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# knitting

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft®:** 1 ball 5142 Cherry Red OR 9010 Charcoal **A** and 1 ball 9440 Light Grey Heather **B**

**Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needle:** 4.5mm [US 7] 16" (40.6 cm)

**Susan Bates® Double-Pointed Needles:** One set each 4mm [US 6] and 4.5mm [US 7]

Stitch marker, pompom maker, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 19 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in St st (knit every round) with larger needles. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

## BUY YARN



**RED HEART® Soft®,** Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4oz (113 g), 212 yd (194 m) balls



# Two-Tone Kids' Hats

Here's a great fitting kids' knit hat with stretchy ribbed edging and smooth yarn for comfort. Add a big pompom if you wish. It's the perfect hat style for holiday gifting!

**Directions are for child's size Small; changes for sizes Medium and Large are in parentheses.**

**Finished circumference:** 17¾ (19½, 22¾)" [45 (50, 58) cm]

**Note:** Work ribbing on smaller double-pointed needles, then change to circular needle. When work is too small for circular needle, change to larger double-pointed needles.

## HAT

With smaller needles and **B**, cast on 84 (96, 108) sts, dividing sts evenly onto three needles. Join, being careful that sts are not twisted, and begin working in the round. Place marker for beginning of round.

**Round 1:** \*K2, P2; repeat from \* around. Work in K2, P2 ribbing for 2" (5 cm). Change to **A**. Continue in K2, P2 ribbing for 4 rounds. Change to circular needle.

**Next round:** Knit around. Continue to knit rounds until hat measures 5½ (6½, 7½)" [14 (17, 19) cm] from cast-on edge.

### Decrease for crown

**Round 1:** \*K10, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 77 (88, 99) sts.

**Rounds 2-4:** Knit around.

**Round 5:** \*K9, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 70 (80, 90) sts.

**Rounds 6-7:** Knit around.

**Round 8:** \*K8, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 63 (72, 81) sts.

**Round 9:** Knit around.

**Round 10:** \*K7, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 56 (64, 72) sts.

**Round 11:** Knit around.

**Round 12:** \*K6, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 49 (56, 63) sts.

**Round 13:** Knit around.

**Round 14:** \*K5, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 42 (48, 54) sts.

**Round 15:** Knit around.

**Round 16:** \*K4, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 35 (40, 45) sts.

**Round 17:** Knit around.

**Round 18:** \*K3, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 28 (32, 36) sts.

**Round 19:** Knit around.

**Round 20:** \*K2, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 21 (24, 27) sts.

**Round 21:** Knit around.

**Round 22:** \*K1, K2tog; repeat from \* around - 14 (16, 18) sts.

**Round 23:** Knit around.

**Round 24:** \*K2tog; repeat from \* around - 7 (8, 9) sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30 cm) tail. Pull remaining sts through yarn needle and weave in tail securely on wrong side of hat.

## FINISHING

With **B**, make a large pompom and attach securely to top of hat.

Weave in all loose ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**K** = knit; **K2tog** = knit 2 together; **mm** = millimeters; **P** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch (es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

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