

LE PULL

LEON EASY BEANIE



ABOUT PATTERN

Leon Easy Beanie is the must-have accessory to make your dog even cuter than they already are.

It is worked in garter stitch back and forth on either straight or circular needles. Start your work with a long tail cast-on then continue back and forth until you reach the end. Finally, sew the side edges together and finish by creating a seam on the top of the hat.

SIZE AND MEASUREMENTS

To knit the Leon Easy Beanie tailored to your pup, you'll need to:

- A. Measure the space between your dog's ears on the forehead.
- B. Measure the width of the base of their ears.
- C. Measure the space between their ears at the back of the neck.
- D. Measure the height between the back of the neck and the top of the head.
- F. Measure the ears height from its base to the highest point at the top of the head.

Leon's measurements: A: 21 cm - B: 2 cm - C: 8 cm - D: 10 cm - F: 5 cm

YARNS AND MATERIALS

Approx. 40 g of leftover yarns. The following yarns were used in the pattern: Peer Gynt from Sandness Garn - Cahlista from Scheepjes - Fine Merino (in double stranding) from Majo Garn.

NOTE: In this pattern, different yarn thicknesses are used. To achieve approximately the same thickness, I occasionally knitted with two strands held together and at other times with a single strand.

Straight or circular needles 4 mm [60 cm]

Double pointed or circular needles 3.5 mm

French knitter: Prym 624181 Comfort Twist. *Optional, but I highly recommend using the french knitter to make straps. It's very quick and the result is much prettier than hand-knitting. Instructions for hand knitting i-cord straps will also be given below.*

Tapestry needle

GAUGE

20 sts x 34 rows = 10 x 10 cm in Garter Stitch on needle size 4 mm.

Make a swatch to achieve the same gauge as indicated above. Needle size is only a guide. If you get too many stitches on 10 cm = 4", change to a larger needle size. If you get too few stitches on 10 cm = 4", change to a smaller needle size.

STITCHES AND TECHNIQUES

LONG TAIL CAST-ON

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SXA3gBNiSiM>

GARTER STITCH BACK AND FORTH

Row 1 (RS): Knit all stitches to end of row

Row 2 (WS): Knit all stitches to end of row

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Gth9LGDvo8>

MAGICAL KNOT TO JOIN THE YARN

Use this method to join the yarns when switching colors.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NcRJATY24Uk>

HORIZONTAL INVISIBLE SEAM (TO SEW THE SIDE EDGES TOGETHER)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-a_TEjjRRlc

MULTI STRAND KNITTING (DOUBLE STRANDING)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bppJ1Mrq0Y>

CLASSIC BIND OFF

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZLoCXEtOhIE>

ABBREVIATIONS

cn: circular needle - ndls: needles - rs: right side - ws: wrong side - r: rows - k: knit - p: purl - w: work - st: stitch - sts: stitches - rep: repeat - sm: slip marker - pm: place marker

Read all the instructions above and watch the video tutorials before beginning your work. All the instructions and videos used for this pattern are English knitting techniques.

Leon's beanie will be used as an example throughout the pattern.

Once all measurements have been taken, convert the measurements in centimeters into stitches/rows using the gauge.

CALCULATIONS

TOP OF HAT

The top of hat has a negative height of 2 cm:

Use measurement D to determine how many centimeters the top of the beanie should measure:

Leon's measurement: 10 cm - 2 cm = 8 cm. The top of the beanie should measure 8 cm to fit Leon's head.

Now convert 8 cm in sts: pattern gauge 20 sts = 10 cm : [8 cm x 20 sts / 10 cm] = 16 sts.

FOLDED BRIM

Once folded, the brim of Leon's beanie measures 4 cm.

Before folding, it measures 8 cm in the front and back and 5 cm along each ear. You can choose to make a shorter or longer brim.

Just perform the same calculation as above to convert centimeters into stitches.

Leon's beanie brim (front and back): $8\text{ cm} [8\text{ cm} \times 20\text{ sts} / 10\text{ cm}] = 16\text{ sts}$

Leon's beanie brim (along ears): $5\text{ cm} [5\text{ cm} \times 20\text{ sts} / 10] = 10\text{ sts}$. This measurement will be used later in the pattern.

