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Here's a hat for everyone on your Nice List. Husbands, new babies, growing-too-fast kids - all of them will look great in this simple, yet versatile, hat. The vertical ribs make this hat stretchy and springy and give the sizes a lot of wiggle room. They also let you use variegated yarns with impunity!

## pattern

Cast on $60(80,100,120)$ sts. Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches. Place marker at beginning of round.
Rounds 1-10: Knit.
Begin vertical ribbing:
Rounds 11-14: Purl. (ie. Purl 4 rounds.)
Rounds 15-18: Knit. (ie. Knit 4 rounds.)
Continue in ribbing as established until 6(8,9,11-12) repeats are completed, ending after a $4^{\text {th }}$ knit round.
Decrease for top of hat:
Round 1: *p2tog, p3. Repeat around. 48(64,80,96)sts remain.
size
Preemie[P],(Baby[B],
Toddler[T],
Child/Adult[C/A])
Size Shown: Toddler.
yarn
50 g ball of Fingeringweight. Shown in Shibui Knits Sock, colour 4103 (Roppongi).
needles
Size 3 US ( 2.75 mm ): 2 circulars, dpn's, or magic loop - whatever your favourite technique is for knitting in the round.
gauge
6 sts per inch
notions
Yarn darner, scissors

Purl 3 rounds.
R 5: *k2tog, k3. Rep to last 3(4,0,1)sts. Size P: K2tog, k1. Size B: k2tog, k2. Size C/A: k1). 38(51,64,77)sts remain. Knit 3 rounds.

R 9: *p2tog, p3. Rep to last 3(1,4,2)sts. Size P: p2tog, p1. Size B: p1. Size T: p2tog, p2. Size C/A: p2tog.
30(41,51,61)sts remain.
Purl 3 rounds.
R 13: *k2tog, k3. Rep to last $0(1,1,1)$ sts. Sizes B, T AND C/A: k1. 24(33,41,49)sts remain.
Knit 3 rounds.
R 17: *p2tog, p3. Rep to last 4(3,1,4)sts. Size P: p2tog, p2.
Size B: p2tog, p1. Size T: p1. Size C/A: p2tog, p2.
19(26,33,39)sts remain.
Purl 3 rounds.
R 21: *k2tog, k2. Rep to last 3(2,1,4)sts. Size P: k2tog, k1. Size B: k2tog. Size T: k1. Size C/A: k2tog, k2.
14(19,25,29)sts remain.
Knit 1 round.
R 23: *k2tog, k1. Rep to last 2(1,1,2)sts. Size P: k2tog.
Sizes B AND T: k1. Size C/A: k2tog. 9(13,17,19)sts remain.
For size P only: Cut yarn and draw tail through remaining sts. Pull tight. Weave in ends.
glossary
k Knit
p Purl
k2tog Knit two
together. (Knit the next two stitches as if they are one. One stitch is decreased.)
p2tog Purl two together. (Purl the next two stitches as if they are one. One stitch is decreased.)
Rep Repeat the sequence from the star.
Sts Stitches dpn Double-pointed needles, either a set of four or five. Your preference.
Stocking St In the round, knit every round.

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## Sizes B, T, AND C/A:

R 24: *k2tog. Rep to last $1(1,1)$ st. Knit last st. Cut yarn and draw tail through remaining sts. Pull tight. Weave in ends. D


