



The big booklet of... **LITTLE HATS!**



Little hats... big difference!



blue bobble hat

beginner pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Blue and white DK

Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 31 sts in white

Row 1: k1, *p1, k1 repeat from *to end of row

Row 2: p1, *k1, p1 repeat from *to end of row

Change to blue and beginning with a knit row work 12 rows in st st

Next row: k2tog to last st, k1 (16sts)

Next row: purl

Next row: k2tog to end (8sts)

Cut the yarn leaving approx 10cm length. Thread this through a sewing needle and bring through stitches and pull up to tighten.

Making up

Use a sewing needle to join side seams.

Make a pompom in blue and sew securely to top of the hat.



Abbreviations: St(s) - stitch(es) | st st - stocking stitch | k2tog - knit two together

Age UK Loop

Designed by Hannah Greenshields

Instructions

Using white cast on 28 sts.

Knit 2 rows

Row 3: Purl.



Work the 14 pattern rows using the chart below and the following key:

o Green

+ Pink

/ Orange

« Blue

Continue in white only.

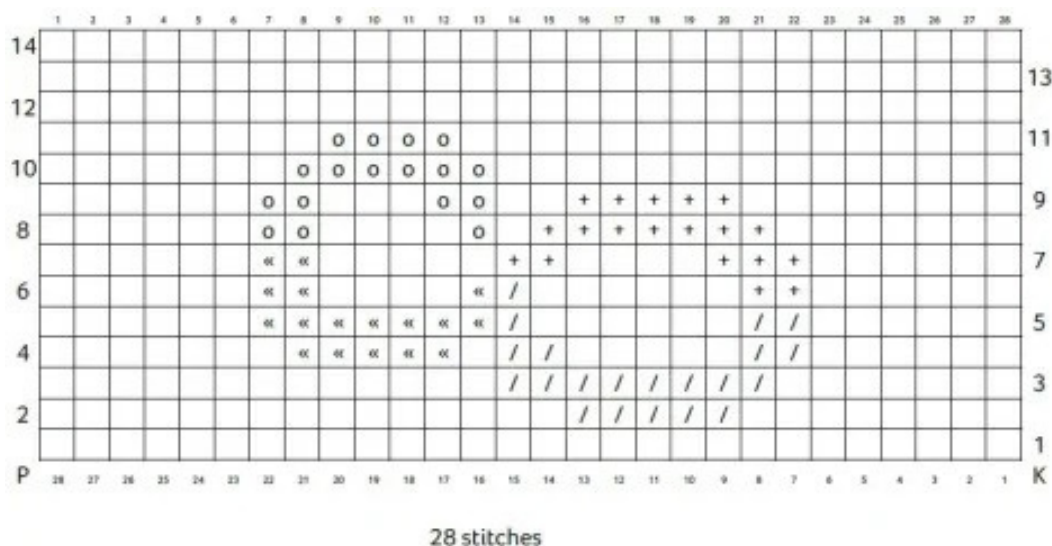
Next row: (K2tog) rpt to end (14 sts)

Next row: (P2tog) rpt to end (7 sts)

B & T

Making Up

Sew in the ends, sew up the seam and top with a pom pom using the life loop colours



Taken from: <https://thebigknit.devonartist.co.uk/yourpatterns/ageuk>

stripe hat

beginner pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Blue and white DK

Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 31 sts in blue

Knit two rows (garter st)

Change to white and beginning with a knit row continue in st st as follows

2 rows white, 2 rows blue, 2 rows white, 2 rows blue, 2 rows white, 2 rows blue.

Continue in blue

Next row: k2tog to last st, k1 (16sts)

Next row: purl

Next row: k2tog to end (8sts)

Cut the yarn leaving approx 10cm length. Thread this through a sewing needle and bring through stitches and pull up to tighten.

Making up

Use a sewing needle to join side seams.

Make a pompom in blue and white and sew securely to top of the hat.



