Leah Hat

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Materials Needed: 60-220yds worsted weight yarn (I used Berrocco Vintage), size 8 (5mm) dpn or circular, size 6 (4mm) dpn or circular needles, yarn needle

Gauge: 5sts/in in stockinette st

Sizes (appx head circumference) [appx finished measurements laid flat]:
newborn (12-14ins) [5.5x5.5ins], baby (14-16ins) [6.5x6ins],toddler (16-18ins) [7.5x7ins], child (18-20ins) [7.5x7.5ins], ladies (20-22ins) [8.5x8.5ins], mens (22-24ins) [9.5x9ins]

Stitch Key:

K – knit   **p** – purl
sl – slip stitch   **k2tog** – knit next 2 sts together
ssk- slip next stitch knitwise, slip next stitch knitwise, knit the 2 slipped sts together
ll – long loop –insert needle in the middle stitch 3 Rounds down of your k3 rib, wrap yarn and pull through making a loop loosely, leave the loop on your needle

NEWBORN
Cast on 56 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 4 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 4.5ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (49sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (42sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (35sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (28sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (21sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (14sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (7sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.

BABY
Cast on 64 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 5 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 5ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (56sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (48sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (40sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (32sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (24sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (16sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (8sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.

TODDLER
Cast on 72 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 5 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 6ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (63sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (54sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (45sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (36sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (27sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (18sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (9sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.

CHILD
Cast on 80 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 6 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 6.5ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (70sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (60sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (50sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (40sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (30sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (20sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (10sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.

LADIES
Cast on 96 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 6 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 7.5ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (84sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (72sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (60sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (48sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (36sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (24sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (12sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.

MENS
Cast on 104 on smaller needles. Join in the round.
Work 7 rounds k1p1 ribbing.
Switch to larger needles.
Round 1 - [k3,p1] repeat [to] across
Round 2 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 3 - [k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 4 - [ll, k3, ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 5 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across
Round 6 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k3, p1] repeat [to] across

Repeat Rounds 3-6 until your work measures appx 8ins from cast on edge ending after completing a Round 3.

DECREASES
Round 1 – [ll, k3, ll, p1, k2, ssk] repeat [to] across (91sts)
Round 2 – [sl ll, k3, sl ll, p1, k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (78sts)
Round 3 – [ssk using your ll and next st, k1, k2tog using the next st and ll, p1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (65sts)
Round 4 – [k3, k2tog] repeat [to] across (52sts)
Round 5 – [k2, k2tog] repeat [to] across (39sts)
Round 6 – [k1, k2tog] repeat [to] across (26sts)
Round 7 – [k2tog] repeat [to] across (13sts)

Do not bind off. Cut yarn leaving appx -10ins. Pull yarn through remaining stitches and cinch the top tight. Weave in ends. Block as desired.