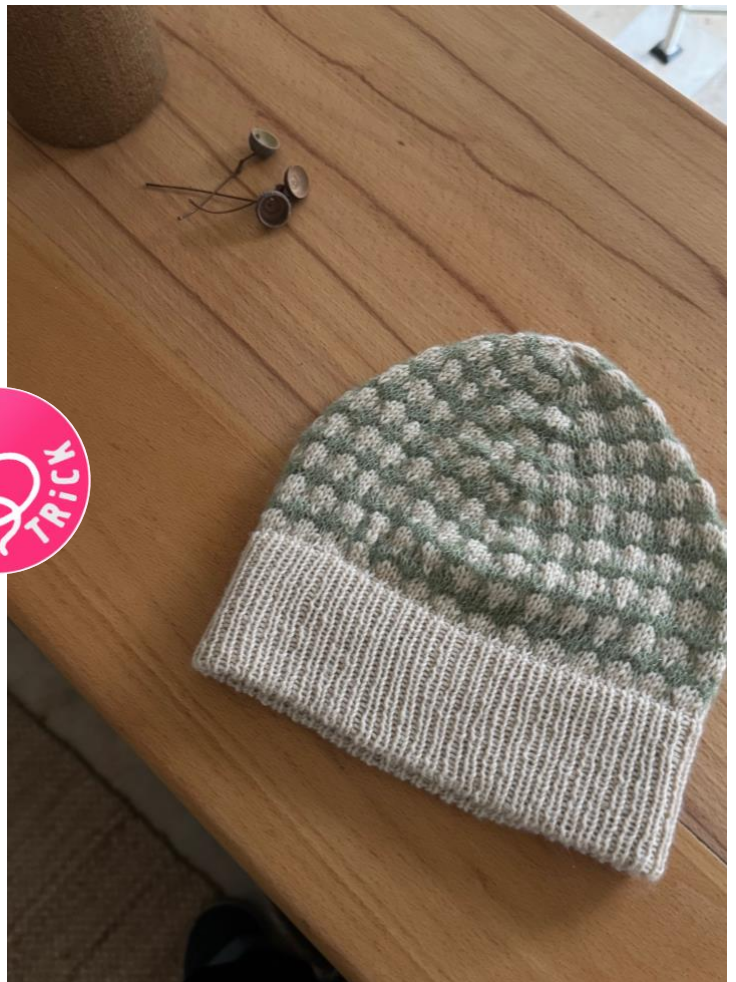


FRENCH KISS hat



Digest

SIZES: 1 (2)

My size:

NEEDLES: 3-3.25mm (US3-4)

My needles:

GAUGE: 24 sts x 40 rows = 10 cm (4")

My gauge:

YARN: Ecopuno and Midnatssol

My yarn

The **FRENCH KISS hat** is worked in the round seamlessly from the bottom up. First you work the brim in 1x1 rib. Then you work the body in dip st pattern. The crown is then shaped by decreases.

SIZES

1 (2)

To fit head circumference of 53-58 (59-64) cm (20¾-22¾, (23¾-25¾)"

Sample shown in Size 1 on a 55cm (21¾") head circumference

SUGGESTED YARN

MC: 1 skein of Lana Grossa, Ecopuno (72% Cotton, 17% wool, 11% Alpaca), 215m (235yds)/50g.

Color: 56 Ecu

CC: 1 skein of Camarose, Midnatssol (54% Alpaca, 36% Tencel, 10% Wool), 200m (235yds)/25g.

Color: 9588 Lys Avocado

GAUGE

28 st x 40 rnds = 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4" in 1x1 rib pattern on smaller needle size after blocking (or 24 sts x 40 rnds in dip stitch pattern on main needle)

SUGGESTED NEEDLES

Main needle: 3.25 - 3.5mm (US3-4) (depending on your gauge) 40 cm (16") circulars and DPNs for the crown (or longer circular needles for magic loop)

Smaller needle: 3 - 3.25mm (US2-3) 40 cm (16") circulars

MATERIALS

5 stitch markers, spare needle

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

Please find video tutorials of the listed techniques in my ravelry group here:

<https://www.ravelry.com/groups/ankestrick-designs/pages/Special-Techniques>

Joining in the round

Seamless join

Folded brim

Folded brim

Tip: In case you want to wear the hat inside out, or for a more stretchy 'seam' this technique is for an invisible 'seam': k2tog the live knit st with the corresponding purl st from the CO edge (as seen in the video), purl the next live st as normal and skip the next knit st from the CO edge. Do this in repeat to end.

Dip stitch pattern

k3b (knit 3 below) for the dip st pattern

DIP STITCH PATTERN

Working in the round with a st count divisible by 4
Change colors every 4 rnds and twisting the colors at the beginning of every 2nd rnd.

