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Bikers beanie hat pattern

I designed this hat by request of my husband to fit under his cycle helmet. It is still his favourite knitted thing.

Materials

Set of 4 (more if you have them) 2.5mm double pointed needles (dpn's)

50g 4ply sock yarn

darning needle

Size

This should fit any adult with a head circumference of around 60cm, usually comes halfway down over ears. If you want it longer, work more rows as appropriate before shaping of top starts. If your head is bigger than 59cm, add on sts, 2.8 stitches per cm e.g. if you want it 61cm, add 5 extra. Take any extra stitches into account when working the shaping.

Abbreviations

k knit

p purl

st stitch

k2tog knit 2 stitches together

st st stocking stitch



Instructions

With dpn's cast on 168 sts. Divide sts between 3 (more if you have them, 4 or 5 maybe at the start) and start working in the round as follows:

Round 1: *K1, P1, repeat from * to end of round.

Repeat this round 5 more times.

Continue in st st (knit every row) until work measures approx. 10cm from cast on edge.

Continuing in st st work decrease as follows:

1st round: *K19, k2tog, repeat from * to end

2nd and every even round: k

3rd round: *K18, k2tog, repeat from * to end

5th round: *K17, k2tog, repeat from * to end

Continue in this manner until you have completed following round:

*K5, k2tog, repeat from * to end

Now continue as before BUT work decreasing round on every row until 16sts remain.

Next round: *K2tog, repeat from * to end (8sts)

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Break yarn leaving long tail and using darning
needle thread yarn through remaining 8 sts and
draw up tightly. Secure end.