Abbreviations: St(s) - stitch(es) | st st - stocking stitch | k2tog - knit two together

Monk

Designed by Vicky Selsby

Instructions

- Cast on 34 and garter st 2 rows
- Cont in ss dec'ing 1 st each of first 3 knit rows (28st)
- Then ss 12 more rows
- Knit 2 tog to end (14)
- Then purl 2 tog to end (7).
- Change colour for face and knit 1 row,
- Inc in every st purlwise (14)
- Inc in 1st and last st of knit row (16)
- Then ss 5 rows,
- Knit 2 tog to end (8)
- Purl 2 tog to end (4)
- Thread wool thru and pull up tightly sew down seam and stuff head then do a running stitch round base of head to seal in stuffing.
- Sew down rest of body



Arms:- Cast on 5 and ss 10 rows Change colour for hands

SS 4 rows

Last row dec 1st and last st

Thread thru and pull tightly and sew seam.

Hair:- A chain stitched circle which fits the head, sewn in place.

Belt: Use a single strand of wool tied around the waist for belt.

apple hat

intermediate pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Green and brown DK with some red and black for embroidery

Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 31 sts in green

Beginning with a knit row continue in st st for 14 rows

Next row: k2tog to last st, k1 (16sts)

Next row: purl

Next row: k2tog to end (8sts)

Change to brown

Next row: p2tog 4 times then work an icord for 6 rows.

Next row: K2tog twice. (2sts)

Next row: k2tog and fasten off

Leaf

CO 3 st in green

Row 1: kfb k1 kfb (5sts)

Row 2: purl

Row 3: k2 m1, k1, m1, k2 (7sts)

Row 4: purl

Row 5: knit

Row 6: purl

Row 7: k1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1 (5sts)

Row 8: purl

Row 9: ssk, k1, k2tog (3sts)

Making up

Use a sewing needle to join side seams and sew in the ends. Attach the leaf to the stalk. Embroider eyes and mouth in black and apple cheeks in red.



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Beehive

Designed by Catherine Holland

Instructions

Beehive

- Cast on 28sts in beehive colour.
- Knit 2 rows.
- Continue in st-st for 12 rows but replace every other purl row with a knit row.
- Next row (k2tog) rep to end of row.
- Purl 1 row.
- Next row (k2 tog)
- Break and tie

Bee

- Cast 2 in black.
- Inc into every stitch knitwise (4sts)
- Inc into every stitch purlwise (8sts)
- St-st 2 rows yellow, 2 rows black and 2 more yellow.
- Next row knit 2tog to end row.
- Purl 2tog to end
- Break and tie

Wings (make 2).

- Cast on 2sts
- Continue in knit and inc into every stitch (4 sts)
- Knit 4 rows.
- Knit 2 tog to end
- Break and tie.

Making Up:

- Sew seam of bee and stuff, add wings and 2 French knots for eyes.
- Attach to hat.



beetroot

intermediate pattern

Yarn: Any DK weight yarn in purple and green

Needles: 1 pair 3.75mm needles

Knitting:

Hat

Using purple yarn and 3.75mm needles cast on 29 sts.

Work 14 rows of st st

Next row: K2tog till last stitch K1 (15 sts)

Next row: P2tog till last stitch P1 (8 sts)

Next row: K2tog four times (4 sts)

Now work an icord for six rows. Cut yarn and thread through remaining sts.

Leaf (make 2)

Cast on 3 sts

Row 1: K1, M1, k1, M1, k1 (5sts)

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: K2, M1, k1, M1, K2 (7sts)

Row 4: Purl

Row 5: Knit

Row 6: Purl

Row 7: K1, SSK, K1, k2tog K1 (5sts)

Row 8: Purl

Row 9: SSK, K1, K2tog (3sts)

Row 10: Purl

Row 11: K3tog and fasten off

Finish by sewing the leaves to the top of the stalk.



Abbreviations K = Knit P = Purl Tog = Together Sts = stitches St st = stocking stitch
k2tog = knit two together P2tog = purl two together M1 = Make a st by picking up the loop between two sts
SSK = slip two sts and knit through the back

Chick

From Jo's Big Knit

Instructions

Head

- Using 4 mm needles and double knit wool
- Cast on 25 in yellow
- Start with a K row and SS 4 rows.
- (K3, inc)repeat to end
- SS 7 rows
- (K2 tog)repeat to end
- Purl
- (K2 tog)repeat to end
- Purl
- B & T tightly

Beak

- Cast on 10
- (K2 tog, K3) repeat to end
- (P2 tog, P2) repeat to end
- (K2 tog, K1) repeat to end
- (P2 tog) repeat to end
- Pass first stitch over last
- B & T tightly

Making Up

- Sew up the head.
- Create two loops on top of the head and secure.
- Cut through the loops to create the tuft!
- Sew the side of the beak, position on the face and sew in place



pineapple hat

advanced pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Yellow and green DK

Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 37 stitches in yellow.

