

Lazy Susan Beanie



I love knitting stripes. Changing colors back and forth keeps my interest, even when making a super simple project like this beanie. But, I am utterly lazy. I absolutely detest stopping my flow of knitting to attach and reattach new balls of yarn. And weaving in all those thousands of tiny ends at the end of a project is pretty much the worst. The Lazy Susan Beanie avoids both of these issues by working both colors at the same time, knitting them in a spiral pattern that ends up looking like perfect one-row stripes (get it? Lazy Susan? Because it spins and is for lazy people... like me).

Also, this pattern is a great way to experiment with color and dyeing your own yarn. I knit the sample with a turquoise variegated yarn and a dark purple/black semi-solid which I dyed using food coloring. (You can [read my blog](#) for more information about dyeing yarn with food coloring.) Try using different color combos for different results!

Materials:

- Patons Classic Wool Worsted, or other worsted weight yarn in two colors.
- Size 8 double-pointed needles (a set of 5)
- Scissors and a tapestry needle for finishing

Gauge: 16.5 sts and 26.5 rows per 4 inches in stockinet

Size: One size fits most adults

Instructions:

- Cast on 80 stitches with Main Color. Divide stitches evenly between four needles (20 sts per needle), and join to work in the round.
- [K2, P2] around for 5 rounds.
- Knit 1 round even.
- Begin knitting the spiral (If you need help, see [my blog](#) for more detailed instructions):
 - Step 1: Set aside MC, but don't break the yarn. Begin knitting with Contrast Color. Knit across three needles (60 stitches).
 - Step 2: Set aside CC, but don't break the yarn. Pick up MC and continue knitting from where you stopped. Knit two needles (40 stitches).
- Step 3: Set aside MC, but don't break the yarn. Pick up CC and continue knitting from where you stopped. Knit two needles (40 stitches).
- Continue repeating steps 2 and 3 until your hat measures 5 inches from the cast on edge. Begin the decreases for the crown, while still working the spiral. All decreases will be worked in MC. Knit all CC evenly.



- Crown (remember, these decreases should only be worked when you are knitting with the MC!)
 - Round 1: (k8, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 2: (k7, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 3: (k6, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 4: (k5, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 5: (k4, k2tog) 8 times
 - After you complete the decreases on round 5, knit the CC yarn to the beginning of the row and cut CC.
 - Round 6: (k3, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 7: (k2, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 8: (k1, k2tog) 8 times
 - Round 9: k2tog 8 times



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