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Ribbed Stocking Hat



Worsted weight yarn, approx. 150 -200 yds (2 colors for stripes or variegated)

One 16" circular needle, size 8, or size suggested for yarn

One set double-pointed needles, size 8, or the same as circular needle

CO 72, 76, 80, or 84 sts. (multiples of 4) Join in the round, being careful not to twist stitches.

(Try this: Cast on one extra stitch. When joining in the round for the first row, knit together the last cast on stitch with the first cast on stitch. This makes a firm join without the usual "gap".)

Place marker at beg of round.

Next Rnd: *K2, p2; rep from * to marker.

Continue with this pattern until the hat measures 8" for hat without cuff, or 11" for hat with cuff.

Decrease Rounds (change to double-pointed needles when there are too few sts for circular needle)

Rnd 1: *K2, p2tog; rep from * to marker.

Rnd 2: *K2, p1; rep from * to marker.

Rnd 3: *K2tog, p1; rep from * to marker.

Rnd 4: *K1, p1; rep from * to marker.

Rnd 5: K2tog for complete round to marker.

Rnd 6: K to marker.

Break yarn, leaving a 10" tail. Thread tail through remaining sts and pull tightly. Secure to keep crown tight. Weave in all ends.