CHIPMUNK HAT



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knitting pattern with video tutorials

This adorable newborn baby hat is easy to knit and only takes about 2 hours from start to finish. The hat features ribbing at the brim, reverse stockinette texture, and little chipmunk ears.

Finished Measurements: 13" circumference & 4.5" tall (newborn)



NOTES ABOUT CONSTRUCTION

The hat is knitted in a simple flat rectangle with ribbing at the brim. The hat has a seam running up the back, and another across the top. The ears are created by firmly wrapping the corners of the hat with a little extra yarn.

MATERIALS

About 50 yards of sport weight yarn (shown here: Knit Picks Shine Sport 100% modal, color willow) Size US 4 straight needles Yarn needle & Measuring tape

GAUGE

US 4 needles: 19 sts x 31 rows = 4×4 inches in stockinette stitch.

DIRECTIONS

Cast-on 62 sts, leaving a long tail (you will use this to sew up the back seam).

Next 6 Rows: *K 1, P 1, repeat from the * to the end.

Knit even in stockinette until the piece measures 4.5" from the cast-on edge. Bind-off

FINISHING

Fold the piece in half so that the bumpy side of the stockinette faces out. Thread the long tail from your cast-on row onto a yarn needle. Use the mattress stitch to sew the back seam from the brim to the bind-off row.

Mattress Stitch Video Tutorial: http://goo.gl/i9dR0Q

Fold the hat so that it lays flat and the back seam runs up the center. Sew the top of the hat closed (it should look like a flat pocket).

Make ears out of the corners: thread a 15" length of yarn onto the yarn needle. Pinch the corner of the hat toward the front. Wrap the yarn around the fold twice about an inch from the tip to cinch together the base of the ear, then use the needle to wrap twice more in a figure-eight through the middle of the previous wraps. Secure the ends on the inside. Weave in the loose ends.



Weaving In Ends Video Tutorial: http://goo.gl/GP5BiJ





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