

# DROP A HINT: A SCARF AND A HAT

## A FREE PATTERN FROM ANACAPA FINE YARNS

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Some hints are subtle and some are not. This scarf is a classic and bold way to present a luscious ribbon yarn, subtly not being its strong suit. The hat, a soft spoken cousin, shows a lovely interaction between a soft and luxurious alpaca silk and that same beautiful ribbon yarn.

#### Size:

Hat: Fits a 22" head loosely

Scarf: approx. 4.5"X74"

#### Materials

Scarf: Crystal Palace Party [100% nylon, 87yds per 50g ball] col. 415; Roses; 2 balls

Hat: [MC] Debbie Bliss Alpaca Silk [80% alpaca, 20% Silk, 71yds/65m per 50 g] col. 10; 1 ball

[CC] Crystal Palace Party[100% nylon, 87yds per 50g ball] col. 415; Roses; 1 ball or the leftovers from your scarf

#### Tools:

Scarf: 1 set of US 11/8mm needles

Hat: 1 set of US 8/5mm 16" circular needles (or size needed to achieve gauge); 1 set of US 8/5mm DPNS (at least 4 needles)(or set that matches circular needles); stitch markers, tapestry needle

#### Gauge:

Scarf: 12sts = 4"; Gauge is not vital here, as it is a scarf and doesn't require a specific fit.

Hat: 16 sts and 24 rows= 4"; Gauge is very

important here since it is a piece of clothing that you want to fit.

#### Pattern Notes:

For scarf, I recommend cutting the fringe before you begin knitting, so that you do not have to worry about your yarn making it far enough. I used the long end of a DVD case and wrapped the yarn 28 times around, cutting only one end. Then, I had 14 strands for each the cast on edge and the bind off end.

For hat, only change color of the row if it is indicated at the start of that row. Otherwise, work the following row in the same color that you just worked.

#### Pattern:

Scarf: With US 11/8 mm, CO 14sts.

Row 1: Knit.

Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: (wrap row) \*insert your needle knitwise

into the next st., wrap the yarn around the right needle as for a normal st, but wrap 4 times, pull all 4 wraps through the st as for a normal st., repeat from \* 13 more times

Row 4: (drop row) \*insert needle into main hole at the base of the 4 wraps, knit a st through this opening and drop all 4 wraps off the left needle, repeat from \* 13 more times.

\*Be careful NOT to pull tight on any of the sts as you work Row 4. I usually work all the way through the next two rows before pulling down on the fabric to even it out. If you pull tight too early you will end up with a tight and a loose edge, rather than two relatively even edges.

Repeat rows 1-4 33 times total. End by work rows 1-2 once more. BO loosely.

If you would like a shorter scarf with no fringe, then you can repeat rows 1-4 22 times and only use one ball.

#### Hat:

With US 8/5mm (or needle needed to achieve gauge) and with MC, CO 72sts. Careful not to twist, join in the round. Place a unique marker for the beginning of the round.

Row 1: Knit.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: Purl.

Rows 5, 6, 7: Knit.

Row 8: Purl.

Row 9: (wrap row) with CC, \*insert your needle knitwise into the next st., wrap the yarn around the right needle as for a normal st, but wrap 2 times, pull both wraps through the st as for a normal st., repeat from \* around to marker

Row 10: (drop row) with MC, \*insert needle into main hole at the base of the 2 wraps, knit a st through this opening and drop both wraps off the left needle, repeat from \* around to marker

Row 11: Purl.

Repeat rows 5-11 two more times. Then, repeat rows 5-8 once more.

#### Decrease Section:

Row 1: With CC, \*K6, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around. Make sure to use a different color of markers here than you used to mark the beg. of

the round. Do not replace the beg. of round marker when you get there.

Row 2 and all even rows: Knit with the same color as previous row.

Row 3: With MC, \*K5, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Row 5: With CC, \*K4, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Row 7: With MC, \*K3, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Row 9: With CC, \*K2, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Row 11: With MC, \*K1, K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Row 12: With MC, \*K2tog, pm, repeat from \* around.

Cut about 6" tail and feed remaining sts onto the tail. Draw up tight and feed tail to the wrong side. Weave in ends and enjoy.