Row 1: k to end

Row 2: *p3tog, (p1, k1, p1) into the same stitch, repeat from * to end of row p1.

Row 3: k1, *k3tog, (k1, p1, k1) into the same stitch, repeat from * to the end of the row.

Repeat rows 2 and 3, three more times and row 2 once more.

Next row: *k2tog repeat until last st, k1 (19sts)

Next row: *p2tog repeat until last st, k1 (10sts)

Next row: *k2tog repeat across all sts (5sts)

Fasten off by threading yarn through 5sts and drawing tight.

Leaves

Cast on 30 stitches in green and work 4 rows in st st beginning with a knit row. This is the stalk.

Row 5: K5 and turn leaving remaining stitches on a stitch holder.

Row 6: P5 and turn.

Row 7: K2tog K1 K2tog (3sts)

Row 8: P3

Row 9: K3

Row 10: P3tog fasten off.

Re-attach yarn to the stalk and work rows 5 to 10 for the second leaf on the next 5sts. Continue working leaves as above until you have made 6 leaves. Sew in ends.

Making Up

Sew up pineapple and roll up the stalk and sew to the top of the pineapple

Abbreviations: k - knit | p - purl | st(s) - stitch(es) | p3tog - purl 3 sts together | k3tog - knit 3 sts together | k2tog - knit 2 sts together | st st - stocking stitch

NOTE: It is the wrong side of the knitting that looks most like a pineapple.



Fish Tank

Designed by Dorothy Brooks



Instructions

- Cast on 28 sts in contrast yarn.
- Row 1 purl
- Row 2 knit
- Change to white yarn and work 14 rows in stocking stitch, beginning with a knit row.
- Revert to contrast yarn
- Knit 2 rows
- Next row: Purl.
- Next row: (P2, P2tog) repeat to end
- Next row: Knit.
- Next row: (P1, P2tog) repeat to end
- Next row: Knit.
- Last row: (P2tog) repeat to end.

Making Up

- Finish off and sew up in usual way. Embroider fish and plants.

post box hat

intermediate pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Red, white and black

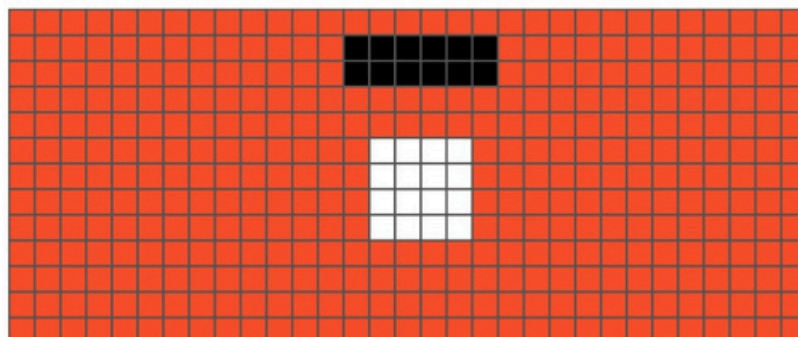
Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 31 sts in black

Knit 2 rows (garter st)

Change to red.



Now work from chart in stocking stitch until row 13 has been finished

Continue in red

Next row (ws): knit all sts

Next row: k1, *k2tog, k3, repeat from * to the end of the round (25sts)

Next row: purl all sts.

Next row: k1 *k2tog, k2, repeat from * to the end of the round (19sts)

Next row: purl all sts.

Next row: k1 *k2tog, k1, repeat from * to the end of the round (13sts)

Next row: purl all sts.

Next row: k1, *k2tog, repeat from * to the end of the round (7sts)

Cut the yarn leaving approx 10cm length. Thread this through a sewing needle and bring through stitches and pull up to tighten.

Making up

Use a sewing needle to join side seams.



