

# Bonny baby hat

(matching booties and mittens available)

Accessories for babies make great gifts and are quick to knit using small amounts of left-over yarn. This hat uses two shades of DK weight yarn, although you could, of course, knit it entirely in the same colour.

## Size

To fit baby aged 0-3 (3-6, 6-12, 12-24) months

## Materials

Approx 57 (63, 69, 76) m / 63 (69, 75, 83) yds double knitting yarn in col A for brim.

Approx 84 (92, 101, 111) m / 91 (100, 110, 122) yds double knitting yarn in col B for main body of hat.

3.25 mm (UK10, US3) needles, pair

3.75 mm (UK9, US5) dpns, set of four

*(The main body of the hat can be knit using a circular needle and the magic loop method if you prefer, but DPNs will be required for the crown shaping due to the small number of stitches.)*

Beg of rnd marker (optional)

Tapestry needle

## Tension/Gauge

25 sts and 33 rows to 10cm on 3 ¼ mm needles.

## Note about yarn choice

The samples here were made using King Cole Merino Blend DK in shades 46 (Aran) and 1989 (Truffle). This is a pure wool, anti-tickle, machine washable yarn ideal for babies. The pattern is suitable for any double knitting weight yarn, and there are many DK baby yarns available in a variety of fibres and colours.



## Abbreviations

Beg	Beginning
Col	Colour
Dec	Decrease
g st	Garter stitch
K	Knit
K2tog	Knit 2 together
M1L	Make 1 left by inserting the needle from front to back under the loop that lies between the next 2 stitches and knitting it through the back loop
M1R	Make 1 right by inserting the needle from back to front under the loop that lies between the next 2 stitches and knitting it through the front loop
rnd	Round
St st	Stocking (stockinette) stitch
st(s)	Stitch(es)

## Hat

**Brim** (knit flat in garter stitch – every row knit)

Using 3.25mm and col A cast on 68 (74, 80, 86) sts.

Knit 4 rows

**Inc row:** K1, M1R, knit to last st, M1L, K1. 70 (76, 82, 88) sts

Knit 3 rows

Repeat inc row. 72 (78, 84, 90) sts

Knit 1 row

**Main body** (knit in the round in stocking stitch – every round knit)

Using 3.75mm needles, arrange your stitches on three DPNs and with the **right** side facing and col B join to work in the round.

Work st st until hat measures 10 (11, 12, 14) cm from beg.

### Shape crown

**Rnd 1:** \*K4, K2tog. Rep from \* to end.  
60 (65, 70, 75) sts

**Rnd 2 and every alternate round:** Knit

**Rnd 3:** \*K3, K2tog. Rep from \* to end.  
48 (52, 56, 60) sts

**Rnd 5:** \*K2, K2tog. Rep from \* to end.  
36 (39, 42, 45) sts

**Rnd 7:** \*K1, K2tog. Rep from \* to end.  
24 (26, 28, 30) sts

**Rnd 9:** K2tog to end. 12 (13, 14, 15) sts

**Rnd 11:** K0 (1, 0, 1,,), K2tog to end. 6 (7, 7, 8) sts

### To finish

Break yarn and use a tapestry needle to thread through the remaining sts. Pull up tight and fasten off on the wrong side. Weave in all ends and block over a bowl or inflated balloon.

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