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Gracie: reversible beret & fingerless gloves

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Sometimes, women just need instant gratification (and chocolate). Gracie was a highly satisfying and fun project that I did freehand as my first knitted beret. I was amazed on how fast this knit up. Use bulky yarn, and you'll have your holiday gifts knit up in a flash--in under a weekend!! Never grump again about those spare bits of yarn you have left after the project is done...make matching fingerless gloves!

MATERIALS:

Yarn: Bulky soft wool or alpaca yarn

(hat: approx. 200-250 yards)

Needles: set of 4 dpns, size US8 & Size

US9 circular needles (24") and a

darning needle.

SIZES: S/M & L/XL

MEASUREMENTS:

<u>Ribbing:</u> 19.5 inches diameter for the small/medium, <u>unstretched.</u> This will fit a decently big head. If you are worried, bump up to size 9 US needles on the ribbing, or dare to knit the XL size.

Height: about 9 inches.

GAUGE: 4.5 stitches= 1," & 5 rows= 1" on size US9.

PATTERN ABBREVIATIONS:

K= knit P= purl RD(s)=round(s) K2tog= knit 2sts together SSK=slide 2sts each knit-wise onto right needle, knit those sts together through the front SL M= slide marker YO=yarn over TBL=through back of loop CO=cast on BO=bind off M1=make 1 stitch (between sts) DPNs=double-pointed needles



"Gracie" Beret:

CO 68(80)sts loosely onto a set of 4 size US8 dpns; join round. Stitches are divided as thus: S/M: 22-23-23 or L/XL: 26-27-27

Ribbing:

- 1.) *K1(tbl), p1(tbl)* across the first round
- 2.) *K1(tbl), p1* across the rd until the cuff measures 1 1/4".

Note: On the last rd, insert your markers as directed:

Size Small: insert your

markers after sts: 16, 17, 33, 34,

50, 51, 67, & 68

Size Large: insert your markers after sts: 19, 20, 39, 40, 59, 60,

79, & 80

Note: When you feel like your sts

can easily fit onto a circular needle after increasing, switch over.

Increasing:

Switch over to size US9 dpns, or circular needles.

Rd 1: *P16(19), sl M, YO, k1, YO, sl M* across the rd. 72(84)sts.

Rds 2-4: *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* across the rd.

Rd 5: *P16(19), sl M, YO, k3, YO, sl M* across the rd. 76(88)sts.

Rds 6-8: *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* across.

Rd 9: *P16(19), sl M, YO, k5, YO, sl M* across the rd. 80(92)sts.

Rds 10-12: *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* across.

Rd 13: *P16(19), sl M, YO, k7, YO, sl M* across the rd. 84(96)sts.

Rds 14-16: *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* across.

No increasing or decreasing:

Next rds: *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* until the beret measures 7.5-9", depending how slouchy you want it. I did 7.5".

Decreasing:

Note: switch back to dpns when your sts start pulling on your circs.

1.) *P16(19), sl M, ssk, knit to 2sts before M, k2tog, sl M* across the rd.

- 2.) *P16(19), sl M, knit all sts between markers, sl M* across <u>for 2 rds</u>. ----Repeat #1 and #2 until 2(3) knit sts remain between your markers----
- 3.) K2tog across the round.

Finishing:

Pull the yarn through the remaining sts, make knot and weave in the thread.

Gracie Short fingerless gloves:

(Sizes: small, medium, large, extra large) CO 24(26)(28)(30) sts on 3 dpns, size US8 or US9; join the round.

Make two:

- 1.) *k1, p1* across the rd, for 4 rds.
- 2.) Knit until the glove reaches 3" from the cast on edge.
- 3.) K1, PM, m1, k1, m1, PM, knit to the end of the rd.
- 4.) Knit straight across the round.
- 5.) Knit 1, sl M, m1, k3, m1, sl M, knit to the end of the rd.
- 6.) Knit straight across the round.
- 7.) K1, sl M, m1, k5, m1, Sl M, knit to the end of the rd.
- 8.) Knit straight across the round
- 9.) K1, BO then next 5 sts, knit to the end of the rd.
- 10.) K1, CO 5sts onto the right needle, knit to the end of the rd.
- 11.) Knit 7 rds straight.
- 12.) *K1, P1* across the round for 4 rds.
- 12.) BO really loosely.



Stockinette Side

(original) Garter side