Abbreviations: St(s) - stitch(es) | st st - stocking stitch | k2tog - knit two together | ws - wrong side

Pumpkin Hat

From Jo's Big Knit

Instructions

- Cast on 27 in orange double knit on size 4 mm needles
- Row 1: K3, (inc, K3) rpt to end (33sts)
- Row 2: P3, (K1, P4) repeat to end
- Row 3: (K4, inc) rpt to last 3sts, K3 (39sts)
- Row 4: P3, (K1, P5) rpt to end
- Row 5: (K5, P1) rpt to last 3sts, K3
- Row 6: P3, (K1, P5) rpt to end
- Repeat last 2 rows 4 more times
- Row 15: (K4, P2tog) rpt to last 3sts, K3 (33sts)
- Row 16: (P3, K2tog) rpt to last 3sts, P3 (27sts)
- Row 17: K3, (P2tog, K2) rpt to end (21sts)
- Row 18: P2, (K2tog, P1) rpt to last st, P1 (15sts)
- Row 19: K1, (K2tog) repeat to end, leave a long end (8sts)
- Transfer the stitches to a double ended needle and with purl side facing join on green
- Work 7 rows on these stitches as an I-cord
- (K2tog) repeat to end (4sts)
- K2 tog twice, pass the first st over the second. (1st)
- B & T tightly.
- Thread a needle onto this wool end and use it to turn the I-cord inside out.

Making Up

- Tidy up the I-cord ends and, with the I-cord inside the pumpkin and purl side out, oversew the row ends.
- Use the long orange end to gather along each of the pumpkin segment dividers.
- Embroider the face of your choice with a length of black yarn.



broccoli

intermediate pattern

Yarn: Any DK weight yarn in dark green

Needles: 1 pair 3.75mm (UK) needles, sewing needle

Knitting:

Hat

Using 3.75mm needles cast on 29sts.

Row 1: K1 P1 to last st, K1

Row 2: P1 K1 to last st, P1

Work 12 rows in stocking stitch.

Next row: (K2tog) to last st, K1 (15sts)

Next row: (P2tog) to last stitch P1 (8sts)

Cut yarn and thread through remaining stitches and draw tight

Floret

Cast on 20 stitches and knit 1 row

Row 1: (K1 M1) to last stitch, k1 (39sts)

Knit 3 rows

Next row : (K1 M1) to last stitch, K1 (77sts)

Knit 3 rows

Cast off

Making up

Sew up green hat and attach floret to the top.

Coil the floret randomly to make it look more broccoli-like.

Sew in all ends



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Rainbow Hat

From Jo's Big Knit

Instructions

- Using 4 mm needles, cast on 28 stitches in red double knit
- Purl 2 rows in red
- Continue in SS
- Work 2 rows in orange
- 2 rows in yellow
- 2 rows in green
- 2 rows in blue
- 2 rows in indigo
- 2 rows in violet
- (K2 tog) repeat to end
- (P2 tog) repeat to end

Finish in 2 ways

Either: B&T tightly to finish with a plait and pom-pom.

Make the plait with the seven colours and sew it into a pom-pom made with the seven colours.

OR: Finish with an I-Cord.

K1, K2 tog to end.

Work a 6 row I-Cord on these 5 stitches.

K2, K1, K2 – repeat until 2 stitches remain.

B & T tightly.

Making Up

- Sew up the row ends for both hats.
- To save sewing in lots of ends for each colour – you may want to cheat and tie the colours together – no one can see the inside of your hat on a bottle!!



carrot

intermediate pattern

Yarn: Any DK weight yarn in orange and green

Needles: 1 pair 3.75mm needles

Knitting:

Hat

Using orange yarn and 3.75mm needles cast on 29 sts.

Work 12 rows of st st

Next row: (K2, K2tog) seven times, K1 (22 sts)

Work three rows of st st starting with a purl row.

Next row: (K1, K2tog) seven times, K1 (15 sts)

Work three rows of st st starting with a purl row.

Next row: K2tog seven times, K1 (8 sts)

Purl 1 row

Next row: K2tog four times (4 sts)

Cut the yarn and thread through remaining sts pulling tight.

Making up

Sew up the carrot. Cut some lengths of green yarn and attach tassels to the bottom of the carrot and trim.



