

The Technical Stuff

This slouchy, comfy hat is the perfect project for that one skein of sock yarn that is way too special to put on your feet. Fair warning: there is miles of stockinette stitch, so this makes for great TV, travel or zen knitting.

The hat is simply constructed from the bottom to the crown. It is made up of a wide ribbed brim that folds up for extra warmth while the rest flops and folds over. The body of the hat is knit on short circular needles and the crown is closed up with double-pointed needles.

This seamless, unisex hat now has seven sizes (baby to adult extra-large). The pattern is very versatile, so go ahead and get creative!



Skill Level

Rookie-Apprentice-Virtuoso-Genius

Skills knit, purl, decreases

Sizes baby, child, teen, adult small, medium, large, extra-large

Finished Measurements

- adult medium is approx 23 cm/9" wide and 35 cm/14" tall lying flat (unfolded); see chart on page 2 for other sizes

Gauge

- approx 32 sts and 46 rows = 10 cm/4" in St stitch on 3 mm/US 2.5
- approx 28 sts = 10 cm/4" in St st on 2.75 mm/US 2 as given on ball band

Yarn fingering weight alpaca blend

Suggested Brand

- 1 skein Misti Alpaca Hand Paint Sock Yarn
- 50% alpaca, 30% merino, 10% nylon, 10% silk
- 400 m (437 yds) per 100 g
- shown in colour 07 Miriam (shown on page 3, top)

Note: You may use any 100 g skein of fingering/sock /4-ply yarn...see chart on page 2 for amounts.

Needles

- 3 mm 40 cm (US 2.5 16") circs
 - 3 mm 40 cm (US 2.5) dpns
- or size needed to obtain gauge

Notes: US 2.5 needles can be hard to find - you can use a US 3 instead. Some knitters prefer to use a smaller size needle for the ribbed brim only (like a 2.5 mm/US 2).

Other Materials

- tapestry needle or teeny crochet hook (for weaving in ends), stitch marker



Instructions

Note: See chart below for help with sizing, etc.
The “classic” Sockhead Hat is **adult medium**.

Brim

Beginning at bottom with circs CO **112 (baby), 120 (child), 128 (teen), 136 (adult small), 144 (medium), 152 (large), 160 (extra-large)** sts (or a multiple of 8) with long-tail method (or any preferred method). A *multiple of 8 sts is required to make the decs work out.*

Join in the rnd being careful not to twist sts. Pm for BOR. Sl m throughout.

Baby, child, teen: Work K2, P2 rib for 7.5 cm/3“.

Adult small: Work K2, P2 rib for 9 cm/3.5“.

Medium, large, extra-large: Work K2, P2 rib for 10 cm/4“.

Note: At this point, the hat may look really small, but the ribbing is very stretchy.

Body (Stockinette stitch)

Notes: Change to a larger size needle now if you used a smaller size for the ribbing.

If you prefer a less slouchy hat, make this section a few inches shorter.

Work in St st (knit every st) for approx **13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25** cm/5, 6, 7, 7.5, 8, 9, 10”.

Hat measures approx **20, 23, 25, 28, 30, 33, 36** cm/8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14” long total from CO.

Size	# of CO sts	inches of ribbing	inches of St st	total inches before decs	finished width	fits head size	grams used	yards used
Baby (0-12 mos)	112	3	5	8	7”	17”	35	155
Child (1-7 yrs)	120	3	6	9	7.5”	18”	45	195
Teen (8-12 yrs)	128	3	7	10	8”	19”	55	240
Small	136	3.5	7.5	11	8.5”	20”	65	285
Medium	144	4	8	12	9”	21”	75	330
Large	152	4	9	13	9.5”	22”	85	370
Extra-Large	160	4	10	14	10”	23”	95	415

Note: All measurements and amounts are approximate and very dependent on gauge and yarn choice.

Decreases

Notes: Change to dpns when sts become too tight on circs.

You will be decreasing **14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20** sts every third rnd until otherwise stated.

Rnd 1: *K6, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 2-3: Knit. **98, 105, 112, 119, 126, 133, 140** sts.

Rnd 4: *K5, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 5-6: Knit. **84, 90, 96, 102, 108, 114, 120** sts.

Rnd 7: *K4, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 8-9: Knit. **70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100** sts.

Rnd 10: *K3, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 11-12: Knit. **56, 60, 64, 68, 72, 76, 80** sts.

Rnd 13: *K2, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 14-15: Knit. **42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57, 60** sts.

Decs are now worked every other rnd.

Rnd 16: *K1, K2tog*, rep from * to * to end of rnd.

Rnd 17: Knit. **28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40** sts.

Rnd 18: K2tog to end of rnd.

Rnd 19: Knit. **14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20** sts.

Rnd 20: K2tog to end of rnd (for sizes **child, small** and **large** end with a K1).

Rnd 21: Knit. **7, 8, 8, 9, 9, 10, 10** sts.

Cut yarn. Pull through rem sts and tie off. Weave in ends. Block if desired. Enjoy!



Abbreviations

BOR = beginning of round
circ(s) = circular needle(s)
CO = cast on
dpn(s) = double pointed needle(s)
dec(s) = decrease(s)
K = knit
K2tog = knit two stitches together (decrease)
m = marker
P = purl
patt = pattern
pm = place marker
rem = remaining
rep = repeat
rnd(s) = round(s)
sl m = slip marker
st(s) = stitche(s)
St st = stockinette stitch / stocking stitch
tog = together



Hope you enjoyed the pattern.
 Thanks from Bohoknits!

#sockheadhat

