finishing:**

Weave in all ends. Blocking isn't necessary.

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