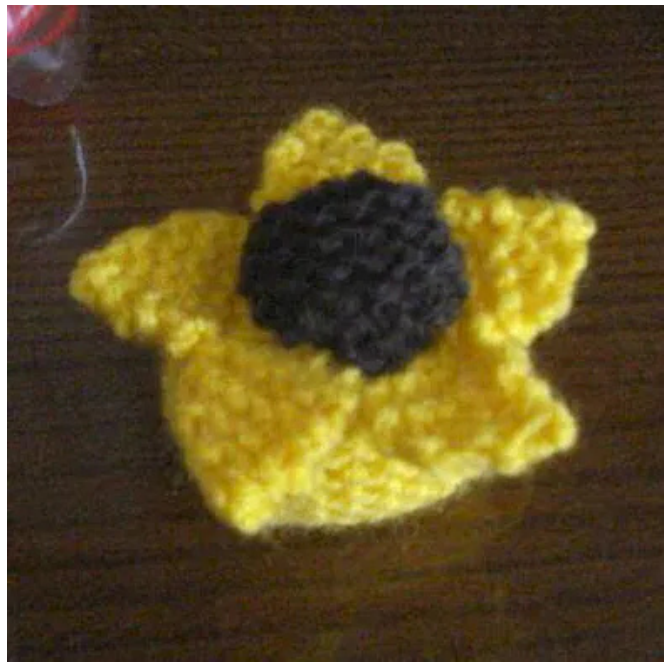
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Sunflower

Designed by Chris Randall

Instructions

- Using 4mm needles cast on 28 stitches in yellow
- Garter stitch 14 rows
- (K2 tog) repeat to end
- (K2 tog) repeat to end
- B & T tightly
- Over sew the row ends



Petals - work 5 evenly around the hat

- Around the top of the hat pick up sections of 6 stitches, these can over lap.
- Garter stitch 4 rows
- Cast off a stitch at either end of the next row
- K1 row
- Cast off a stitch at either end of the next row
- K1 row
- B&T

Centre

- Cast on 10 stitches in black, garter stitch until you have a square, gather around the edge and sew into the centre of your flower.

sombrero hat

intermediate crochet pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Red and yellow

Crochet hook: 3.5mm

Hat

You will be working in spirals so you might like to use a locking stitch marker to keep track of the round.

Using the magic loop technique and red yarn make 6dcs into the ring. Join with a ss.

Round 1: make 2dc in each dc from the previous round.
Join with ss (12sts)

Round 2: *1 dc, 2dc in next dc, repeat from * to the end of the round. Join with ss (18sts)

Round 3: *1 dc in next 2 dcs, 2dc in next dc, repeat from * to the end of the round. Join with ss (24sts)

Round 4: 1 dc, in each dc to the end of the round. Join with ss.

Repeat round 4, 3 more times.

Round 8: * 2dc in next st, 5dc, repeat from * to the end of the round (28sts)

Round 9: *2dc in next st, 1dc, repeat from * to the end of the round (42sts)

Round 10-11: 1dc in each st

Round 12: change to yellow, 1dc in each st

Fasten off and sew in ends.



Abbreviations: ch – chain | st(s) – stitch(es) | dc – double crochet | ss – slip stitch

Watering Can

Designed by Marie-M

Instructions

- Suggestion: Knit this piece on two 4mm sock needles, it saves changing needles for the I-cords.
- Knit in Double Knit

CAN: Cast on 28sts.

Rows 1 & 2: Knit

Rows 3 to 14: Stocking stitch

Row 15: K2tog across row

Row 16: Purl

Row 17: K2tog across row

Row 18: Purl

B&T

HANDLE: Cast on 3 sts and Knit 5" as an I-cord

NOZZLE: Cast on 8 sts Knit 1 row Thread all sts onto a darning needle, then pull up tightly to make a circle.

SPOUT: Cast on 5 sts and work as an I-cord

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: K3, k2tog (4sts)

Row 3: K2tog, k2 (3sts)

Knit 1.5"

FLOWERS: I made 7 – see photo.

Cut 6" strands of different coloured wools.

Put 2 tog and tie 3 loose knots on top of each other.

Arrange flowers, tie stalks tog then sew the bunch to the back half of the top of the can.

