

Materials: Approximately 75–250 yds / 70–230 m of worsted-weight yarn; sample shown in Cascade 220 Superwash, 220 yds / 100 g per ball. US 7 / 4.5 mm needles suitable for working in the round, a beginning-of-round marker, and a tapestry needle. Use DPNs or another small-circumference method for the crown.

Gauge: 20 sts/28 rows = 4x4 in / 10x10 cm in Martha Stitch Pattern using US 7 / 4.5 mm needles, after blocking.

Sizes: Newborn, Baby (Toddler, Child) Teen/Small Adult, Large Adult.

Approximate head circumference: 13, 15 (17, 18) 20, 22 in / 33, 38 (43, 45.5) 51, 56 cm.

Approximate finished dimensions, laid flat after blocking — width × height:
Newborn: 6½ × 5 in / 16.5 × 12.5 cm.
Baby: 7½ × 6½ in / 19 × 16.5 cm.
Toddler: 8½ × 7 in / 21.5 × 18 cm.
Child: 9 × 7½ in / 23 × 19 cm.
Teen/Small Adult: 10 × 8½ in / 25.5 × 21.5 cm.
Large Adult: 11 × 9 in / 28 × 23 cm.

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MARTHA STITCH PATTERN — multiple of 10 stitches
Round 1: [P2, k1b, p2, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk] around.
Round 2: Knit.
Round 3: [P2, k1b, p2, k5] around.
Round 4: Knit.
Repeat Rounds 1–4.

Cast on 60, 70 (80, 90) 100, 110 sts. Place a beginning-of-round marker and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Work [k1, p1] around until the brim measures 1 in / 2.5 cm from the cast-on edge.

Work in Martha Stitch Pattern until the hat measures approximately 3½, 4 (5¼, 5¾) 6½, 7½ in / 9, 10 (13.5, 14.5) 16.5, 19 cm from the cast-on edge, including the brim. End after completing Round 2 of Martha Stitch Pattern.

CROWN DECREASES
Change to needles suitable for a smaller circumference when needed.
Round 1: [P1, vdd, p1, k5] around.
48, 56 (64, 72) 80, 88 sts.
Round 2: Knit.
Round 3: [Vdd, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk] around.
36, 42 (48, 54) 60, 66 sts.
Round 4: Knit.
Round 5: [K2, vdd, k1] around.
24, 28 (32, 36) 40, 44 sts.
Round 6: Knit.
Round 7: [K1, vdd] around.
12, 14 (16, 18) 20, 22 sts.
Round 8: Knit.
Round 9: K2tog around.
6, 7 (8, 9) 10, 11 sts.

Do not bind off. Cut the yarn, leaving a tail long enough to close the crown and weave in securely. Thread the tail through the remaining 6, 7 (8, 9) 10, 11 sts and draw the opening closed. Secure on the inside, weave in all ends, and block.

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Stitch Key:
DPNs: Double-pointed needles.
k: Knit.
k1b: Knit 1 below. Insert the working needle into the stitch directly below the next stitch on the holding needle and knit it. Let the stitch above it drop from the holding needle. The stitch count does not change.
k2tog: Knit 2 stitches together; 1 stitch decreased.
p: Purl.
st/sts: Stitch/stitches.
ssk: Slip 2 stitches individually knitwise, then knit them together through their back loops; 1 stitch decreased.
vdd: Vertical double decrease. Slip the next 2 stitches together knitwise as if to knit them together, knit the next stitch, then pass both slipped stitches together over the knitted stitch. 2 stitches decreased.
yo: Yarnover; bring the yarn over the working needle to create a new stitch. 1 stitch increased.

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