



Halcyon Yarn & Caps for Kids

Caps for Kids is a nation-wide organization dedicated to keeping kids warm during the winter months. The program began in 1984 at a small yarn store in California. Knitters with odd skeins and leftover yarn began knitting hats and distributing them locally. In the first year, they collected 600 hats. Since then Caps for Kids has grown. The hats, mittens and scarves we collect at Halcyon Yarn are distributed through the Salvation Army and the Elks' Santa Fund to needy kids in the midcoast Maine area. We encourage you to start the Caps for Kids tradition in your area. You will find the free Caps for Kids patterns on our website halcyonyarn.com.

Worsted Weight Rolled Brim Cap

Materials: approximately 4 oz worsted weight knitting yarn and 8 inch double pointed needles, US size 6 (Alternately, 16" circular size 6 circular and switch to double point needles for decreasing.)

Gauge: 5 stiches/inch

Sizes: small (18 inches around), large (20 inches around)

Cast on 90 (100) stitches. Use stitch marker to mark beginning.

Knit for 6 (7) inches. Add stripes, flecks, or designs, if desired.

Decrease as follows:

round 1: knit 8, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 2 and all even rounds: knit around

round 3: knit 7, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 5: knit 6, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 7: knit 5, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 9: knit 4, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 11: knit 3, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 13: knit 2, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 15: knit 1, k2tog (repeat around to end)

Finish: Break yarn leaving a long tail. Using a large eye yarn needle draw the tail through the remaining stitches and weave in the ends.

Bulky Weight Rolled Brim Cap

Materials: approximately 4 oz bulky weight knitting yarn and 8 inch double pointed needles, US size 10 (Alternately, 16" circular size 10 and switch to double point needles for decreasing.)

Gauge: 3.5 stiches/inch

Sizes: small (17 inches around), large (20 inches around)

Cast on 60 (70) stitches. Use stitch marker to mark beginning.

Knit for 6 (7) inches. Add stripes, flecks, or designs, if desired.

Decrease as follows:

round 1: knit 8, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 2 and all even rounds: knit around

round 3: knit 7, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 5: knit 6, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 7: knit 5, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 9: knit 4, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 11: knit 3, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 13: knit 2, k2tog (repeat around to end)

round 15: knit 1, k2tog (repeat around to end)

Finish: Break yarn leaving a long tail. Using a large eye yarn needle draw the tail through the remaining stitches and weave in the ends.

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