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Oliver's Cap

This beanie is perfect for taking the chill off for a river mariner working on the deck in the early morning. Knit the ribbing a little longer and you'll turn your beanie into a watch cap. Knit in the round, this hat works up quickly with no seaming. Add stripes and you'll find it a perfect use for leftovers.



Materials:

150 yds of heavy worsted weight yarn
16" circular needle size 6 or 7 (or size needed to produce gauge)
Double Pointed Needles in the same size
Yarn needle for weaving in ends
Stitch markers, if desired

Gauge: 18 stitches and 24 rows to 4"square

Please be sure to check gauge to be sure you create a well fitting cap.

Directions:

Cast on 80 stitches.

Place marker for beginning and join for knitting in the round.

K2P2 to end of round.

Continue in ribbing for 2" (4.5" for watch cap)

Knit even (one color or with stripes, as you wish) until entire piece measures 6.5."

Begin decreases:

Decrease Row 1: SSK, K 16, K2Tog repeat to end (dec 8 sts)

Decrease Row 2: SSK, K 14, K2Tog repeat to end (decreasing 8 stitches)



Continue decreasing in this manner until 8 stitches remain (using DPNs when necessary)

Use wool needle and thread through the remaining stitches.

Draw stitches closed and weave yarn end in securely.

Try your hat on and enjoy!