

snuggle cable hat

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This is a unisex cable beanie that will keep you lovely and warm on a chilly day. The pattern comes in two versions, one with a turn up rib and one with a single rib. This hat can accompany the cable snood, fair isle scarf or fair isle wrist warmers but can equally be worn as a stand alone item. All you have to do is choose your favourite colour from the aran range to make your hat.

Yarn

3 x 50g balls (94m/103yds) Rooster Almerino Aran
(50% baby alpaca/ 50% merino wool)
Colour: 315 Shimmer

Needles

1 pair of 7mm (UK 2/ US 10 $\frac{3}{4}$) single pointed needles
1 pair of 8mm (UK 0/ US 11) single pointed needles
1 tapestry needle
1 large cable needle

Size

To fit an adult sized head

Tension

Tension using 8mm needles: 16st x 24
rows = 4in(10cms)

Note

Yarn is used double throughout pattern



Abbreviations

ktbs through the back of the stitch to form a neat cast on edge (this only needs to be done for a traditional cast on)

K knit

P purl

inc increase by knitting into the front and back of the stitch

dec decrease by knitting 2 stitches together

cms centimeters

sts stitches

C3B slip next stitch onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 stitches from left-hand needle, K1 from cable needle.

C3F slip next 2 stitches onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, knit next stitch from left-hand needle, then knit 2 stitches from cable needle.

T3B (twist 3 back) slip next stitch onto cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 stitches from left-hand needle, then purl stitch from cable needle

T3F slip next 2 stitches onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, purl next stitch from left-hand needle, then knit stitches from cable needle

C5B slip next 3 stitches onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 stitches from left-hand needle, then K3 from cable needle.

Hat with turn up

Using size 7mm needles cast on 72sts:

Next row ktbs

Row 1–18 * K3, P3, rep from * to end of row

Row 19: (RS) P3, inc 1, P33, inc 1, P33, inc1, P3 (75sts)

Row 20: (WS) knit

Change to 8mm needles

Now start main pattern note the pattern is repeated 5 times over the 75sts

Row 1 (RS): * P4, C3B, P1, C3F, P4, rep from * x 5

Row 2: * K4, P3, K1, P3, K4 rep from * x 5

Row 3: * P3, C3B, P1, K1, P1, C3F, P3, rep from * x 5

Row 4: * K3, P3, K1, P1, K1, P3, K3, rep from * x 5

Row 5: * P2, C3B, P1, [K1, P1] twice, C3F, P2, rep from * x 5

Row 6: * K2, P3, K1, [P1, K1] twice, P3, K2, rep from * x 5

Row 7: * P1, C3B, P1, [K1, P1] 3 times, C3F, P1, rep from * x 5

Row 8: * K1, P3, K1, [P1, K1] 3 times, P3, K1, rep from * x 5

Row 9: * C3B, P1, [K1, P1] 4 times, C3F, rep from * x 5

Row 10: * P3, K1, [P1, K1] 4 times, P3, rep from * x 5

Row 11: * K2, P1, [K1, P1] 5 times, K2, rep from * x 5

Row 12: * P2, K1, [P1, K1] 5 times, P2, rep from * x 5

Row 13: * T3F, P1, [K1, P1] 4 times, T3B, rep from * x 5

Row 14: * K1, P2, K1, [P1, K1] 4 times , P2, K1, rep from * x 5

Row 15: * P1, T3F, P1, [K1, P1] 3 times, T3B, P1, rep from * x 5

Row 16: * K2, P2, K1, [P1, K1] 3 times, P2, K2, rep from * x 5

Row 17: P2, T3F, P1, [K1, P1] twice, T3B, P2, rep from * x 5

Row 18: * K3, P2, K1, [P1, K1] twice, P2, K3, rep from * x 5

Row 19: * P3, T3F, P1, K1, P1, T3B, P3, rep from * x 5

Row 20: * K4, P2, K1, P1, K1, P2, K4, rep from * x 5

Row 21: * P4, T3F, P1, T3B, P4, rep from * x 5

Row 22: * K5, P2, K1, P2, K5, rep from * x 5

Row 23: * P5, C5B, P5, rep from * x 5

Row 24: * K5, P5, K5, rep from * x 5

Decreasing for Crown

Row 25: P2, P2tog, P1, K1, K2tog, K2 *P2, P2tog, P3, P2tog, P1, K1, K2tog, K2 rep from * to last 5 sts, P2, P2tog, P1 (60sts)

Row 26: K4, * P4, K8* rep from * to last 8 sts, P4, K4

Row 27: P2tog x 2, * K2tog x 2, P2tog x 4, rep from * to last 4sts P2tog x 2

Row 28: K2tog, P2tog, * K2tog x 2, P2tog, rep from * to last 2 sts K2tog

Cut off yarn leaving a long tail for sewing up

Hat without turn up

Using size 7mm needles cast on 72sts:

Next row ktbs

Row 1–9 * K3, P3, rep from * to end of row

Row 10: (WS) K3, inc 1, K33, inc 1, K33, inc1, K3 (75sts)

Change to 8mm needles

Now work as 1st version until the end of the pattern.

Making Up

Both hats

Thread your tapestry needle with the long tail of yarn and take the needle through the remaining sts on your needle. Draw up the sts and secure the top of the hat with a few sts. Using a mattress stitch sew down the seam until you reach the rib.

Hat with turn up: Continue with mattress stitch until you reach halfway down the rib then turn the hat inside out and with wrong sides facing sew up the remaining side still using a mattress stitch.

Hat without turn up. Complete sewing up the rib using the mattress stitch.

Make a pom pom to go on the top of your hat.