

GumNut / GumBlossom Hat in HandSpun for Blythe Doll

Inspired by May Gibbs' Gumnut
& Gum Blossom Babies and
designed for Neo Blythe Dolls
head diameter 10.5" / 27cm.



GumNut



Pattern designed for a bulky hand-spun
yarn of 7 WPI.

The yarn used is a wool alpaca blend
approx. 60% undyed, naturally coloured
corriedale sheep wool, 40% undyed
naturally coloured alpaca.

You need about 20 gr = 0.705479 oz
yarn (the hat in the photos took 19gr)

Set of DPNs 6mm / US 10 / UK 4
Or a Circ of same size if you like to work
using 'Magic Loop' method

Gauge 12sts = 4" or 10cm

Cast on 33 sts, distribute evenly over 3 DPNs and, without twisting, join in the round
working a p2tog using the first and last stitches – now you'll have 32sts.
(this is my preferred method of joining in a round & avoiding a 'bump' at the start)

Nut edge: Work 3 rounds purling every stitch

Nut: next 6 rounds K every stitch

Start dec

Rnd 10: K6, K2tog around (28sts)

K next 2 rounds

Rnd 13: K5, K2tog around (24sts)

K next 2 rounds

Nut cont:

Rnd 16: K4, K2tog around (20sts)

K next round

Rnd 18: K3, K2tog around (16sts)

K next round

Rnd 20: K2, K2tog around (12sts)

K next round

Rnd 22: K1, K2tog around (8sts)

Nut top: Work 2 rounds (all K) on those 8 sts

Rnd 25: K2tog around (4sts) (you might like to use the I Cord method from here)

Rnd 26: K2tog twice then pull a loop of yarn through the 2 remaining sts and ...



Pulling that 1st loop through the last 2 sts.

Stem: work a crochet chain (either with a hook or you can use your fingers) of about 6 chains. Cut off yarn leaving a bit of a 'tail'. With a big needle neaten the other 'tail' at the start of your knitting.

Give hat to your doll – and restrain from making comments such as “Nuts for the Nutty”.



GumBlossom

Pattern designed for a bulky hand-spun yarn of 7 WPI
These yarns are kettle dyed wool

You need about 20 gr = 0.705479 oz soft green colour (the hat in the photos took 19gr) & about 12 gr = 0.42oz in blossom colour (here a pink but could be white, cream lemon ...)

Set of DPNs 6mm / US 10 / UK 4
Or a Circ of same size if you like to work using 'Magic Loop' method

Gauge 12sts = 4" or 10cm

With Blossom Colour Cast on 65 sts, distribute evenly over 3 DPNs and, without twisting, join in the round working a p2tog using the first and last stitches – now you'll have 64sts. (this is my preferred method of joining in a round & avoiding a 'bump' at the start)



Blossom: Work K3, p1 around for 3 rounds

4: * slip1, k2tog, pssso, p1 repeat from * around (32sts) break off blossom colour

Nut: Go to green nut colour and K around
Nut edge: Work 2 rounds purling every stitch

And continue in green as for the GumNut from
"Nut: next 6 rounds K every stitch".