

Declan's Hat

A cabled hat for everyone.

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Size:

From infant to large adult.

Materials:

Any worsted weight yarn. Samples are shown in Brooklyn Tweed Shelter and a 3 ply handspun.

Adult Large hat needs 62 grams, Medium 52 grams, Small 38 grams, Infant 30.

Needles:

Size 6 (4 mm) 16" circular needle, or size needed to get gauge.

Gauge:

22 stitches to 4 inches in unstretched 2 x 2 rib stitch.

Tools:

One stitch marker and tapestry needle.

Notes:

Because of the ribbing and cables this hat is super stretchy, so don't worry too much about gauge. It is very forgiving. The adult large size means it is LARGE. If you have dreads, a big head, or lots of hair this is the hat for you. If you have an average sized head, knit the medium, it will fit you well. The small size is perfect for kids from about 3-5. And the infant? I would say from about 3 months to a year.

You can also adjust the length by knitting more or less ribbing on the bottom. For example, if you have an 8 year old child you could either knit the size small and add another inch or two of ribbing, or make the medium with less ribbing.

You could even choose to go wild and knit enough ribbing to create a turned up brim. Just keep in mind you will need more yarn.

To begin:

Cast on 80 stitches for infant, 96 stitches for small, 112 stitches for medium, or 128 stitches for adult large. Join to knit in the round.

To knit from chart begin at row 1, repeating 5 (6, 7, 8) times for each row. You will knit row 1 (or knit 2, purl 2) for 1.5 (2, 2.5, 3, 3.5) inches, or until desired ribbing length is achieved.

Then proceed on chart.

To knit from line by line directions follow pattern below repeating 5 (6, 7, 8) times for each row, knitting row 1 as directed above.

For both methods when finished thread needle through remaining stitches.

Chart .:

Round 1: (k2, p2) x 4.

Round 2: k2, p2, k2, p3, M1 purlwise, p3, k2, p2.

Round 3: k2, p2, k2, p7, k2, p2.

Round 4: k2, p2, k2, p7, k2, p2.

Round 5: k2, p2, k2, p7, k2, p2.

Round 6: k2, p2, k2, p7, k2, p2.

Round 7: k2, p2, 2/1 LPC, p5, 2/1 RPC, p2.

Round 8: k2, p3, k2, p5, k2, p3.

Round 9: k2, p3, 2/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, p3.

Round 10: k2, p4, k2, p3, k2, p4.

Round 11: k2, p4, 2/1 LPC, p1, 2/1 RPC, p4.

Round 12: k2, p5, k2, p1, k2, p5.

Round 13: k2, p5, 2/1/2 LPC, p5.

Round 14: k2, p5, k2, p1, k2, p5.

Round 15: k2, p4, 2/1 RPC, p1, 2/1 LPC, p4.

Round 16: k2, p4, k2, p3, k2, p4.

Round 17: k2, p3, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, p3.

Round 18: k2, p3, k2, p5, k2, p3.

Round 19: k2, p3, k2, p5, k2, p3.

Round 20: k2, p3, k2, p5, k2, p3.

Round 21: k2, p3, 2/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, p3.

Round 22: k2, p4, k2, p3, k2, p4.

Round 23: k2, p4, 2/1 LPC, p1, 2/1 RPC, p4.

Round 24: k2, p5, k2, p1, k2, p5.

Round 25: k2, p5, 2/1/2 LPC, p5.

Round 26: k2, p5, k2, p1, k2, p5.

Round 27: k2, p4, 2/1 RPC, p1, 2/1 LPC, p4.

Round 28: k2, p4, k2, p3, k2, p4.

Round 29: k2, p4, k2, p3, k2, p4.

Round 30: k2, p2tog, p2, k2, p3, k2, p2, p2tog.

Round 31: k2, p3, 2/1 LPC, p1, 2/1 RPC, p3.

Round 32: k2, p4, ssk, p1, k2tog, p4.

Round 33: k2, p4, cddp, p4.

Round 34: k2, p9.

Round 35: k2, p2tog, p5, p2tog.

Round 36: k2, p7.

Round 37: k2, p2tog, p3, p2tog.

