



# The Happy Hat

Size 11 knitting needles (Worsted or 4-weight yarn, less than one skein)

PATTERN: Cast on 55 stitches.

Work K3, P2 ribbing for 2 inches. K3, P2 across each row.

(Feel free to use a different rib stitch if you prefer, or use a garter stitch pattern for the brim if you would like).

Begin Stamen Stitch Pattern:

Row 1: Knit across

Row 2: K1, K1, \*slip 1 purl-wise (yarn at back), K1\*; repeat from \* to \* to last stitch. End with a K1

Row 3: Knit across

Row 4: \*K1, slip 1 purl-wise (yarn at back)\*; Repeat from \* to \* across the row

Continue pattern Rows 1 – 4 until the piece measures 8 inches.

Decrease the crown as follows:

Row 1: \*K3, K2tog\*; Repeat from \* to \* across row

Row 2: K1, \*K1, slip 1 purl-wise\*; repeat from \* to \* across row, ending with a K1

Row 3: \*K2, K2tog\*; Repeat from \* to \* across row

Row 4: \*K1, slip 1 purl-wise (yarn to the back)\*; Repeat from \* to \* across row

Row 5: \*K1, K2tog\*; Repeat from \* to \* across row

Row 6: K1, \*slip 1 purl-wise (yarn to the back), K1\*; Repeat from \* to \* to last stitch, K1

Row 7: K2tog across row Cut working yarn leaving a 12-inch tail.

Thread yarn through live stitches on the needle and cinch closed. Sew seam, weave in loose ends and enjoy.