



Samson Bonnet

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Materials: appx 60-120yd dk weight yarn (I used madelinetosh Dream Alpaca DK), size 7 (4.5mm) and 6 (4mm) straight needles (or size needed to obtain gauge), cable needle, stitch markers

Gauge: appx 5sts/inch in your smaller needle size *Gauge is very important!*

Sizes (appx finished head circumference) : newborn (13ins), 0-3mths (14 ins), 3-6mths (15ins), 6-12mths (16ins), 1-3yrs (17ins)

Stitch Key

K - knit

p - purl

sl - slip

K2tog - knit 2 stitches together

fpc - sl 2sts onto cable needle, hold in front, k2, p2 from cable needle

rpc - sl 2sts onto cable needle, hold in back, p2, k2 from cable needle

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NEWBORN

Cast on 62sts in larger sized needle.

Row 1 (wrong side) - k2, p2, k4, p2 [k2, p2, k4, p2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 2 (right side) - k4, p4, k2 [p2, k2, p4, k2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 3 - Repeat row 1

Row 4 - Repeat row 2

Row 5 - Repeat row 1

Row 6 - k2, fpc, rpc [p2, fpc, rpc] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Repeat rows 1-6 across until your work measure appx 4ins from cast on ending after completing an odd (wrong side) row. Place stitch markers on either end of your last row.

DECREASES

Using your smaller sized needles decrease as follows:

Row 1 - k1 [k2tog, k4] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (52sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 3 - k1 [k2tog, k3] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (42sts)

Row 4 - Purl across

Row 5 - k1 [k2tog, k2] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (32sts)

Row 6 - Purl across

Row 7 - k1 [k2tog, k1] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (22sts)

Row 8 - Purl across

Row 9 - k1 [k2tog] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (12sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the back tight. Using this end sew the crown together to your stitch markers. (I like to use the mattress stitch since it is nearly invisible). Weave in ends. Cut 2 pieces of dk yarn approximately 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends through this loop.

0-3 MONTHS

Cast on 67sts in larger sized needle.

Row 1 (wrong side) - k2, p2, k4, p2 [k3, p2, k4, p2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 2 (right side) - k4, p4, k2 [p3, k2, p4, k2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 3 - Repeat row 1

Row 4 - Repeat row 2

Row 5 - Repeat row 1

Row 6 - k2, fpc, rpc [p3, fpc, rpc] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Repeat rows 1-6 across until your work measure appx 4.5ins from cast on ending after completing an odd (wrong side) row. Place stitch markers on either end of your last row.

DECREASES

Using your smaller sized needles decrease as follows:

Row 1 - k1 [k2tog, k4] repeat from [to] across (56sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 3 - k1 [k2tog, k3] repeat from [to] across (43sts)

Row 4 - Purl across

Row 5 - k1 [k2tog, k2] repeat from [to] across (34sts)

Row 6 - Purl across

Row 7 - k1 [k2tog, k1] repeat from [to] across (23sts)

Row 8 - Purl across

Row 9 - k1 [k2tog] repeat from [to] across (12sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the back tight. Using this end sew the crown together to your stitch markers. (I like to use the mattress stitch since it is nearly invisible). Weave in ends. Cut 2 pieces of dk yarn approximately 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends through this loop.

3-6 MONTHS

Cast on 72sts in larger sized needle.

Row 1 (wrong side) - k2, p2, k4, p2 [k2, p2, k4, p2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 2 (right side) - k4, p4, k2 [p2, k2, p4, k2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 3 - Repeat row 1

Row 4 - Repeat row 2

Row 5 - Repeat row 1

Row 6 - k2, fpc, rpc [p2, fpc, rpc] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Repeat rows 1-6 across until your work measure appx 5ins from cast on ending after completing an odd (wrong side) row. Place stitch markers on either end of your last row.

DECREASES

Using your smaller sized needles decrease as follows:

Row 1 - k1 [k2tog, k5] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (62sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 3 - k1 [k2tog, k4] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (52sts)

Row 4 - Purl across

Row 5 - k1 [k2tog, k3] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (42sts)

Row 6 - Purl across

Row 7 - k1 [k2tog, k2] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (32sts)

Row 8 - Purl across

Row 9 - k1 [k2tog, k1] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (22sts)

Row 10 - Purl across

Row 11 - k1 [k2tog] repeat from [to] across to last stitch, k1 (12sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the back tight. Using this end sew the crown together to your stitch markers. (I like to use the mattress stitch since it is nearly invisible). Weave in ends. Cut 2 pieces of dk yarn approximately 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends through this loop.

6-12 MONTHS

Cast on 78sts in larger sized needle.

Row 1 (wrong side) - k2, p2, k4, p2 [k3, p2, k4, p2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 2 (right side) - k4, p4, k2 [p3, k2, p4, k2] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Row 3 - Repeat row 1

Row 4 - Repeat row 2

Row 5 - Repeat row 1

Row 6 - k2, fpc, rpc [p3, fpc, rpc] repeat from [to] across to last 2sts, k2.

Repeat rows 1-6 across until your work measure appx 5.5ins from cast on ending after completing an odd (wrong side) row. Place stitch markers on either end of your last row.

DECREASES

Using your smaller sized needles decrease as follows:

Row 1 - k1, [k2tog, k5] repeat from [to] across (66sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 3 - k1, [k2tog, k4] repeat from [to] across (55sts)

Row 4 - Purl across

Row 5 - k1, [k2tog, k3] repeat from [to] across (44sts)

Row 6 - Purl across

Row 7 - k1, [k2tog, k2] repeat from [to] across (33sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 7 - k1, [k2tog, k1] repeat from [to] across (22sts)

Row 2 - Purl across

Row 3 - k1, [k2tog] repeat from [to] across (11sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the back tight. Using this end sew the crown together to your stitch markers. (I like to use the mattress stitch since it is nearly invisible). Weave in ends. Cut 2 pieces of dk yarn approximately 30ins long. Fold them in half and pull a loop through the front corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends through this loop.