TOP OF HAT & BRIM

Now add the top of hat sts and the brim sts :

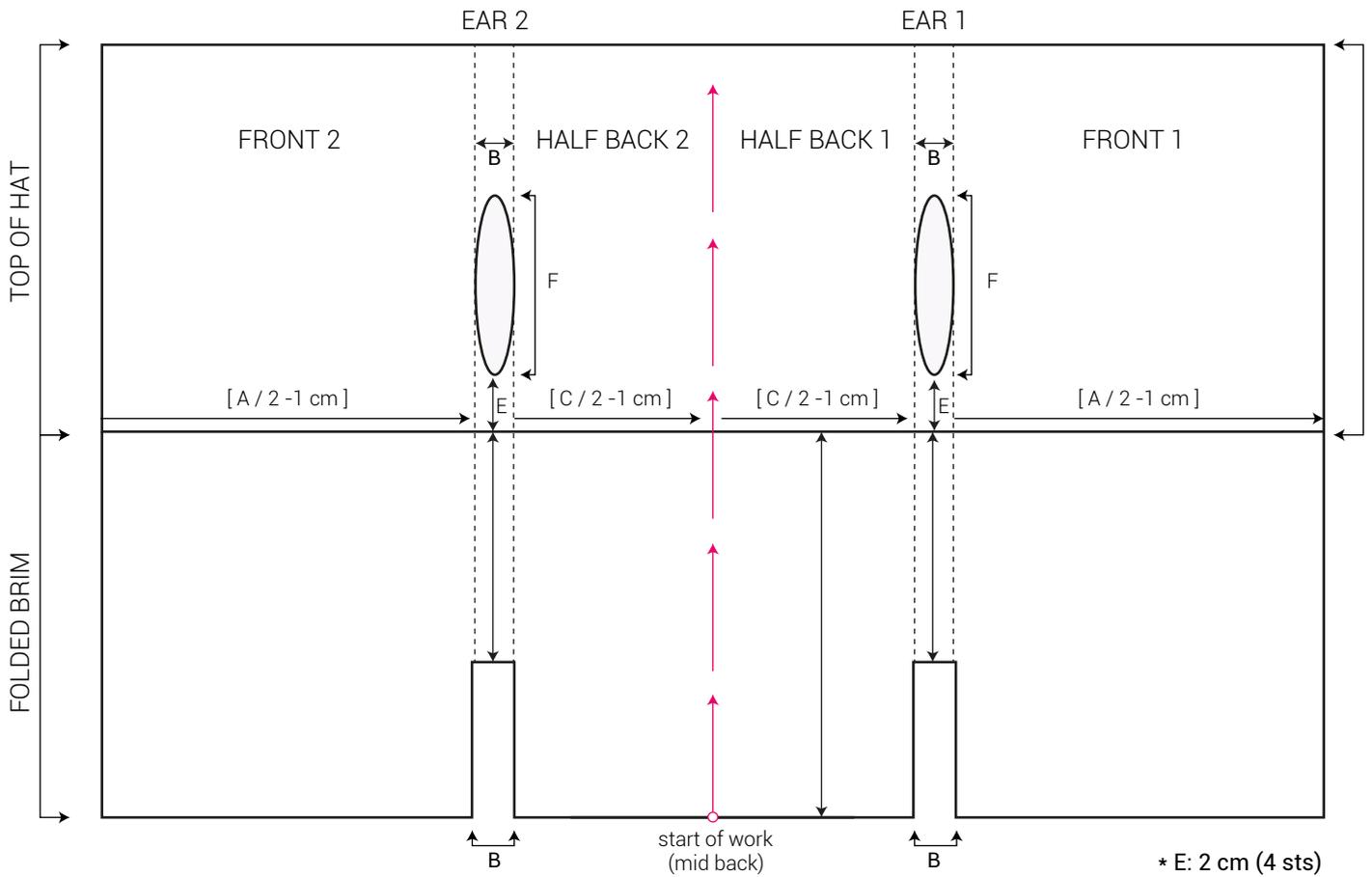
Leon's hat: $16\text{ sts} + 16\text{ sts} = 32\text{ sts}$

Now that you know the number of stitches to cast on, the pattern can begin.

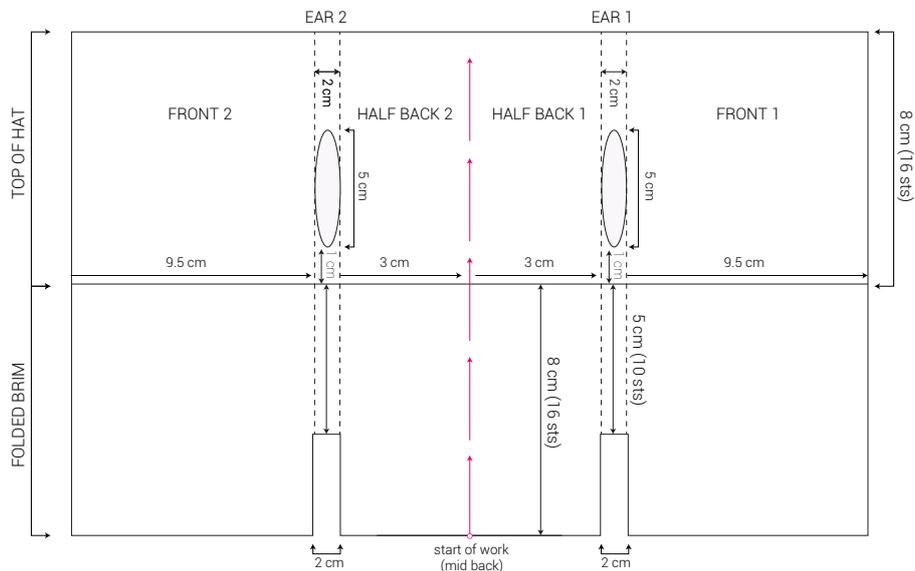
PATTERN

The beanie is divided into 3 sections. It starts from the half back to the opening for the right ear, then the front to the opening for the left ear, and finally the second half back.

Write your measurements on the diagram below before you start knitting your project.



Scheme with Leon's measurements:



The following instructions provide Leon's measurements for reference. Please substitute them with your dog's measurements for a customized fit. All values within parentheses should be replaced with your own measurements/calculations.

HALF BACK 1

With 4 mm [60 cm] circular needles or with straight needles, cast-on (32) sts using the long tail cast-on method. Work (3) cm back and forth in garter stitch, end with a WS row.

EAR 1

On the RS of work, bind off (6) sts using the classic bind off method, then knit to end of row. There are now (26) sts on your circular needles.
Work (1) cm from the where sts were bound off.

Then bind off sts for the ear opening as follows:

On the RS row, k (10) sts for the brim, k 4 sts for the E part, bind off the next (8) sts for the F part, k (4) sts to end of row. Now let the (14) sts for the brim, E and F parts rest on the needles while the last (4) sts of the top of hat are being worked. Work these (4) sts in garter sts back and forth for (1.5) cm, end with a WS row. Do not bind off sts, let them rest on the needles while the other (14) sts are being worked. Break the yarn leaving about 15 cm long tail to weave in the ends.

On the WS of work, tie the yarn and knit (14) sts to end of row. Then work in garter sts back and forth for (1.5) cm, end with a WS row.

On the next RS row, k (14), cast-on (8) new sts in extension of those already on needles using the backward loop method, k (4) sts. There are now 26 sts on your 4 mm [60 cm] circular needles.

FRONT 1 & 2

On the next WS row, work (26) sts, cast-on (6) new sts in extension of those already on needles using the backward loop method. There are now (32) sts on your 4 mm [60 cm] circular needles.

Now work in garter stitch back and forth until the work measures (19) cm from the where the (6) sts were cast-on. End with a WS row.

EAR 2

On the RS of work, bind off (6) sts using the classic bind off method, then knit to end of row. There are now (26) sts on your circular needles.
Work (1) cm from the where sts were bound off.

Then bind off sts for the ear opening as follows:

On the RS row, k (10) sts for the brim, k 4 sts for the E part, bind off the next (8) sts for the F part, k (4) sts to end of row. Now let the (14) sts for the brim, E and F parts rest on the needles while the last (4) sts of the top of hat are being worked. Work these (4) sts in garter sts back and forth for (1.5) cm, end with a WS row. Do not bind off sts, let them rest on the needles while the other (14) sts are being worked. Break the yarn leaving about 15 cm long tail to weave in the ends.

On the WS of work, tie the yarn and knit (14) sts to end of row. Then work in garter sts back and forth for (1.5) cm, end with a WS row.

On the next RS row, k (14), cast-on (8) new sts in extension of those already on needles using the backward loop method, k (4) sts. There are now 26 sts on your 4 mm [60 cm] circular needles.

HALF BACK 2

On the next WS row, work (26) sts, cast-on (6) new sts in extension of those already on needles using the backward loop method. There are now (32) sts on your 4 mm [60 cm] circular needles.

Now work in garter stitch back and forth until the work measures (3) cm from the where the (6) sts were cast-on. End with a WS row.

Bind off all sts using the classic bind off method. Break the yarn leaving about 30 cm long tail to sew the sides edge.

SEAM

Insert the 30 cm tail into a tapestry needle RS facing, sew the ends of the beanie along the height direction (from the top down) using the Horizontal Invisible Seam method (scheme 3).

Now close the top of the hat as follows:

Cut a piece of yarn approximately 20 cm long, thread it through a tapestry needle. Turn the beanie inside out for seaming, then pass the tapestry needle through every other stitch around the top of the beanie. Pull the yarn tight to close the top of the beanie and secure with several tight knots (scheme 4).

On the RS, fold the hem of the beanie twice and sew it to secure (scheme 5).

