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All Day Beret with Debbie Stoller

This lace beret won't take all day to knit but you'll want to keep wearing it all day long to show it off. Debbie shows you how to cast on with smaller circular needles and create the ribbed band, then switch to larger circulars and create the lace pattern. You'll learn left-leaning diagonals and right-leaning diagonals to create this sweet zig-zag pattern, as well as decreasing at the end.



What You'll Learn

Working in the round

- Lace knitting
- Using double pointed needles
- Knit ribbing

Materials Needed

- One ball worsted weight yarn (Debbie uses Stitch Nation by Debbie Stoller™ Bamboo Ewe™ - in Periwinkle)
- Size 5 16" circular needles
- Size 8 16" circular needle
- 4 size 8 double-pointed needles
- Stitch markers
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors

Gauge

 20sts + 4"; 24 rows = 4" in pattern stitch using larger needles. Check your gauge! Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

Abbreviations

K = knit; k2tog = knit the next two sts together; mm = millimeters, P = purl;
psso = pass the slipped st over; ssk = slip, slip, knit these 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch (es);
* or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; rnd = round; RS = right side;
WS = wrong side; yo = yarn over needle.

Notes

Hat is worked in the round. As stitches are decreased and no longer fit on circular needles, divide them among 3 double pointed needles to complete. This stitch pattern creates a reversible fabric; however, right side and wrong side rows are not identical. Model hat shown with wrong side of fabric. **Alternate crown shaping included for right side finishing.

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Diagonal Stitch (Multiple of 4 sts) Left Diagonal: Rnd 1: * P1, ssk, yo, k1; repeat from * around. Rnd 2: * P1, k3; repeat from * around. Right Diagonal: Rnd 1: * P1, k1, yo, k2tog; repeat from * around. Rnd 2: * P1, k3; repeat from * around.

Hat: With smaller needles, cast on 104 sts. Place marker for beginning of rnd and join, being careful not to twist sts.

Brim ribbing: Rnd 1: *P2, k2; repeat from * around. Repeat Rnd 1 until piece measures 1".

Next rnd: Change to larger needles and begin Left Diagonal Stitch Pattern. Work until piece measures 4" from beginning, ending with Rnd 2.

Next rnd: Begin Right Diagonal Stitch Pattern. Work until piece measures 6½" from beginning, ending with Rnd 2.

Next rnd: Repeat Left Diagonal Stitch Pattern until piece measures 81/2" from beginning, ending with Rnd 2.

Shape Crown:

Rnd 1 (dec): * P1, ssk, k1; repeat from * around (78 sts).
Rnd 2: * P1, k2; repeat from * around.
Rnd 3 (dec): * P1, ssk; repeat from * around (52 sts).
Rnd 4: * P1, k1; repeat from * around.
Rnd 5 (dec): * Slip 1 purlwise, p1, psso; repeat from * around (26 sts).
Rnd 6: Purl.
Rnd 7 (dec): P2tog around. Cut yarn leaving long tail. Thread yarn through remaining 13 sts to secure. Turn hat inside out. Weave in ends.

**Alternate Crown Shaping
Rnds 1–4: Same as for WS shaping.
Rnd 5 (Dec): Ssk around (26 sts).
Rnd 6: Knit.
Rnd 7 (Dec): Ssk around. Cut yarn leaving long tail. Thread yarn through remaining 13 sts to secure. Weave in ends.