



MUSSELBURGH

popular double layer, multi-gauge beanie

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Have a single skein of yarn you're not sure what to do with? Need something simple to keep your hands busy during zoom meetings? Looking for a gift that everyone will appreciate? Want to cast on right away without any prep? Cast on today, no swatching required, and discover for yourself why so many knitters have fallen in love with Musselburgh.

In what is essentially a three step project you'll start with a centre-out cast-on and increase for the first crown; the next part is a beautifully meditative knit (perfect for those zoom calls!) of stockinette in the round; finally, you will finish off the hat by mirroring the initial shaping with decreases. This simple canvas is perfect for exploring your creativity through yarn choice, stripes or colour blocking. The hat is fully reversible, so working each half in a different colour or stripe sequence can turn it into two completely different hats in one.

Adventurous beginner looking to grow your skills? See our video [Getting started with Musselburgh](#).

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PATTERN SUPPORT

This pattern has been thoroughly tech edited and tested and we hope you find it clear and easy to follow. If errors are found we issue updates via email, so if it's been a while since you purchased this pattern please double check that you have the most up to date version by comparing the version number in the footer to that listed on the Musselburgh pattern page on our [website](#).

If you have a question, that isn't covered in the pattern, accompanying videos or on our support page, or if you think you've found an error please email support@ysolda.com

THE PATTERN

NEEDLES

Dpns or circulars for your preferred method of working small circumferences in the round.

16" / 40cm circular (for sizes above baby)

Choose a needle size based on your knowledge of your personal tension and the recommended needle size for your yarn. If using sock yarn use a needle a couple of sizes larger than you would use for socks.

NOTIONS

Stitch markers

SHARE YOUR PROJECT!

We love seeing your works in progress and finished projects. Use the hashtag **#MusselburghHat** and tag **@ysolda** so that we don't miss them!

	SIZE					
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
Finished hat circumference	Will vary depending on gauge, but is approximately 20% smaller than the 'To fit head circumference. Don't panic if your hat looks small.					
	INCHES					
To fit head circumference	16	18	20	22	24	26
Unfolded length	15 ³ / ₄	17 ³ / ₄	19 ³ / ₄	22 ¹ / ₄	24 ³ / ₄	27 ¹ / ₄
Length with brim folded up	5 ¹ / ₄	6	6 ³ / ₄	7 ³ / ₄	8 ³ / ₄	9 ³ / ₄
	CM					
To fit head circumference	40	45	50	55	60	65
Unfolded length	39.5	44.5	49.5	55.5	62	68
Length with brim folded up	13	15	17	19.5	22	24.5

YARN

Heavy laceweight to DK weight yarn.

Exact yardage will depend on size, gauge and yarn used.

SHOWN IN

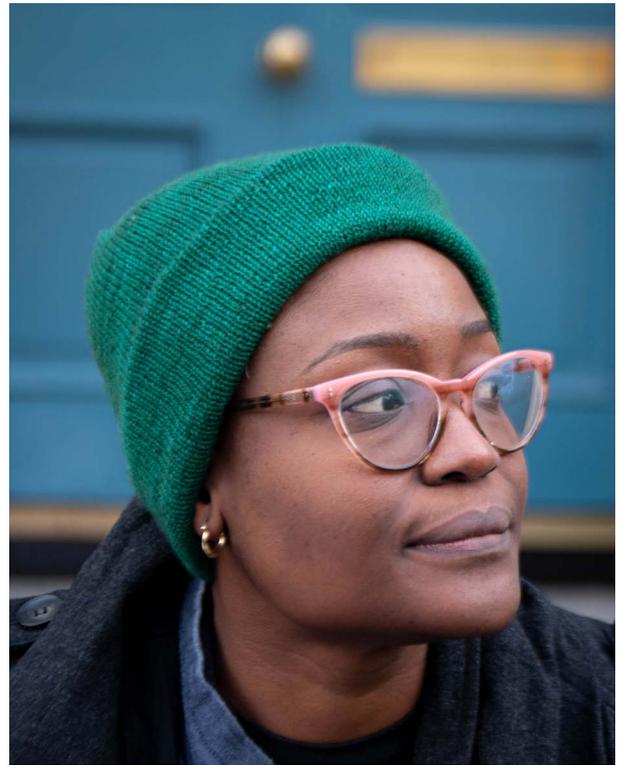
Weku Enjoli Merino/Nylon Sock (75% Superwash Merino, 25% Nylon, 425m, 100g) in Enjoli. Adult Medium.