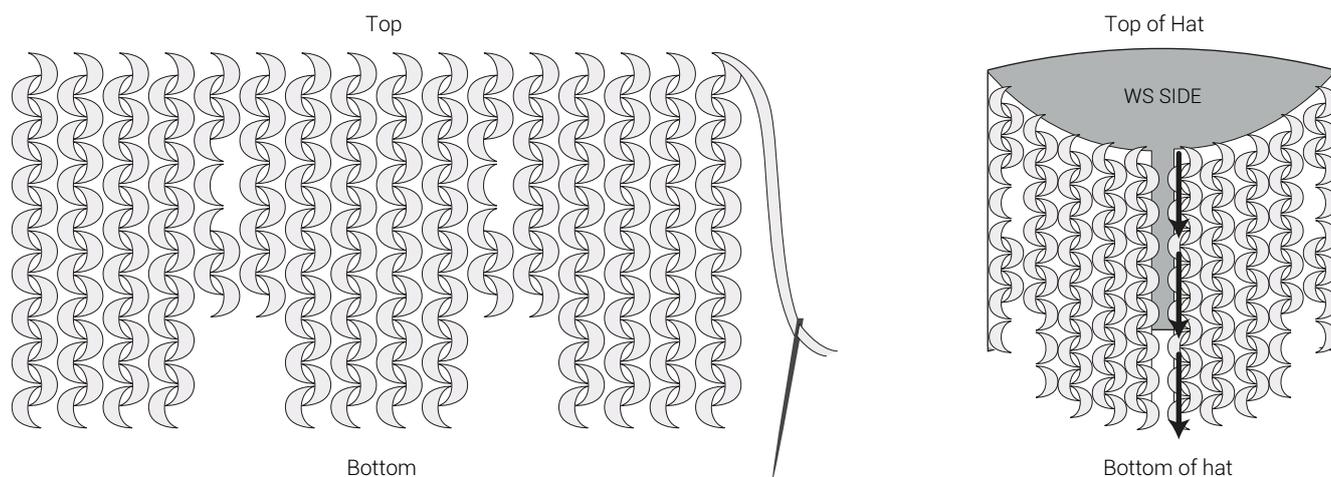
I- CORD STRAPS [If you do not have a french knitter]

With 3.5 mm double pointed needles cast- on 4 sts and repeat the 2 rows below to knit a 45 cm strap. Break the yarn and pass the ends into the 4 sts twice.

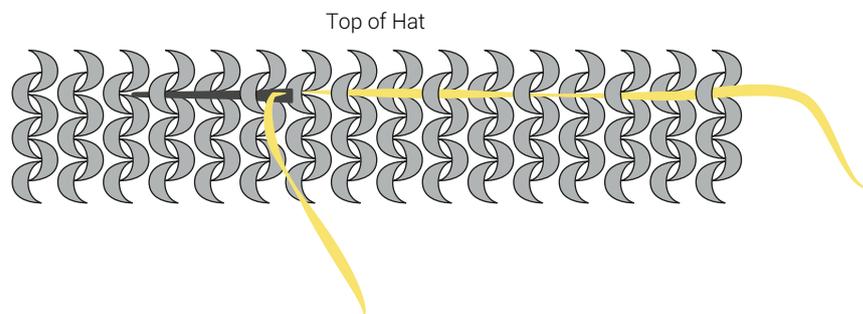
Row 1 (RS): * k1, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front rep *_* on every sts
Row 2 (WS): * k1, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front* rep *_* on every sts

Work the other strap identically.

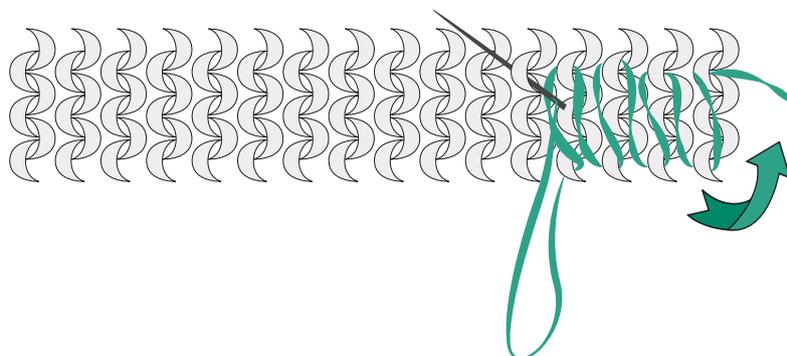
SCHEME 3



SCHEME 4



SCHEME 5



FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Place the beanie on your dog's head to determine the best location for the straps, then sew them inside the beanie.

HURRAY – a wonderful and cool hat is finished. Show us your finished hat on Instagram knitting pages with [#leoneasybeanie](#) [@le_pull_le_pull](#)

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