

# Trench Hat

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This free hat pattern is a basic, classic hat shape with a little bit of fun colour thrown in to spice things up. Feel free to mix up the colour motif and use this pattern as a template for all of your colourful experiments! This hat fits tight on the head, for something with a bit more slouch simply add length to the body.

## Yarn

TFA Green Lable Aran Weight yarn (100% superwash merino, 115g = 205yds). Partial skeins of 4 complementary colourways labeled A, B, C and D - you will use the most of Colour D.

## Size:

One size fits most :: fits a range of heads from 19" – 23" circumference. Finished hat measures 8.5" tall. To adjust the size try going up or down a needle size, or add an extra 8 stitch repeat.

## Gauge

20 sts and 28 rows = 4" square in stockinette stitch.

## Needles

4 mm (US size 6) 16" circular needle.  
4.5 mm (US size 7) 16" circular needle  
4.5 mm (US size 7) set of 4 dpns.

## Additional Tools and Materials

Tapestry needle, stitch marker.

### Abbreviations:

**k** :: knit

**p** :: purl

**k2tog** :: knit 2 stitches together as one.

### Instructions:

With smaller circular needles and Colour A, cast on 88 stitches. Join for working in the round being careful not to twist, place marker to note beginning of round.

Work in ribbing for 1.5". For this hat I chose to work mistake rib, but a simple 1x1 or 2x2 ribbing would work just as nicely if you prefer.

### Mistake Rib in the round:

**round 1:** knit all stitches.

**round 2:** (k1, p1) to end of round.

Switch to larger circular needles and begin working chart, switching colours as indicated. Once chart is complete, work straight in Colour D until hat measures 6" from cast on edge.

**Next, work decreases**, switching to dpns when stitches no longer fit comfortably on circular needles:

**Round 1:** \*k6, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Rounds 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10:** k 1 round even.

**Round 3:** \*k5, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Round 5:** \*k4, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Round 7:** \*k3, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Round 9:** \*k2, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Round 11:** \* k1, k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

**Round 12:** \*k2tog\* repeat to end of round.

Cut yarn leaving a 6 inch tail, thread tail through remaining stitches and pull to tighten. Weave in ends, block and enjoy! Oh, and bonus points if you decide to add a pompom!

### Chart:

