

Be Mine Hat With XO Cable
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Designed to match a pattern by Laura yarnthrower.
Fingerless Mitts With XO Cable can be found at the following web address. http://pickinandthrowin.blogspot.com/2007/03/fingerless-mitts-with-xocable.html

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Materials:

Knitpicks Swish Worsted (110 yds per 50g) 2 Balls
1 set uS 6 double pointed needles or needles for circular method of your choice
cable needle
Tapestry Needle for weaving in ends

Guage:
In Stockinette on US 6 (4.0 mm) Needles
**Note** This hat doesn't quite cover my ears. If you want a hat that does, you can add 16 rows of 2 X 2 ribbing before beginning row 1 . Then knit rows $1-16$ the same as rows $17-48$. You'll have 16 rows of ribbing and 4 repeats with just the cable pattern, omitting the section with ribbing and cables together. Two balls of Knitpicks Swish will still be plenty. I only used a little over 1 ball for my hat. I was able to make both the Fingerless Mitts with XO Cable and the hat with about $21 / 2$ balls.

Special Stitches
c4b: Place next 2 sts on cable needle and hold to back of work. Knit the next 2 sts and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.
c4f: Place next 2 sts on cable needle and hold to front of work. Knit the next 2 sts and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.

8 stitch XOXO Cable Pattern in the round:
Rows 1 and 2: k8
Row 3: c4b, c4f
Rows 4, 5, and 6: k8
Row 7: c4f, c4b
Rows 8, 9, and 10: k8
Row 11: c4f, c4b
Rows 12, 13, and 14: k8
Row 15: c4b, c4f
Row 16: k8

Repeat these 16 rows for XOXO cable.
In the pattern below work the corresponding cable pattern row each time it says "cable." On row 1 knit the 8 stitches of the cable pattern when the directions say "cable." When You're on the 11 th row of the hat work row 11 of the cable pattern. Then repeat the cable pattern every 16 rows.

Cast on 104 sts. Join to work in the round

If using double points, arrange your stitches so there are 26 on each of 4 needles. The pattern will repeat 4 times in each round so you will not need to use stitch markers.

If using one or two circular needles, place markers at the beginning of the round and every 26 sts if needed.

Rows 1 to 16: *p1, (k2, p2) twice, cable, (p2, k2) twice, p1. Repeat from * to end of row.

Rows 17 to 48: *k7, p2, cable, p2, k7. Repeat from * to end of row.

Crown:
Row 1: *k2, k2tog, k3, p2, ssk, k4, k2tog, p2, k3, ssk, k2. Rep from * to end of row. (88 sts)
Row 2: *k6, p2, k6, p2, k6. Rep from * to end of

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Row 3: *k2, k2tog, k2, p2, k6, p2, k2, ssk, k2. Rep from * to end of row.
(80 sts)
Row 4: *k5, p2, k6, p2, k5. Rep from * to end of row.
Row 5: *k1, k2tog, k2, p2, ssk, k2, k2tog, p2, k2, ssk, k1. Rep from * to
`end of row. (64 sts)
Row 6: *k4, p2, k4, p2, k4.. Rep from * to end of row.
Row 7: *k1, k2tog, k1, p2, k4, p2, k1, ssk, k1. Rep from * to end of row.
(56 sts)
row 8: *k3, p2, k4, p2, k3. Rep from * to end of row.
Row 9: *k2tog, k1, p2, ssk, k2tog, p2, k1, ssk. Rep from * to end of row.
(40 sts)
Row 10: **k2, p2, k2, p2, k2. Rep from * to end of row.
Row 11: *k2tog, p2, k2tog, p2, ssk. Rep from * to end of row. (28 sts)
Row 12: *k1, p2, k1, p2, k1. Rep from * to end of row except on last
repeat do not knit the last stitch of the row. slip the last stitch,
remove marker, slip the stitch back to the left needle and replace marker.
This will be the new beginning to the round. If you are using double
points just slip the last stitch of needle 4 to needle 1.
Row 13: *k2tog, p2tog, k1, p2tog. Rep from * to end of round. Removing
markers or slipping stitches as you go in order to do the k2tog.. Leave
only the marker for the beginning of the round. (16 sts)
Row 14: *k1, p1. Rep from * to end of row.
Row 15: *k2 tog. Rep from * to end of row.
Cut yarn and thread through the remaining 8 sts. Weave in ends.
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