'PENSIVE GREEN'
HEADBAND

#knittingponchik

MATERIALS

3mm Circular Needles

GREEN YARN - Half of a ball/50g of Marriner Double Knit (Sh 91) 100% Acrylic (1 ball = 100g)

YELLOW YARN - Half of a ball/50g of Marriner Double Knit (Sh 70) 100% Acrylic (1 ball = 100g)

Stitch Marker

Scissors

Tape Measure

TECHNIQUES YOU NEED TO KNOW (for beginner knitters)

*Note: if you need help, I have free video tutorials for ALL of the techniques on my Youtube channel 'Knitting Ponchik'.

We are using Circular Needles for this project therefore we are knitting in a 'Round' as opposed to knitting in 'Rows' (keep that in mind as the whole pattern & stitches written for circular knitting in case you decide to knit in Rows).

Abbreviations
k - knit
p - purl
sts - stitches
k2tog - knit 2 stitches together
p2tog - purl 2 stitches together

<u>Cast On</u>
I am using a 'Long tailed' Cast On for this project.

<u>Rib Stitch</u>
I am using a 2x2 Rib Stitch, which is *k2,p2*. This means we are knitting 2 stitches, then purling two stitches; we repeat this sequence for the whole Round.

<u>Box Stitch</u> (see a tutorial called 'Box Stitch using circular needles' on my Youtube Channel 'Knitting Ponchik' under 'Knitting Stitches' Playlist

Round 1 - *slip 2 stitches purlwise (as if you are about to purl, put the yarn at the front (therefore 'boxing' the two slipped stitches), purl 2 stitches* , repeat the sequence between **

Round 2 - *k2,p2*, meaning we knit 2 stitches, then purl 2 stitches; then repeat the sequence between **

<u>Casting Off</u>
I am using a 'Rib Stitch' Cast Off. This means for all knit stitches I cast off by transferring the yarn between two stitches and knit 2 through the back loop. For all purl stitches I cast off by transferring the yarn between two stitches and purl 2 stitches.

TIP: Please make a tension swatch to make sure your knitting has the same measurements as the pattern. To make a swatch knit a sample of more than 10cm/4" length and 10cm/4" width. Then measure it against the GAUGE given below by counting the stitches & rows in your 10cmx10cm sample.

SIZE *may vary depending on head size

width - 56 cm/22 inches
height - 15.5 cm/6 inches

GAUGE

<u>Rib Stitch</u>
10cm/4" = 20 stitches
10cm/4" = 30 rows

<u>Box Stitch</u>
10cm/4" = 20 stitches
10cm/4" = 40 rows

KNITTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Using **GREEN YARN** CAST ON 128 stitches. Join your Round and place a marker (to mark the beginning of your Round).

2. RIB STITCH 2x2 - *k2,p2* = for 5cm (or 15 rows)

3. BOX STITCH (we are using both **YELLOW & GREEN YARN** here):

   Round 1 - ***(GREEN)** yarn to the front of the work, slip 2 stitches purlwise , 'Box' 2 slipped stitches by bringing **(GREEN)** yarn to the back, **(YELLOW)** p2* x32 times

   Round 2 - **(YELLOW YARN FOR THE WHOLE ROW)** -*k2,p2*

(TIP: you can leave green yarn this one round as we will come back to it again in the next round (Round 1); when repeating Round 1 we can pick it up again)

   knit in Box Stitch for 4cm (or 16 rows)

4. you can finish with the yellow yarn now (cut the yarn leaving a 10-15cm end for weaving in), from this point knit only in **GREEN** yarn:
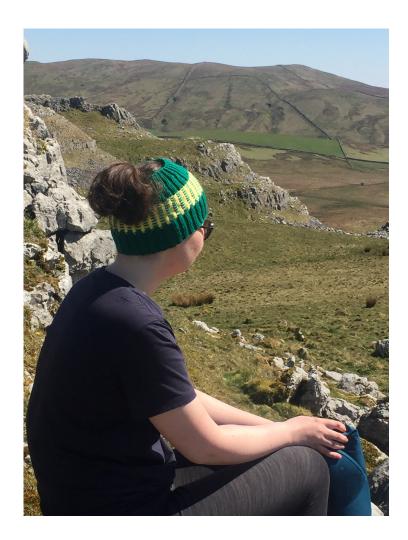
RIB STITCH 2x2 - *k2,p2* for 4 rows

5. DECREASES

5.1 *k2,p2tog* x 32 times = 96 sts
    then 3 rows of *k2,p1* x 32

5.2 *k2tog,p1* x32 = 64 sts
    then 7 rows of *k1,p1* x 32 sts

6. CAST OFF

Thank you for purchasing this pattern!

I would love to see your finished headband so please share a picture with me by tagging me @knitting_ponchik and using the hashtag #knittingponchik on Instagram.

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