

## Sugar Maple Hat

This simple stockinette hat was inspired by the warm and cozy colors of the Koigu Kertsi merino yarn used in the pictures. The brilliant yellows and oranges of changing leaves and the dark grays of chilly nights all asked to be knit into a comfy, slouchy fall hat. So, knit this up and wear it on all of your pumpkin picking, hot cider drinking, hay riding autumn adventures.



**Yarn:** 2 skeins of Koigu Kersti Merino Crepe (100% Merino Wool 50g/114yds)

**Needles:** Size 5US (3.75mm) dpns and size 6US (4mm) dpns.

**Size:** One size. Unstretched ribbing is 16" in circumference. Made to fit approximate head circumference of 21".

**Gauge:** 21 stitches on size 6 needles= 4 inches

**Abbreviations:**

K: knit

P: purl

K2tog: knit two stitches together as if they were one.

CO: cast on

BO: bind off



**Pattern**

Using your favorite method (Long Tail Cast On used in photos) and size 5 dpns, CO 100 sts. Join in the round being careful not to twist sts.

Work in k2, p2 rib for 18 rounds.

Switch to size 6 dpns.

Work in stockinette st until the entire length (including rib) measures 9 inches.

Decrease rows:

1. K8, k2tog; repeat to end (90 st remain).
2. K around.
3. K7, k2tog; repeat to end (80 st remain).
4. K around.
5. K6, k2tog; repeat to end (70 st remain).
6. K around.
7. K5, k2tog; repeat to end (60 st remain).
8. K around.
9. K4, k2tog; repeat to end (50 st remain).
10. K3, k2tog; repeat to end (40 st remain).
11. K2, k2tog; repeat to end (30 st remain).
12. K1, k2tog; repeat to end (20 st remain).
13. K2tog; repeat to end (10 st remain)
14. K2tog; repeat to end (5 st remain).

Break yarn. Thread yarn through the remaining stitches. Secure and weave in ends.