Making Up

- Sew up the back seam.
- Sew the handle to the bottom edge (back) and the first row of decreasing (front).
- Sew the spout to the bottom edge and the nozzle to the spout end (a bit fiddly)
- Add a crocheted thread 1/2" long between the spout and the can.



lion hat

advanced pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Yellow DK with some brown for the mane and black for the face

Needles: 4mm

Hat

Cast on 31 sts in yellow

Beginning with a knit row continue in st st for 14 rows

Next row: k2tog to last st, k1 (16sts)

Next row: purl

Next row: k2tog to end (8sts)

Cut the yarn leaving approx 10cm length. Thread this through a sewing needle and bring through stitches and pull up to tighten.

Head

Cast on 12 sts

Row 1: *k1,kfb repeat from * to the end of the row (18sts)

Row 2: *p2, pfb repeat from * to the end of the row (24sts)

Row 3: repeat row 1 (36sts)

Beginning with a purl row continue in st st for 13 rows.

Row 17: *k1, k2tog repeat from * to the end of the row (24sts)

Row 18: *p2, p2tog repeat from * to the end of the row (18sts)

Row 19: repeat row 17 (12sts)

Row 20: k2tog across all sts (6sts)

Cut the yarn leaving approx 10cm length. Thread this through a sewing needle and bring through stitches and pull up to tighten.

Making up

Sew the head up stuffing with fibre as you go.

Embroider the face and the mane.

Sew up the hat and sew on the head



Abbreviations: St(s) - stitch(es) | st st - stocking stitch | k2tog - knit two together | p2tog - purl two together
kfb - knit into the front and back of the same st | pfb - purl into the front and back of the same st

Flower Basket

Designed by Denise Patterson

Instructions

- Using 4mm needles and DK cast on 27 stitches.
- Knit (garter stitch) 2 rows
- Change to basket weave K3,P3 all along row for 3 rows,
- P3,K3 all along row for 3 rows,
- K3,P3 all along row for 3 rows,
- Begin stocking stitch with a purl row first, for 7 rows
- Change to pale pink and stocking stitch for a further 8 rows.
- K1, then K2 together all along row
- P2 together all along row
- B & T tightly.
- Sew up seam, and then turn back cuff



The flowers and decorations

I made 16 flower heads as follows:

- Take 2 pencils and hold them side by side and wrap wool around them 20 times.
- Take a contrast colour and bring this up between the pencils and tie firmly enclosing the centre of the wrapped colour. I find sliding off pencils as I am tightening helps give a better finish and then wrap the contrast around the centre 1 or 2 times to give a better colour around middle, cut one end off and with the other end, use to sew onto basket.
- Repeat flowers with various colours.
- To make the basket handle, I used 2 lengths of wool and a length of fine fuse wire to make it hold it's shape, I cannot crochet but I can do a simple chain stitch which is easy to do, for approx 6 inches.
- Sew onto sides of basket, turn the cuff back up to cover where handles are stitched on.
- The cute tiny bee button embellishments I bought off eBay.
- Add a ribbon bow on the handle

simple crochet hat

advanced crochet pattern by Juliet Bernard

Yarn: Red and red

Crochet hook: 3.5mm

Hat

Using the magic loop technique make 6dcs into the ring. Join with a ss.

Round 1: ch1 make 2dc in each dc from the previous round. Join with ss (12sts)

Round 2: ch1 , *1 dc, 2dc in next dc, repeat from * to end of the round. Join with ss (18sts)

Round 3: ch1 *1 dc in next 2 dcs, 2dc in next dc, repeat from * to the end of the round. Join with ss (24sts)

Round 4: ch1, 1 dc, in each dc to the end of the round.
Join with ss.

Repeat round 4, 4 more times.

Fasten off and sew in ends

Make a red pompom and sew to the top..



Abbreviations: ch – chain | st(s) – stitch(es) | dc – double crochet | ss – slip stitch

Motar Board

Designed by Chris Randall

Instructions

- Instructions:
- Using 4mm needles cast on 28 stitches in black
- Garter stitch 14 rows
- (K2 tog) repeat to end
- (K2 tog) repeat to end
- B & T tightly
- Over sew the row ends



Create 2 black knitted squares cast on about 20sts and garter stitch until your piece is square, this will vary depending on your tension.

Making Up

Stitch the squares together with a piece of card in between. Stitch this to the hat and add a tassel in a contrasting colour.

Knit a little hat... and make a big difference!

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For every little hat we receive we will raise 30p to help older people in Northumberland.

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