Neighborhood Fiber Co Studio Sock (100% Merino, 400 yds / 366m, 4oz / 114g) in Broadway Market. Adult Large.

GAUGE PER INCH / 2.5CM	SIZE					
	BABY	TODDLER	CHILD- ADULT SMALL	ADULT MEDIUM	ADULT LARGE	ADULT X-LARGE
	YARDS					
9 STS	390	450	470	520	580	630
8.5 STS	370	430	450	500	560	610
8 STS	340	390	430	470	520	560
7.5 STS	320	370	390	450	470	520
7 STS	300	340	370	430	450	500
6.5 STS	300	320	340	390	430	450
6 STS	200	230	270	370	430	480
5.5 STS	170	210	250	320	390	450
5 STS	150	190	230	300	340	390
	METRES					
9 STS	360	410	430	480	530	580
8.5 STS	340	390	410	460	510	560
8 STS	310	360	390	430	480	510
7.5 STS	290	340	360	410	430	480
7 STS	270	310	340	390	410	460
6.5 STS	270	290	310	360	390	410
6 STS	180	210	250	340	390	440
5.5 STS	160	190	230	290	360	410
5 STS	140	170	210	270	310	360

ABBREVIATIONS

dec	decrease
dpn(s)	double pointed needle(s)
inc	increase
k2tog	knit 2 together (a R leaning dec)
kfb	knit in the front and back of same st
m	stitch marker
m1L	make one left – pick up the strand between the needles with L needle tip from the front and knit into the back of loop
m1R	make one right – pick up the strand between the needles with the L needle tip from the back and knit it normally
rep	repeat(ing)
rnd(s)	round(s)
ssk	slip, slip, knit – sl 2 sts knitwise individually, insert L needle into slipped sts from L to R, k these 2 sts together (a L leaning dec)
st(s)	stitch(es)



PATTERN NOTE

The Musselburgh hat is written for multiple gauges, you can start knitting the hat with whichever needle size feels comfortable for you for the yarn you are using. You'll measure your gauge on your hat in progress and then follow the directions for your gauge and chosen size.

DIRECTIONS

Cast on 8 stitches using your preferred centre out cast on (eg. disappearing loop, I-cord belly button, or Emily Ocker's Cast On) and divide stitches as follows:

Using 5 dpns: 2 stitches on each of 4 needles.

Using 4 dpns: 2 stitches on first 2 needles, 4 on the third with a marker at the centre.

Magic loop or 2 circulars: 4 stitches on each needle (tip), with markers at the centre of each.

Rnd 1: kfb in each stitch (16 sts).

Rnd 2: knit.

Rnd 3: (k1, m1L, k2, m1R, k1) 4 times. 8 sts inc'd.

Rnd 4: knit.

INCREASE SECTION

When directed to work to marker, work to either the next marker or the end of the current needle.

Rnd 5 — inc rnd: *k2, m1L, k to 2 sts before m, m1R, k2; rep from * 3 more times. 8 sts inc'd.

Rnd 6: knit.

Rep rnds 5 & 6 until you have enough fabric to measure stitches over 1" / 2.5cm. With the crown laid flat measure the gauge a few rounds below the needle and away from the increases. Take care not to stretch the fabric and that all of the stitches you're counting are in the same round.

Use this stitch gauge with the tables below to find the number to use for your gauge and size.

