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Cascade 128 Chunky Snowball Hat



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This is the perfect hat to wear to a snowball fight. Or to a snow sculpture party. Or ice skating. Or any other winter activity.

Materials: 1 Skein of Cascade 128 Superwash in white/cream. Size 11 needles, in both 16" circular and double points (DPNs) **or size required to obtain gauge** and size 10 in DPNs only.

Gauge: 3 sts/inch on bigger needles in stockinette stitch.

Earflaps: CO 3 sts, K 1 row. Kfb (single inc.) in 1st stitch of each row, K to end of row until you have 16 sts. K even until flap is about 4". Cut yarn and place sts on holder (use one of the DPNs). Make 2nd earflap but **DO NOT** cut yarn.

Body of Hat: Knit across 2nd earflap, cable cast on 9 sts, knit across 16 sts of 1st earflap, cable cast on 19. Place marker and join in round. (60 sts) For the next 5 rows, work P1, K1, P1 ribbing on the back and front sts but just knit the sts of the earflaps. Now knit every row until hat measures 5" from cast on edge.

Shape crown: [K8, K2tog] 6X, Work 1 round even.

Change to double point needles

[K7, K2tog] 6X, Work 1 round even.

[K6, K2tog] 6X. Do **NOT** work any more even rounds bet. dec. rounds

[K5, K2tog] 6X.

[K4, K2tog] 6X.

[K3, K2tog] 6X.

[K2, K2tog] 6X. .

[K1, K2tog] 6X.

K2tog 6X.

Cut yarn, leaving about a 9" tail. Thread tail onto tapestry needle. Run needle through the 5 sts and pull tight. Weave in end.

Snowballs: Using smaller DPNs, CO 6 sts and divide with 2 on each of 3 needles. Join in round in K 1 row. Next row, Kfb in each st. (12 sts). K 1 row. Next row, K1, Kfb 2X/needle (18 sts). Knit 2 rounds. Next row, K1, K2tog 2X/needle. (12 sts.). K 1 row. Stuff ball firmly with fiberfil or other stuffing. Next row, K2tog 2X/needle (6 sts). Cut yarn, leaving a 9" tail. Thread tail onto tapestry needle. Run needle through the 6 sts and pull tight. With tail, attach snowballs to bottom edge of earflaps having the end that is more evenly rounded at bottom and less round end at top. Bury all tails inside snowball. **Note:** Snowballs in picture were worked on 11 needles, I was on an airplane and didn't have 10s. They will look nicer made on smaller needles.