



## CONTEMPORARY COLORWORK HAT

### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

US size 7 (4.5mm) 16" circular needles  
US size 8 (5.0mm) 16" circular needles  
Set of size 8 (5.0mm) double pointed needles  
Plymouth Yarns Baby Alpaca Brush  
(Chunky - 80% Baby Alpaca/20% Acrylic)  
2 x 50g/110yd balls for main color  
1 x 50g/110yd ball for contrasting color  
Stitch markers  
2.5" pom-pom maker

### TECHNIQUES USED

Knitting in the round  
Stranded colorwork  
Difficulty rating: Medium

### RECOMMENDED GAUGE

22 stitches = 4 inches

# INSTRUCTIONS

**SIZES GIVEN ARE FOR SMALL (CHILD), MEDIUM (WOMEN) AND LARGE (MEN).**

Using smaller needles, and main color, cast on 78 (90, 102) stitches. Place a stitch marker to indicate end of round.

Being careful not to twist, join in the round and work in k1, p1 rib until hat measures 4.5 (5, 6) inches from cast on edge.

Switch to larger needles.

**Increase round small size only:**

[m1, k13] 6 times (84 stitches)

**Increase round medium size only:**

k1, [m1, k11] 8 times, k1 (98 stitches)

**Increase round large size only:**

k1, [m1, k10] 10 times, k1 (112 stitches)

Using MC and CC, work 34 rows from chart. (For small size, start at row 5 and end at row 30.)

For all sizes, continue in MC only. Switch to double pointed needles when necessary.

Knit 1 rnd.

**Decrease rnd 1:** [Knit 5, k2 tog.] Repeat around.

Knit 1 rnd.

**Decrease rnd 2:** [Knit 4, k2 tog.] Repeat around.

Knit 1 rnd.

**Decrease rnd 3:** [Knit 3, k2 tog.] Repeat around.

Knit 1 rnd.

**Decrease rnd 4:** [Knit 2, k2 tog.] Repeat around.

Knit 1 round.

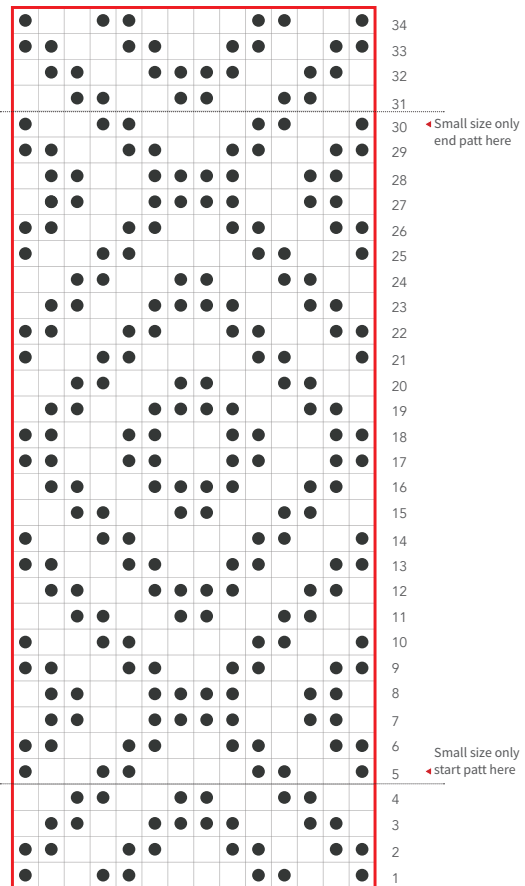
**Decrease rnd 5:** [Knit 1, k2 tog.] Repeat around.

Knit 1 rnd.

**Decrease rnd 6:** [K2 tog around.] Repeat around.

Cut yarn and thread through remaining 12 (14, 16) stitches. Pull tight to close and weave in ends.

Sew in ends. Add a 2.5 inch pompom in MC.



- = Pattern Repeat 6 (7, 8) repeats around
- = Main Color (MC)
- = Contrasting Color (CC)



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