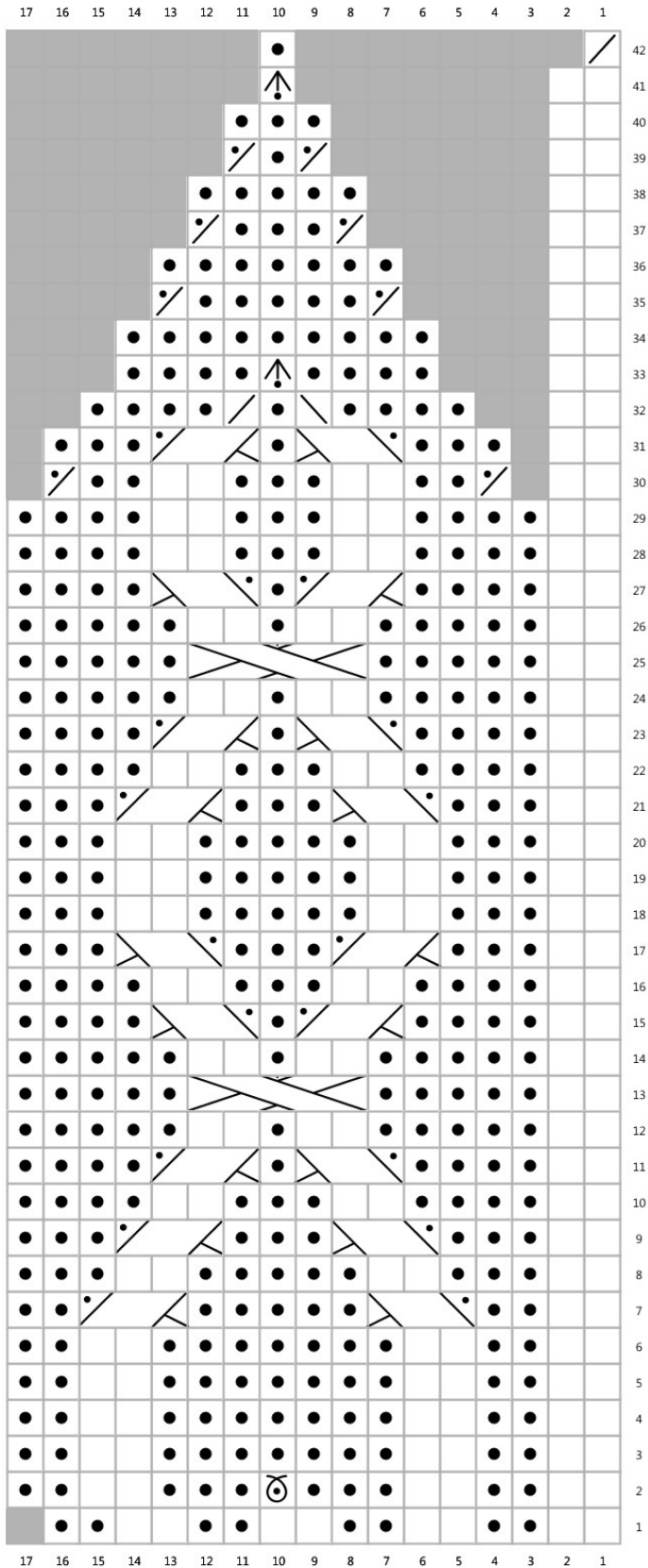
Round 38: k2, p5.

Round 39: k2, p2tog, p1, p2tog.












Round 40: k2, p3.

Round 41: k2, cddp.

Round 42: k2tog, p1.



Key

-  knit
-  purl
-  grey no stitch
-  2/1/2 LPC
-  2/1 RPC
-  2/1 LPC
-  k2tog
-  ssk
-  Central double decrease purl
-  p2tog
-  M1 purlwise

To help decipher the chart coding I've included a brief description of each cable:

$2/1$ LPC: Slide two stitches to cable needle and hold in front. Purl next stitch, then knit two stitches on cable needle.

$2/1$ RPC: Slide stitch to cable needle and hold to back. Knit next two stitches, then purl stitch on cable needle.

$2/1/2$ LPC: Slide two stitches to cable needle and hold in front. Slip next stitch on second cable needle and hold to back. Knit next two stitches, purl stitch on cable needle from back, then knit two stitches from cable needle in front.

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