



## materials:

- Worsted weight yarn (Hobby Lobby "I Love This Yarn" in Royal)
- Size 7US (4.5mm) dpn's
- Size 9US (5.5mm) 16" circular needle
- Size 9US (5.5mm) dpn's
- Cable Needle
- Tapestry Needle
- Stitch Marker
- Row Counter

## abbreviations:

- **dpn's**: double pointed needles
- **k**: knit
- **p**: purl
- **sts**: stitches
- **kfb**: knit in front and back of stitch

- **Cable 6 Back**: Slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and hold in back, K3 from left-hand needle, then knit the 3 sts from cable needle
- **Cable 6 Front**: Slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and hold in front, K3 from left-hand needle, then knit the 3 sts from cable needle
- **Cable 4 Back**: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in back, K2 from left-hand needle, then knit the 2 sts from cable needle
- **Cable 4 Front**: Slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold in front, K2 from left-hand needle, then knit the 2 sts from cable needle

Gauge: 4-4.5 sts = 1" (in Stockinette Stitch)

Size: Adult

## Pattern:

Using smaller dpn's, cast on 112 sts. (*Place marker.*)

Work 7 rows in 1x1 rib. (*k1, p1*)

Switch to circular needle and work one increase row as follows: \*k6, kfb\* repeat around (128 sts)

**Rows 1-2:** \*p4, k12\* repeat around

**Row 3:** \*p4, cable 6 back, cable 6 front\* repeat around

**Rows 4-8:** \*p4, k12\* repeat around

Repeat rows 3-8 six more times. (40 pattern rows)

Work rows 3-6 once more.

## SHAPE TOP:

**Row 1:** \*(p2tog) twice, k1, k2tog, k1, (k2tog) twice, k1, k2tog, k1\* repeat around (80 sts)

**Row 2:** \*p2, k8\* repeat around

**Row 3:** \*p2, cable 4 back, cable 4 front\* repeat around

**Row 4:** \*p2, k8\* repeat around

**Row 5:** \*p2tog, (k2tog) 4 times\* repeat around (40 sts)

**Row 6:** \*p1, k4\* repeat around

**Row 7:** \*p1, (k2tog) twice\* repeat around (24 sts)

**Row 8:** \*p1, k2\* repeat around

**Row 9:** \*k2tog\* repeat around (12 sts)

## Finishing:

Break off yarn, leaving an 8-10" tail. Using a tapestry needle, thread end through the active stitches on the needle. Pull tight and secure on the inside (*wrong side*) of hat. Weave in any remaining ends. Hat should look like the picture to the right at this point.



## BLOCKING:

Soak hat in warm water for 20-30 minutes. Stretch hat around a salad plate (or other mostly flat circular object approx 8.5" in diameter), as shown in the pictures below, and allow to dry completely. (Don't worry if there is a slight crease once it's dried, that will smooth out with wear.) This keeps the hat from taking on a ribbed appearance (because of the purl stitches between the cables) and will ultimately give it the slouchy shape you're looking for.

