

KnitWitz

Jayne's Hat – Bear Style

Inspired by that worn by the character Jayne in an episode of the short-lived television series “Firefly.” It is made with Peace Fleece Worsted Knitting Yarn (70% wool, 30% mohair), in Firebird Orange (MC), Chickie Masla (CC1), and Glasnost Gold (CC2), on size 10 DPNs. Peace Fleece is perfect for this hat – it’s still got rare bits of hay in it! Visit them at <http://www.peacefleece.com>.



With MC, cable cast on 48 stitches (12 on each of 4 needles). Join to knit in round, being careful not to twist stitches. Work 3 rounds of 1x1 (K1, P1) ribbing. Work 5 more rounds in MC of stockinette. Slip last stitch of 5th row, join CC1. Ear holes: Knit 13 sts, (cast off next 5 sts, K12) twice, K1. Next round: Knit 13, (using single cast on or half hitches, cast on 5 sts, K12) twice, K1. Knit 7 more rounds.

Decrease Rounds:

Round 1: *K4, K2tog, repeat from * around.
Rounds 2, 4, 6, and 8: Knit.
Round 3: *K3, K2tog, repeat from * around.
Round 5: *K2, K2tog, repeat from * around.
Round 7: *K1, K2tog, repeat from * around.
Round 9: *K2tog, repeat from * around.
Break yarn, draw through loops, weave in end inside hat.

Ear flaps: Count 5 sts. from back of hat (beginning of rnds.), and pick up next 10 sts. Work 9 rows of stockinette, beginning with WS row. The front 2 sts. of the ear flap should lie under the edge of the ear hole. Ear flap decreases: Row 1 (RS): SSK, knit to last 2 sts., K2tog. Row 2 (WS): P2tog, knit to last 2 sts., turn work, SSK on RS of work. Repeat rows 1 and 2 until 1 st. remains. Break yarn and pull through. Cut 3 lengths of yarn, pull through end of ear flap, and with tail braid a tie, knotting the end. Second ear flap: Pick up sts. in similar manner, lining up front 2 sts. under left edge of ear hole on other side. Work same as left ear flap. Pom-pom: Make small pompon using all three colors of yarn, attach to top, weave in ends inside hat.