Set up rnds 1-4 MC (rs): knit to end.

Rnd 1 CC: k2, k3b, [k3, k3b] to 1 st bef end, k1.

Rnds 2-4 CC: knit to end.

Change color

Rnd 5 MC: [k3b, k3] to end.

Rnds 6-8 MC inc: knit to end.

ABBREVIATIONS

[]: repeat the instructions within square brackets

bef: before

BO: Bind off

BOR M: Beginning Of Round Marker

CC: Contrast color

CO: Cast on

dec / dec'd: decrease / decreased

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 sts together

M: Marker

MC: Main color

p: purl

pM: place marker

rM: remove Marker

Rnds 1-4: rounds 1 to 4, means rnds 1, 2, 3 and 4

Rnds 1+2: rounds 1 and 2

rs: right side

sM: slip Marker

ssk: slip, slip, knit. Slip 1 st knitwise and back onto the left hand needle then k2tog through the back loop

st(s): stitch(es)

KNITTING SUPPORT

For any questions we welcome you at my knitting support on ravelry:

<https://www.ravelry.com/discuss/ankestrick-designs/4271389/1-25>

DIRECTIONS

Cast on

With MC and smaller needle size long tail cast on 121 (137) sts.

To join in the round (*see special techniques*), slip the first st on your left hand needle purlwise and pass the last st on your right hand needle over that st, slip the st back onto your left hand needle, place BOR M to locate the Beginning Of Round.

St count: 120 (136) sts.

BRIM

Now work the brim in 1x1 rib pattern as follows:

Brim rnd: [k1, p1] to BOR M, sM

Work **brim rnd** 56 times in total (or 14cm (5½"))

Now fold the CO edge up to the inside and knit the co edge and the live sts together. (*see special techniques*)

BODY

Change to main needle size.

Now work in dip stitch pattern (*see special techniques*) as follows:

In this section twist the colors at the beginning of every 2nd round.

Set up rnds 1-4 MC: knit to BOR M, sM

Rnd 1 CC: k2, k3b, [k3, k3b] to 1 st bef BOR M, k1, sM.

Rnds 2-4 CC: knit to BOR M, sM.

Rnd 5 MC: [k3b, k3] to BOR M, sM.

Rnds 6-8 MC: knit to BOR M, sM.

Work **rnds 1-8** a total of 2 times (or 16 rnds in total)

Then repeat **rnds 1-7** once more.

Place markers

Tip: Use different colored markers than BOR M.

Rnd 8 MC: k14 (18), pM, k32 (32), pM, k28 (36), pM, k32 (32), pM, knit to BOR M, sM.

CROWN

Decreases are worked to shape the crown in **every CC section** as follows:

Decreases

Change to DPNs or longer circulars (for magic loop) if needed for the decreasing number of stitches.

*Hint: Please don't overlook that we **k4** after the marker in rnd 5*

Rnd 1 CC: k2, k3b, [k3, k3b] across all markers to 1 st bef BOR M, k1, sM.

Rnd 2 dec CC: *knit to 2 st bef M, **ssk**, sM, **k2tog***, repeat from *to* 3 more times, knit to BOR M, sM. (8 dec'd sts)

Rnds 3 CC: knit across markers to BOR M, sM.

Rnd 4 CC dec: repeat rnd 2. (8 dec'd sts)

St count: 104 (120)

Rnd 5 MC: *[k3b, k3] to M, sM, **k4***, repeat from *to* 3 more times, [k3b, k3] to BOR M, sM.

Rnds 6-8 MC: knit across markers to BOR M, sM.

Rnd 9 CC: k2, k3b, [k3, k3b] across all markers to 1 st bef BOR M, k1, sM.

Rnd 10 dec CC: *knit to 2 st bef M, **ssk**, sM, **k2tog***, repeat from *to* 3 more times, knit to BOR M, sM. (8 dec'd sts)

Rnds 11 CC: knit across markers to BOR M, sM.

Rnd 12 CC dec: repeat rnd 2. (8 dec'd sts)

St count: 88 (104) sts

Rnd 13 MC: [k3b, k3] across markers to BOR M, sM.

Rnds 14-16 MC: knit across markers to BOR M, sM.

Work **rnds 1-16** a total of 3 (3) times (or 48 (48) rnds in total)

Only size 2: Repeat **rnds 1-8** once

St count: 24 (24) sts

Remove all markers and break CC.

FINISHING

Break yarn, leaving a 15cm (6") tail. With tapestry needle, thread yarn tail through the remaining live stitches and pull tightly to close the top of the hat. Weave in all ends.