

### LW5732



# knitting

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## What you will need:

RED HEART\* Super Saver\*: 1 skein each 512 Turqua or 706 Perfect Pink A and 316 Soft White B

Susan Bates\* Circular Knitting Needle: 5.5mm [US 9], 16" [40cm] long

Susan Bates\* Double Pointed Needles: One set 5.5mm [US 9]

Cable needle, stitch markers, yarn needle

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Stockinette stitch. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

# **BUY YARN**



RED HEART\* Super Saver\*, Art. E300 available in solid

color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds (333 m); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yds (215 m); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



# Reindeer Knit Hats

Knit reindeer hats for the whole family! We've included five sizes to make it easy to fit everyone.

This cleverly designed hat has cables and ears with antlers for the crowning touch.

Directions are for size Small; changes for sizes Medium, Large, X-Large and XX-Large are in parentheses.

Hat circumference at bottom edge: 14 (16, 18, 20, 22)" [35.5 (40, 46, 51, 56) cm]

#### NOTE

Hat is worked in rounds with right side facing throughout. Place marker for beginning of round. Change to double pointed needles as sts allow, dividing sts evenly around needles.

# **SPECIAL TECHNIQUE**

#### I-Cord

With double-pointed needles, cast on required number of sts.

Knit. \*Slip sts to opposite end of needle without turning and holding yarn in back, knit across; repeat from \* until I-Cord measures desired length.

Bind off.

#### **SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS**

**2/2 LC:** Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

# HAT

#### **Hat Brim**

With circular needle and **A**, cast on 64 (72, 80, 88, 96) sts. Join to work in rounds, taking care not to twist sts. Place marker for beginning of round. **Round 1 (Right Side):** [K2, p2] around. Repeat Round 1 until piece measures 2" [5 cm] from beginning.

#### Body

**Round 1:** K2, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, k48 (56, 64, 72, 80).

**Round 2-5:** K2, p2, k4, p2, k4, p2, knit to end of round.

Repeat Rounds 1-5 until work measures

5 (6, 7, 8, 8)" [12.5 (15, 18, 20.5, 20.5) cm] from beginning, end with Round 5.

#### **Shape Crown**

**Round 1:** K2, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, [k2, k2tog] to end of round – 52 (58, 64, 70, 76) sts.

**Round 2:** K2, p2, k4, p2, k4, p2, knit to end of round.

**Round 3:** K2, p2, k4, p2, k4, p2, [k1, k2tog] to end of round - 40 (44, 48, 52, 56) sts.

**Round 4:** K2, p2, k4, p2, k4, p2, knit to end of round.

**Round 5:** K2, p2, k4, p2, k4, p2, [k2tog] to end of round - 28 (30, 32, 34, 36) sts.

**Round 6:** K2, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, knit to end of round.

**Round 7:** K2tog, p2tog, [k2tog] twice p2tog, [k2tog] twice, p2tog, knit to end of round - 20 (22, 24, 26, 28) sts.

**Round 8:** [K2tog] around - 10 (11, 12, 13, 14) sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining sts twice and pull to gather. Fasten end to secure and weave in ends.

# **ANTLERS** (make 2)

With double pointed needles and **B**, cast on 5 sts.

Work an I-Cord for 3" [7.5 cm]. Place 2 sts on cable needle.

Continue to work I-Cord on 3 remaining sts for 1½" [4 cm] more.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through 3 sts and pull to gather. Fasten end to secure.

Place 2 sts from cable needle back onto double pointed needle.

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Work I-Cord on 2 sts for 1" [2.5 cm]. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through 2 sts and pull to gather. Fasten end to secure.

Weave in ends.

Following photo, sew each Antler on either side on Crown.

# EARS (make 2)

**Note:** Ears are worked back and forth in rows on double pointed needles. Beginning of Ears is worked in a double knit stitch which creates back and front pieces worked at same time. Then Back and Front are worked separately and are sewn together to create an inner and outer ear.

With A, cast on 18 sts.

Rows 1-4: K2, [holding yarn in front, slip 1 as if to purl, k1] to last 3 sts, k3.

### **Separate Back and Front**

Slip first 3 sts to working needle, \*slip next knit st to cable needle, slip next purl st to working needle; repeat from \* 6 times, slip remaining 3 sts to working needle. Back of Ear will be worked first. Sts on cable needle will be held in front - 12 sts for Back of Ear, 6 sts for Front of Ear.

#### **Back of Ear**

**Row 1 (Wrong Side):** K3, p6, k3 - 12 sts.

Row 2 And All Right Side Rows: Knit.

Row 3: Repeat Row 1.

**Row 5:** K1, k2tog, p6, k2tog, k1 - 10 sts.

**Row 7:** K1, k2tog, p4, k2tog, k1 - 8 sts.

**Row 9:** K1, k2tog, p2, k2tog, k1 - 6 sts.

**Row 11:** K1, [k2tog] twice, k1 - 4 sts.

**Row 13:** [K2tog] twice - 2 sts.

Cut yarn and thread tail through last 2 sts to fasten off.

Front of Ear With right side

With right side facing, slip 6 sts from cable needle to needle.

Row 1 (Right Side): Join B and k6.

Row 2 and All Wrong Side Rows: Purl.

Row 3: Repeat Row 1.

**Row 5:** K2tog, k2, k2tog - 4 sts.

**Row 7:** [K2tog] twice - 2 sts.

Cut yarn and thread tail through last 2

sts to fasten off.

Sew Front to Back of Ear.

Following photo, sew an Ear to either side of crown.

Weave in ends.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

A, B, C = Color A, B, C; cm = centimeters; k = knit; k2tog = knit 2 sts together; mm = millimeters; p = purl; p2tog = purl 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch(es); tog = together; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; \* or \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.







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