

Tutti Frutti hat

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A fun little hat for your Blythe doll made from soft wool/acrylic blend yarn. The colours remind me of fruit salad and would look fantastic on a Blythe Simply Mango. The hat has a strap that closes with a button and buttonhole. The corners of the hat can be pinched out to look like cat's ears.

Materials

- 1 ball of Panda Amber in color 02 (the hat uses less than one 100g ball of this yarn)
- One pair of 7mm knitting needles OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- 1 x 18-20mm button for strap
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends
- Embroidery needle and thread for sewing on button

Gauge

The yarn's officially published gauge is 14 sts and 18 rows = 4" (10cm) using 7mm needles. Use this as a guide when choosing alternative yarns.

Skill Level

Intermediate

Note

The cap is knit in one piece and sewn together at the sides.

INSTRUCTIONS

Body

Leaving a long tail of about 15cm (6") cast on 18 stitches with 7mm needles.

Row 1 (and every odd row): k to end Row 2 (and every even row): p to end

Continue in stockinette stitch until work measures 20cm (8"), finishing on an odd row. BO sts knitwise (WS facing). Sew sides together and weave in ends.

Short Strap (right hand side)

Pick up 6 sts from the right hand side, making sure to collect from as close to the seam as possible.

Row 1: k to end

Row 2: p2, p2tog, p2 (5sts)

Row 3: k to end

Row 4: p to end BO sts knitwise.

Sew on button.

Long strap (left hand side)

Pick up 6 sts from the left hand side, making sure to collect from as close to the seam as possible.

Row 1: k to end

Row 2: p2, p2tog, p2 (5sts)

Row 3: k to end

Row 4: p to end

Row 5: k1, k2tog, k2tog (3sts)

Row 6, 8, 10, 12: p to end

Row 7, 9, 11: k to end

Row 13: k1, m1, k1, m1, k1 (5sts)

Row 14: p to end

Row 15 (buttonhole): k1, sI next st purlwise wyif then bring yarn to back, (sI next stitch purlwise wyib and then pass second stitch on RH needle over this stitch) twice, move remaining slipped stitch back onto LH needle. Turn work so WS facing. Wyib CO 4 sts

(=number of slipped sts + 1). Turn work again (RS facing). Wyib sl 1st st to RH needle and pass second stitch over, K1 (should have 5 sts at the end)

Row 16: p to end

BO sts knitwise.

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Abbreviations

BO = Bind off. Knit or purl two stitches as normal and lift the first stitch over the second. Continue in this way until all the stitches on the left hand needle have been knitted and only one stitch remains on the right hand needle. Cut thread and slip through remaining stitch.

CO = Cast on

K = Knit

M1 = Make one stitch. Pick up a strand of yarn from the work inbetween the LH and RH needles (pick it up from front to back) and knit into the back of the stitch loop.

Psso = pass slipped stitch over

P = Purl

RS = right side

SI = slip

WS = wrong side

Wyib = with yarn in back

Wyif = with yarn in front

