

CABLED SKULL CAP (REVISED)

This hat is meant to be a **tight fitting "skull cap" for a small to medium sized head**. Use a slightly larger gauge yarn (3.5 to 3 sts/1" for a larger-size head).

Materials:

Yarn

-1 skein Rowan Cork or 120 yards of any yarn with a gauge of 4 sts per 1"

Needles

-16" size 9 circular needle
-set of 4 (or 5) US size 9 double pointed needles
-cable needle

Other

-Stitch marker
-yarn needle (for sewing in ends)

Instructions:

Using an "elastic" or stretchy cast-on method like the double long-tail cast on (or "greek" cast-on - I didn't include the technique here, but google it, there is a site with pictures explaining how to do it), and the 16" circular needle cast on 72 stitches. Join, being careful not to twist. Place a marker to indicate the beginning (or end) of the round.

Rounds 1-10: K4, P4 around

Round 11: *C4L; P2; C4R; P4; K4; P4*; repeat between *&* 2 times more

Round 12: Knit stitches as they appear (be careful to purl the purls that were held on the cable needle. They may not be as obvious as a knit stitch.

Round 13: P1; C4L; C4R; P5; K4; P3; * P2; C4L; C4R; P5; K4; P3*; repeat between *&* once more ending with a P4.

Round 14: Repeat round 12

Round 15: P2; *C8B; P6; K4; P6* repeat from * to * 2 more times, ending with a P4;

Round 16-21: Repeat round 12

Round 22: Repeat row 15

Round 23: Repeat row 12

Round 24: P1; *C4R; C4L; P5; K4; P5;* repeat from * to * two more times ending in a P4

Round 25: repeat round 12

Round 26: *C4R; P2; C4L; P4; K4; P4* repeat between *&* 2 times more.

Round 27: Knit stitches as they appear (knit the knit stitches, purl the purl stitches).

Round 28: *K4; P1; P2tog; P1;* repeat from *to* around

Round 29: Knit stitches as they appear (knit the knit stitches, purl the purl stitches)h

Round 30: *K1; K2tog; K1; P3* repeat from *to* around

Round 31: 26: Knit stitches as they appear (knit the knit stitches, purl the purl stitches)

Round 32: K2; P2tog; P1; * repeat from *to* around

Round 33: 29; Knit stitches as they appear (knit the knit stitches, purl the purl stitches)

Round 34: *K2tog; P2* repeat from *to* around

Round 35: Knit stitches as they appear (knit the knit stitches, purl the purl stitches)

Round 36: *K1; P2tog repeat from *to* around

Round 37: P1, *K2tog, repeat from *to* around

Round 38: K2tog around

Round 39: cut yarn, draw through remaining stitches

Weave in ends and enjoy!

Abbreviations

K: Knit

P: Purl

St(s): stitch(es)

K2tog: Knit two stitches together

P2tog: Purl two stitches together

C4L: Slip next 4 sts to cable needle and hold in front of the work., P1; K4 from cable needle

C4R: Slip next st to cable needle and hold in back of the work; K4; P1 from cable needle

C8B: Slip next 4 sts to cable needle and hold in back of the work; K4; K4 from cable needle.