Continue repeating rnds 5 & 6 until the total number of increase rounds worked (excluding the initial kfb round) is:

GAUGE	SIZE					
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
9	12	14	15	17	19	21
8.5	11	13	14	16	18	20
8	10	12	13	15	17	18
7.5	9	11	12	14	15	17
7	8	10	11	13	14	16
6.5	8	9	10	12	13	14
6	7	8	9	11	12	13
5.5	6	7	8	9	11	12
5	5	6	7	8	9	10

The number of stitches in each of the four segments is:

GAUGE	SIZE					
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
9	28	32	34	38	42	46
8.5	26	30	32	36	40	44
8	24	28	30	34	38	40
7.5	22	26	28	32	34	38
7	20	24	26	30	32	36
6.5	20	22	24	28	30	32
6	18	20	22	26	28	30
5.5	16	18	20	22	26	28
5	14	16	18	20	22	24

Knit 3 rnds.

Work rnd 5 once more. Leave markers in place for straight section as you'll need them for the decreases.

The number of stitches in each of the four segments is:

GAUGE	SIZE					
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
Sts per inch / 2.5cm						
9	30	34	36	40	44	48
8.5	28	32	34	38	42	46
8	26	30	32	36	40	42
7.5	24	28	30	34	36	40
7	22	26	28	32	34	38
6.5	22	24	26	30	32	34
6	20	22	24	28	30	32
5.5	18	20	22	24	28	30
5	16	18	20	22	24	26

The total stitch count is:

GAUGE	SIZE					
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
Sts per inch / 2.5cm						
9	120	136	144	160	176	192
8.5	112	128	136	152	168	184
8	104	120	128	144	160	168
7.5	96	112	120	136	144	160
7	88	104	112	128	136	152
6.5	88	96	104	120	128	136
6	80	88	96	112	120	128
5.5	72	80	88	96	112	120
5	64	72	80	88	96	104

STRAIGHT SECTION

Knit even until total length from cast on measures:

	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
INCHES	13½	15¼	17	19¼	21½	23½
CM	34	38	42.5	48	54	59

COLOUR BLOCKING

See next page for inspiration and guidance on where to change colours.

DECREASE SECTION

Weave in any ends (on the inside) before working decreases.

Next rnd — dec rnd: *k1, ssk, k to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, rep from * 3 more times. 8 sts dec'd.

Knit 3 rnds even.

Next rnd — dec rnd: *k1, ssk, k to 3 sts before m, k2tog, k1, rep from * 3 more times. 8 sts dec'd.

Next rnd: knit.

Rep last 2 rnds until 16 sts remain.

Next rnd: (k2tog, ssk) to end.

FINISHING

Break yarn and draw through 8 remaining stitches, pulling up tightly.

Use a sharp darning needle to skim remaining yarn through the backs of about 2" / 5cm of stitches, then bring needle back to right side further away, leaving tail on inside.

Wet block. After blocking open up tube and tuck one end inside the other, bringing ends together.

MODIFICATIONS

Make Musselburgh your own with colour blocking, stripes, or holding multiple yarns together to create a marled effect or add a fluffy halo. In this section you'll find our tips for working with stripes and scrap yarns, plus an illustrated guide to help you plan your project. Working each section of the hat in a different colour, yarn or pattern will create four different looks when worn. For effortless fun we love using self striping yarns for Musselburgh!

TIPS FOR STRIPES

STRIPES WHILE INCREASING FOR THE CROWN

Work at least the first three rounds in a single colour. Then switch colours after knitting the first two stitches of the round with the previous colour.

For stripes with an even number of rounds work the stripes so that the first round of each stripe is not an increase round.

JOGLESS STRIPES

When the crown increases are complete work jogless stripes. There are several methods, we like the yarn over method which is worked as follows: Knit the first stitch of the round in the old colour. Slip this stitch back to the left needle and drop the old colour. Bring the new colour between the needles from back to front; return the slipped stitch to the right needle and bring the new colour to the back, creating a yarn over in the new colour. Knit to the end of the round. At the beginning of the next round knit the first stitch and the yarn over together.

