

~ Montana Hat by Nikki Waters ~



Description:

This hat was inspired during a road trip to Montana in Jan 2013. I needed a beanie; it needed to be simple, but not plain stockinette, and something I could make while being a passenger for a couple of days. This hat turned out perfect, and kept my noggin plenty warm while playing in the snow!

Gauge: 17 sts x 27 rnds = 4" in stockinette

Size:

Measures 16" circumference, unstretched. Can easily be made larger or smaller by changing the size of the stockinette section. I recommend changing stitch count in multiples of 4, to maintain the 2x2 ribbing for the brim.

Materials:

- 1 skein (approximately 200 yards) worsted weight wool. Pictured in Malabrigo Merino Worsted in the Glazed Carrots colorway.
- Size US9 needle for preferred method of working in the round.
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends



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Directions:

Using long tail or ribbed cast on, cast on 76 stitches. Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist.

Round 1: K1, p2, *k2, p2* repeat to last stitch, k1.

Repeat round 1 until brim measures 2 1/2" or desired height.

Knit 18 sts, PM, work next 12 sts from chart or pattern directions below, pm, knit to end of round.

Cable directions, worked over 12 sts.

Row 1: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 2: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 3: p2, T4F, T4B, p2

Row 4: p4, k4, p4

Row 5: p4, C4F, p4

Row 6: p4, k4, p4

Row 7: p2, T4B, T4F, p2

Row 8, 9, 10: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 11: p2, T4F, T4B, p2

Row 12: p4, k4, p4

Row 13: p4, C4F, p4

Row 14: p4, k4, p4

Row 15: p2, T4B, T4F, p2

Row 16 - 20: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 21: p2, T4F, T4B, p2

Row 22: p4, k4, p4

Row 23: p4, C4F, p4

Row 24: p4, k4, p4

Row 25: p2, T4B, T4F, p2

Row 26: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 27: p1, T3B, p4, T3F, p1

Row 28 - 30: p1, k2, p6, k2, p1

Row 31: p1, T3F, p4, T3B, p1

Row 32: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Row 33: p2, T4F, T4B, p2

Row 34: p4, k4, p4

Row 35: p4, C4F, p4

Row 36: p4, k4, p4

Row 37: p2, T4B, T4F, p2

Row 38: p2, k2, p4, k2, p2

Abbreviations

K: Knit

P: Purl

Sts: Stitches

Rnd: Round

T4F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, P 2 sts, K 2 sts from holder

T4B: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in back, K 2 sts, P 2 sts from holder

C4F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, K 2 sts, K 2 sts from holder

T3B: Place 1 st on holder and hold in back, K 2 sts, P 1 sts from holder

T3F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, P 1 st, K 2 sts from holder

K2tog: Knit 2 sts together

P2Tog: Purl 2 sts together

Crown Decreases:

Rnd 1 - *K4, K2tog* 3 times, *p2, k2, p2tog* 2times, *K4, K2tog* across rnd. (64 sts)

Rnd 2 - K the K sts, P the P sts.

Rnd 3 - *K3, k2tog* 3 times, k1, p2, k2tog, p3, k2tog, p1, k2, k2tog, *k3, k2tog* to end (52 sts)

Rnd 4 - K the K sts, P the P sts.

Rnd 5 - *K2, k2tog* 3 times, k2, p2tog, k1, p1, p2tog, k1, p1, k2tog, *k2, k2tog* to end (39 sts)

Rnd 6 - K the K sts, P the P sts.

Rnd 7 - *K1, k2tog* 4 times, p1 p2tog, k1, p2tog, *k1, k2tog* to end (26 sts)

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Cut a 12 inch tail and use a darning needle to thread though remaining stitches, secure and weave in ends.

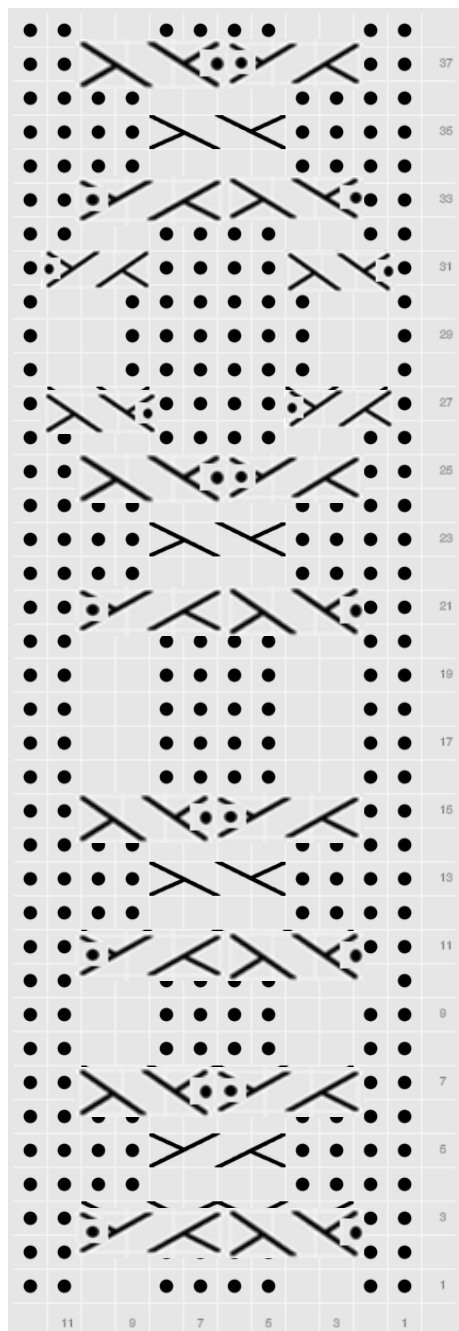
Pattern Directions with Chart:

Using long tail or ribbed cast on, cast on 76 stitches. Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist.

Round 1: K1, p2, *k2, p2* repeat to last stitch, k1.

Repeat round 1 until brim measures 2 1/2" or desired height.

Next 38 rounds: Knit 18 sts, work next 12 sts from chart, knit to end of round.

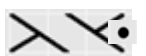


Key:

K: Knit:

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T4F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, P 2 sts, K 2 sts from holder



T4B: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in back, K 2 sts, P 2 sts from holder



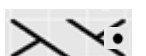
C4F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, K 2 sts, K 2 sts from holder



T3B: Place 1 st on holder and hold in back, K 2 sts, P 1 st from holder



T3F: Place 2 sts on holder and hold in front, P 1 st, K 2 sts from holder



Sts: Stitches

Rnd: Round

K2tog: Knit 2 sts together

P2Tog: Purl 2 sts together

Crown Decreases (after round 38):

Rnd 1 – *K4, K2tog* 3 times, *p2, k2, p2tog* 2times, *K4, K2tog* across rnd. (64 sts)

Rnd 2 – K the K sts, P the P sts.

Rnd 3 – *K3, k2tog* 3 times, k1, p2, k2tog, p3, k2tog, p1, k2, k2tog, *k3, k2tog* to end (52 sts)

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