ELF HAT CARIBE

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Celebrate the Caribbean with an oversized hat and "dread locks".

Size

Finished size of completed ornament is approximately 3 to 5 inches.

Materials

Small amounts of fingering weight yarns. Samples knit in Knit Picks Palette, colors red, yellow, green and black. 1 set US Size 1 (2.25mm) needles

Gauge

8 sts = 1" over stockinette stitch

HAT

With black yarn cast on 52 sts. Divide onto double point needles. Join into the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Rnds 1 – 4: (k1, p1), repeat to end of round

Rnd 5: (k1, knit thru the front and back of the next stitch), repeat to end of round = 78 sts.

Rnd 6: knit

Rnd 7: purl

Rnd 8: knit

Break black yarn leaving a 6" tail to weave in later. Add red yarn.

Rnds 9 & 10: knit

Rnd 11: purl

Rnds 12 & 13: knit

Rnd 14: purl

Rnd 15: knit

Break red yarn and add yellow yarn.

Repeat rounds 9 thru 15.

Break yellow yarn, add green yarn.

Repeat rounds 9 thru 15.

Break green yarn and add black yarn.

Decrease Rounds

Rnd 1: knitRnd 2: (k10, s2, k1, p2sso), repeat to end of round = 66 stsRnd 3: purlRnd 4: knitRnd 5: k9, s2, k1, p2sso, *(k8, s2, k1, p2sso)*, repeat from * to * to last 10 sts, k8, s2, knit the first stof the next round and p2sso = 54 sts©Copyright Terry Liann Morris 2009Mttp://www.ravelry.com/designers/terry-morrisLift Hat Caribe, page 1



ABBREVIATIONS	
k	Knit
р	Purl
S	slip
p2sso	Pass 2 slipped sts over

Rnd 6: purl Rnd 7: k7, s2, k1, p2sso, *(k6, s2, k1, p2sso)*, repeat from * to * to last 8 sts, k6, s2, knit the first st of the next round and p2sso = 42 sts Rnd 8: knit Rnd 9: k5, s2, k1, p2sso, *(k4, s2, k1, p2sso)*, repeat from * to * to last 6 sts, k4, s2, knit the first st of the next round and p2sso = 30sts Rnd 10: knit Rnd 11: k3, s2, k1, p2sso, *(k2 s2, k1, p2sso)*, repeat from * to * to last 4 sts, k2, s2, knit the first st of the next round and p2sso = 18 sts Rnd 12: knit Rnd 13: k1, s2, k1, p2sso, *(s2, k1, p2sso)*, repeat from * to * to last 2 sts, s2, knit the first st of the next round and p2sso = 6 sts

Break yarn leaving a 6" tail and thread this tail through the remaining stitches. Secure yarn tail. Weave in all yarn tails.

Dread Locks

Break off 2 pieces of black yarn each about 8 to 12" long. Make as many as you want. Hold these 2 strands together and fold in half staggering the ends. Wet thoroughly with water and rub briskly and roughly between the palms of your hand to felt.

Sew looped end to inside of hat brim at back neck of hat.