# Bamboo Rib Hat - Two Ways

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This hat can be knit with worsted weight yarn and any size needle that gives you a fabric you like with your yarn. There are two variations on the stitch pattern.

This hat pattern matches up nicely with the Bamboo Rib Scarf. The hat and scarf make a beautiful warm winter set for a lucky recipient.

So, grab some yarn and needles and knit a hat, scarf, or hat-&-scarf set for Community Projects!!

# **PATTERN NOTES**

- Size equivalents for this pattern: Small =
   Child small; Medium = Child Large or Adult
   Small; Large = Adult Medium; XL = Adult
   Large
- Any size needle can be used. You can use the needle size recommended on the yarn band, or the size you would generally use with that yarn. You decide what kind of fabric you want for this hat. Gauge is not important. However, see the next item regarding the needle size selection for the hat.
- If you are knitting a hat-&-scarf set, you may want to use a slightly smaller needle for the hat. This will create a knit with a

### Materials

<u>Sizes:</u> Small (Medium, Large, XL) = *approx*. 9.75" (13", 16", 19") in circumference, *unstretched*. See Pattern Notes.

### Yarn

Worsted-weight yarn, at least 85 (115, 140, 170) yds for sizes S (M, L, XL)

### **Needles**

US 7/4.5 mm 16" circular and double-pointed needles, *or* any size desired for selected yarn. *See Pattern Notes*.

## **Gauge**

**Approximately** 21 sts = 4" (10cm) in k2-p2 ribbing. Gauge is not critical *See Pattern Notes.* 

Abbreviations: BOR: beginning of round; K: knit; K2tog: knit 2 sts together; P: purl; Pm: place marker; Rm: remove marker; Ssk: Slip 1 st knit-wise, slip 1 st knitwise, place slipped sts back on left needle and knit them together; Sts: stitches; \*... repeat instructions from \* as specified; [...] repeat instructions in brackets as specified

tighter gauge, creating a warmer hat for those cold, blustery winter days. Even if the hat is knit at a different gauge than the scarf, the scarf and hat will still be a beautiful set in any yarn.

- This hat is *very* stretchy! The Large size was 16" circumference, unstretched, when knit on US 8 needles, but stretched easily to 20-22" circumference
- There are two variations of the Bamboo Stitch pattern that you can use for this hat.
  Feel free to select whichever one appeals to you.

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# PATTERN STITCH - Knit in the Round (2 variations)

#### Version 1 (Long Bamboo Rib)

Round 1: Knit Round 2: Purl

Rounds 3-6: [K2, p2] to end of

round.

Repeat Rounds 1-6.





<u>Version 2 (Short Bamboo</u> <u>Rib)</u>

Round 1: Knit Round 2: Purl

Rounds 3 & 4: [K2, p2] to

end of round. Repeat Rounds 1-4.

# **DIRECTIONS**

Cast on 48 (64, 80, 96) sts. Join to knit in the round, placing a marker at the BOR.

Decide which pattern stitch you want to do: Version 1 (Long Bamboo Rib) or Version 2 (Short Bamboo Rib).

Start with Round 1 and knit all the rounds (1-6 or 1-4) of the selected pattern stitch until hat is 6.5 (7, 7.5, 8)" long, or desired length, from cast-on edge, *ending with Round 6 (Version 1) or Round 4 (Version 2) of your pattern.* 

## **Crown Shaping**

Note: The crown shaping is identical for both versions of the pattern stitch. As shaping proceeds, change to double-pointed needles when needed to accommodate the smaller hat circumference.

**Shaping Round 1:** Knit. — 48 (64, 80, 96) sts

**Shaping Round 2**: Rm, p1, pm; [P 12 (16, 20, 24) sts, pm] three times; purl to end of round. *This repositions the BOR marker, then creates four equal sections of the hat in which the shaping will occur.* 

**Shaping Round 3:** [Ssk, \*p2, k2, repeat from \* to last 2 sts before marker; k2tog] four times. — 10 (14, 18, 22) sts in each section; 40 (56, 72, 88) sts total

**Shaping Round 4:** [Ssk, p1, \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last 3 sts before marker; k1, k2tog] four times. — 8 (12, 16, 20) sts in each section; 32 (48, 64, 80) sts total

**Shaping Round 5:** Knit. **Shaping Round 6:** Purl.

Small size only: Go to Finishing.

Continue with sizes Medium (Large, XL):

**Shaping Round 7:** [Ssk, \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last 2 sts before marker, k2tog] four times — 10(14, 18) sts in each section; 40 (56, 72) sts total for Medium (Large, XL) size.

**Shaping Round 8:** [Ssk, k1, \*p2, k2, repeat from \* to last 3 sts before marker; p1, k2tog] four times. — 8 (12, 16) sts in each section; 32 (48, 64) sts total for Medium (Large, XL) size.

Shaping Rounds 9 & 10: Repeat Shaping Rounds 5 & 6.

### Medium size only: Go to Finishing.

Continue with sizes Large (XL):

**Shaping Round 11:** Repeat Shaping Round 3. — 10(14) sts in each section; 40(48) sts total for Large (XL) size.

**Shaping Round 12:** [Ssk, k1, \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last 3 sts before marker, p1, k2tog] four times. — 8 (12) sts in each section; 32 (40) sts total for Large (XL) size.

**Shaping Rounds 13 & 14:** Repeat Shaping Rounds 5 & 6. **Large size only: Go to Finishing.** 

Continue with size XL:

**Shaping Round 15**: Repeat Shaping Round 7 — 10 sts in each section; 40 sts total for XL size.

**Shaping Round 16**: Repeat Shaping Round 8 — 8 sts in each section; 32 sts total for XL size.

Shaping Rounds 17 & 18: Repeat Shaping Rounds 5 & 6.

#### **Finishing**

**Shaping Round 7 (11, 15, 19):** [Ssk, p2, k2, k2tog] four times — 6 sts in each section; 24 sts total (all sizes)

**Shaping Round 8 (12, 16, 20):** [Ssk, p1, k1, k2tog] four times — 4 sts in each section; 16 sts total (all sizes)

Final Round: Knit.

Cut yarn, leaving a tail. With a yarn needle, thread tail through remaining sts, pull tight and secure.

