

**the Big Knit 2018-19**

**Christmas Pudding Hat**

(W = white, B = brown)

**Pudding**

 Using 4mm needles cast on 28st in B and P2 rows

 Continue in SS and work 5 rows.

 Next row: (1W, 1B, 1W, 4B, 1W, 2B) repeat to end

 Next row: (1W, 1B, 1W, 2B) repeat to end

 Next row: (3W, 1B, 2W, 1B, 2W, 1B) repeat to end

 Next row: 4W (1B, 9W) repeat to end

 SS 3 more rows in white

 (K2 tog) repeat to end

 (P2 tog) repeat to end

 B & T tightly

**Holly Leaves** - use 3.25mm needles

Cast on 1 in green. \* inc in this one stitch

 # K into front of st and put the created st back on the needle. Cast off 1, K1. Repeat from # twice. K2 tog. ^

 Repeat from \* to ^ to create 2nd leaf, cut off the wool to leave 40cm and thread this through the last stitch and down the leaf to the centre.

 Pick up a loop in the centre and repeat from \* to ^ to create the 3rd leaf using the 40cm of wool. B&T.

**Make up**

Sew up the row ends of the pudding. Sew the holly leaves to the top of the pudding.

 Use 50cm of red wool - doubled in the needle to create 3 french knot, berries, I found 4 winds around the needle ideal. But substitute with red beads if you don't like doing french knots!

[**http://www.thebigknit.devonartist.co.uk/Pudding.html**](http://www.thebigknit.devonartist.co.uk/Pudding.html)

**Please send your completed hats to:**

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**THANK YOU!**