



Silk Garden Spiral Hat

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Gauge

4 sts = 1"

Materials

Yarn: 2 skeins Noro Silk Garden (110 yards each)

Needles: pair of 16" circular needles, Size US #8 or size needed for gauge, and a third needle of the same size for the three-needle bind-off

Abbreviations

CO = Cast On; **ST** = Stitch(es); **K** = Knit; **P** = Purl; **K2tog** = Knit 2 Together; **P2tog** = Purl 2 Together; **M1** = make 1 with a backwards loop cast-on (also called half-hitch increase).

Instructions

Spiral Body of Hat

CO 46 sts using a provisional cast-on method.

Work the following pattern rows nine times, ending on Row 12. You may need to work more or fewer pattern repeats so that the long side is long enough to fit snugly around your head, but be sure to end with Row 12.

Note: the first four and last two rows of the repeat pattern create a stockinette band, while Rows 5 - 10 create a reverse-stockinette band. The pattern starts in the

middle of a stockinette band so that the seam will be positioned conveniently.

- Row 1: K
Row 2: P1, P2tog, P to last stitch, M1, P1
Row 3: K
Row 4: P1, P2tog, P to last stitch, M1, P1
Row 5: P
Row 6: K1, K2tog, K to last st, M1, K1
Row 7: P
Row 8: K1, K2tog, K to last st, M1, K1
Row 9: P
Row 10: K1, K2tog, K to last st, M1, K1
Row 11: K
Row 12: P1, P2tog, P to last stitch, M1, P1

Seaming

Remove the provisional cast-on and place live stitches from cast-on onto second needle. Use the third needle for a three-needle bind-off to create a seam.

Ribbing & Finishing

Pick-up and knit approximately 108 sts on a circular needle and work K1P1 (or K2,P2) ribbing for desired length (e.g., 7 rows). Bind off in ribbing.

Gather the top of the hat and sew shut. Make a generous pom-pom by winding yarn around a 2.5" piece of cardboard **MANY** times, tie, and cut. Attach pom-pom to top of hat. Weave in ends.