Try working stripes on only one half of the hat, or only some of the sections blocked out in the illustration below.

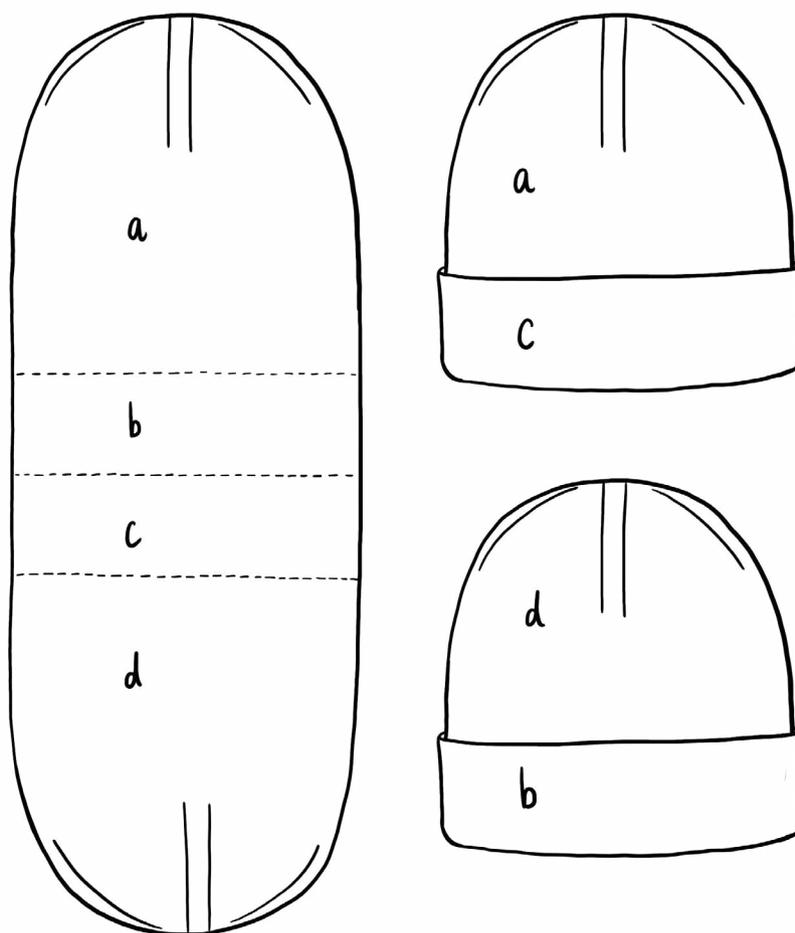
SCRAPS

Sock yarn scraps make fantastic Musselburgh hats! Plan things out or randomly change colours when you run out of the previous one. Knotting the ends together on the inside avoids weaving in lots of ends. Don't cut the tails too short, they'll be hidden on the inside of the finished hat.

For inspiration be sure to check out the amazing projects knit by our wonderful community. Use the hashtag #MusselburghHat on instagram, or look at Ravelry projects connected to the pattern.



COLOUR IN YOUR OWN



TO CHANGE COLOURS AT THE HALFWAY POINT

Knit until total length from cast on (sections a & b) measures

	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
INCHES	8	9	10	11¼	12½	13¾
CM	19.5	22	24.5	28	31	34

TO COLOURBLOCK

Approximate measurements are given for each section shown in the diagram. Note that the finished length with the brim folded is slightly shorter, to account for the fabric taken up in the folds.

INCHES						
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
A & D	6	6¾	7½	8½	9¼	10¼
B & C	2	2¼	2½	2¾	3¼	3½
CM						
	B	T	C-AS	AM	AL	AXL
A & D	15	17	19	21.5	23	25.5
B & C	5	5.5	6.5	7	8	9