

YOU WILL NEED

1 x 200g **EARTH** – British Wool (63m/100g)
5 x 6mm double-pointed needles
Sewing-up needle

TENSION/GAUGE: 12sts to 10cm over stocking stitch

FINISHED SIZE: 48cm, (19") round brim, 68cm, (27") around main hat, 28cm, (11") deep.

ABBREVIATIONS

k: knit

Rnd: round

R: row

st(s): stitch(es)

yo: yarn over, starting at front of work pass yarn over the right-hand needle to back. When you reach the yo on next row, work as directed.

k2tog: knit/purl 2sts together as one st



ONE MUST SEEK SOLUTIONS THAT ARE ENGAGING AND VISUALLY INSPIRING



CAST ON 56STS and divide equally between 4 of your 5 double-pointed needles. Join into a circle by knitting with 5th needle into first needle of cast on sts.

Rnd1 - Rnd7: k to end of rnd

INCREASE ROUNDS

Rnd1: k1, yo, (k4, yo), repeat to last 3sts, k3

Rnd2: k1, k1 into back of yo (k4, k into back of yo), repeat to end
Continue in stocking stitch (all rounds k) until work measures 20cm from cast on edge.

Working less than this your hat will not be slouchy. If you want a really deep hat continue for a few more rnds.

DECREASE ROUNDS

(k12, k2tog), repeat to end of rnd

(k11, k2tog), repeat to end of rnd

(k10, k2tog), repeat to end of rnd

(k9, k2tog), repeat to end of rnd

Continue decreasing in this way 5sts per rnd, keeping the continuity of the emerging spiral, until 5sts remain.

This process is easier if you now and then move some of the sts from one needle to another while decreasing. Otherwise you will sometimes be trying to knit together one st from each of two needles.

FINISH OFF

Break yarn leaving 15cm (6in), thread tail of yarn through sts, pull-up and sew neatly on wrong-side.

For 'stalk on the apple', continue working as follows:

STALK (TOP OF HAT)

Next rnd: k2tog, k2tog, k1

I-CORD (OR IDIOT CORD)

Rnd1: with right-side facing put the 3sts on one needle, take a second needle, pass the yarn behind the sts into your right hand, k3.

Rnd2: transfer the needle with the sts on into your left-hand, pass the yarn behind the sts and into the right-hand, k3.

Work these 2 rnds 4 more times, if you want to tie it into a knot work more rnds. Break yarn and finish off as described above. Sew the cast-on neatly into wrong-side of work.

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CHEEKY APPLE HAT

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the HAND WASH

Hand-wash (recommended)

Wash and rinse in lukewarm (30°C) water with mild soap, make sure garment is completely covered - no rubbing or scrubbing.

Squeeze out excess water.

Roll in a clean towel.

*Dry flat and reshape whilst damp - if this is not possible make sure garment is hung up to dry without distorting the shape (take particular notice of the shoulders).

Do not tumble dry.

Iron on a cool setting.

the MACHINE WASH

Place in a pillowcase or net bag.

Use a mild detergent.

Select a delicate cycle (no spin) with a temperature up to 30°C.

Follow hand-wash instructions above from * onwards.

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**EVERY
KNITTER
KNITS**

DIFFERENTLY

WHAT IS GAUGE? (also referred to as *Tension*) - Means stitches per cm (or inch) – usually per 10cm (4"). It will be different depending on the yarn, needle size, individual knitter, and stitch pattern.

the IMPORTANCE of GAUGE - If you don't know your gauge, you will not know what size your piece will be. Even ½ a stitch per cm off can make a difference. Also your knitting tension can change over time, according to how you knit, or even your mood.

NEEDLE SIZE - **it's hugely significant** - 10 knitters working with identical yarn and needles will knit at least 10 different amount of stitches per cm. **When working a pattern, it is NOT the needle size that matters - it is the GAUGE or TENSION.** Belinda Harris-Reid or her Guests Designers may knit more tightly or loosely than you, so the size of needle recommended might be too large or too small for YOU. When you begin knitting a project from one of our patterns **please knit a small swatch – it will only take a few minutes.**

the SMALL SWATCH - Cast on 20sts and work 10 rows in stocking stitch. Lay the piece of knitting on a flat surface and measure how many stitches you are getting per 10cms. If you are getting more than the pattern states go up a needle size if you are getting less go down a needle size.