

Wikiwiki hat



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a fast adventure in hat knitting

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In Hawaiian, something quick is said to be “wikiwiki.” With this hat I envisioned a fast way of turning beautiful handspun in to wearable art! It is a simple, straightforward knit with a few bits to keep you interested right off, but mellows in to stockinette in the round to showcase the handspun’s unique beauty (or any yarn really). My suggestion is to treat yourself to Infinite Twist’s Orbit Heather handspun wool if you don’t spin yourself...or even if you do!

Finished Measurements:

18” [46 cm] band circumference

unstretched

7” [18cm] from brim to crown

Yarn:

- 1 skein Orbit heather (100% handspun wool) 120 yds/100g

Needles:

- One 24” circular needle in US 7 [4.5 mm]

- One 24” circular needle in US 9 [5.5 mm]

Notions:

- stitch marker
- tapestry needle

Gauge

8 sts x 12 rows for 2 inches in stockinette

Stockinette Stitch: (in the round)

Knit every row

HAT PATTERN:

Begin at brim

With smaller needles and using long tail method CO 72 st. Being careful not to

twist, place marker and join to begin working in the round.

Round 1: Work in stockinette.

Work 6 more rounds as round 1.

Next Round: Bind off all sts to last sts — 1 st remains.

Next Round: With RS facing, pick up from WS the purl bump just below BO edge to create the braided band (see image below) — 72 sts



For a helpful tutorial on picking up in this manner head here:

<http://wp.me/P4SXha-teN>

Join to work in the round

Rounds 1 & 2: Work in stockinette

Rounds 3 & 4: *yo, k2, pass yo over 2 sts, k2* 18 times for round

Rounds 5 & 6: work in stockinette

Next Round: Bind off all sts to last st — 1 st remains.

In the same manner as before, with RS facing, pick up from WS the purl bump just below BO edge to create the braided band.

Switching to size US 9 needles work in stockinette for 17 rounds.



Abbreviations:

BO:	bind off
CO:	cast on
k:	knit
k2tog	knit 2 together
p:	purl
skp	slip, knit, pass slipped st
over	
st(s)	stitch(es)
yo	yarn over

Thanks for knitting this pattern. I would love to see what you've made. Connect with me on Instagram where you'll find me as @mskiknits or head here: <https://www.instagram.com/mskiknits/>

Crown shaping:

Round 1: *p 1, skp, k13, k2tog* repeat for round (64 sts)

Round 2: *p1, skp, k11, k2tog* repeat for round (56 sts)

Round 3: *p1, skp, k9, k2tog* repeat for round (48 sts)

Round 4: *p1, skp, k7, k2tog* repeat for round (40 sts)

Round 5: *p1, skp, k5, k2tog* repeat for round (32 sts)

Round 6: *p1, skp, k3, k2tog* repeat for round (24 sts)

Round 7: *p1, skp, k1, k2tog* repeat for round (16 sts)

Round 8: *p1, skp, k2tog* repeat for round (8 sts)

Break yarn using tapestry needle secure remaining stitches weave in any loose ends.

Soak and block.