## the Wizarding Ancognite Cap

Skill level: Beginner/Intermediate

Techniques: circular knitting, ribbing, ssk, p2tog

Materials: Gauge is variable but the ribbing must be firm enough to hold its shape but soft enough to pull fully open. Hats pictures were worked at 8st/in in ribbing (relaxed), using elann Highland Wool (109yds/50g).

- Approx. 40-80g worsted weight yarn (double cuff: approx. 60-120g).
- 1 set US#7/4.5mm double pointed needles (dpns) (7-8" long) or size to achieve desired fabric.
- Optional: 1 set of dpns or 16" circulars a size smaller.
- 1 stitch marker
- 1 yarn needle

This hat is designed to be worn two ways: with the crown pulled up in a pronounced point as a wizard cap, or pulled down for a conventional toque with a folded up cuff.

<u>Sizes</u>: Small (small child: 10", fits to 18") Medium (child/adult: 12", fits to 22") Large (large adult: 14", fits to 26").





Pattern: No color changes are indicated below; placement is left to the discretion of the knitter.

Cast on 80 (96) (112) stitches for k2p2 ribbing. An elastic cast-on such as the long tail cast-on is best. If desired, work the first half inch or so with a smaller needle to help keep the ribbing firm at the edge.

Join in round, place marker, and [k2, p2] to the end. Continue to work in ribbing for 6 (7) (7) inches. For a double cuff, work for 8 (9.5) (10) inches. For an infant size, work a small to 5 inches only.

*1st decrease row:* [k2, p2tog] to end. = 60 (72) (84) stitches.

{p2tog= purl two together}

Work in k2p1 ribbing for 0.75 (1) (1) inch.

2nd decrease row: [ssk, p1] to end. 40 (48) (56) st. {ssk= slip 1 knitwise twice, knit the 2 together}

Work in k1p1 ribbing for 0.75(1)(1) inch.

3rd decrease row: [ssk, p2tog] to end. = 20 (24) (28) st.

Work in k1p1 ribbing for 0.5 (0.75) (0.75) inch.

4th decrease row: [ssk, p2tog] to end. = 10(12)(14) st.

Work in k1p1 ribbing for 1 row. Break yarn and pull the tail through the remaining stitches. Pull tight and weave in end.

Wash and block. If the point does not want to smooth flat when pulled down, block the top gently over a balloon or form. It will still form a point when pulled up, but will more easily relax flat.