Versa Hat

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Instructions

Choose your colors! There are no wrong answers:)

Color 1 (C1):_____
Color 2 (C2):_____
Color 3 (C3):_____
Color 4 (C4):_____
Color 5 (C5):_____
Color 6 (C6):_____

Striped Section

Using Color 1 (C1), Cast on 8 stitches leaving an 8" tail to close these stitches later. Begin working in the round. Continuing with C1 work the following 4 rounds.

Crown Increases

Round 1: *KFB x 2, PM; repeat from * to end of round. (8 sts inc)
Round 2: Knit.
Round 3: *K1, M1L, knit to last stitch before marker, M1R, K1, sm; repeat from * to end of round.
Round 4: Knit.

Repeat **Rounds 3 & 4** until there are 28 stitches between each set of markers. Remember to change by color order every 4 rounds. (112 stitches total)

Switch to 16" circular and continue in stockinette stitch, knitting every round until piece measures approx. 11" from cast on end. Our sample went through the 6-color stripe sequence 4 times.

Materials

Yarn: 1 - Berroco *Lanas Light* Mini Color Pack - includes: Six mini-skeins - 96 yards/25g each OR 125g fingering or sport weight yarn
Needle: US 4, 16" circular and DPNs or 32" circular for magic loop
Notions: Four (4) stitch markers, tapestry needle

Gauge and Size

31 st = 4" in stockinette stitch, blocked
Approx. 18" circumference

Abbreviations

K = Knit
P = Purl
St(s) = Stitch(es)
KFB = Knit front back of stitch (1 stitch increase)
M1L = Make 1 left-leaning stitch; use left needle to pick up horizontal bar running between stitches from *front to back*. Knit through the back loop.
M1R = Make 1 right-leaning stitch; use left needle to pick up horizontal bar running between stitch from *back to front*. Knit through the front loop.
SM = Slip marker
PM = Place marker
K2tog = Knit 2 stitches together (1 stitch decrease)
SSK = Slip slip knit; slip 1 stitch as if to knit, slip 1 stitch as if to knit, slip both stitches back to the left needle and knit together through the back loop.

Broken Seed Stitch Section

Color Order Sequence for next section. What if you don't like our choices? That's cool with us, choose your own!

Repeat 1: C1 & C2
Repeat 2: C3 & C4
Repeat 3: C5 & C6
Repeat 4: C1 & C2
Repeat 5: C3 & C4
Crown Decrease: C5 & C6

Set up round: Knit 1 round with C1

Round 1 (C1): K1, P1
Round 2 (C2): K
Round 3 (C1): P1, K1
Round 4 (C2): K
Round 5 (C1): K1, P1
Round 6 (C2): K
Round 7 (C1): P1, K1
Round 8 (C2): K
Round 9 (C1): K1, P1
Round 10 (C2): P1, K1 (color dominance shifts)
Round 11 (C1): K
Round 12 (C2): K1, P1
Round 13 (C1): K
Round 14 (C2): P1, K1
Round 15 (C1): K
Round 16 (C2): K1, P1
Round 17 (C1): K
Round 18 (C2): P1, K1

Repeat Rounds 1-18, changing colors as above color order sequence recommends until section is approx. 8" from the beginning of the Broken Seed Stitch section.

Then work Repeat 5, ending after Round 10.

If your Broken Seed Stitch Section is not 8" after Repeat 4, you can continue to work until desired height, changing colors as you would like. Decreases should begin on a Round 11.

Crown Shaping

Switch to DPNs or long circular for magic loop when stitches no longer fit on 16" circular.

Continue with Repeat 5 colors.

Round 11, 13, 15, 17 (C3): *K2tog, knit until 2 stitches remain before sm, SSK, sm, repeat from * around (8 stitches decreased)
Round 12, 14, 16, 18 (C4): P1, K1

Change to Crown Decrease colors.

Round 19, 21, 23, 25, 27 (C5): K1, P1
Round 20, 22, 24, 26 (C6): *K2tog, knit until 2 stitches remain before sm, SSK, sm; repeat from * to end of round (8 stitches decreased)

Round 28, 30, 32, 34 (C5): P1, K1
Round 29, 31, 33, 35 (C6): *K2tog, knit until 2 stitches remain before sm, SSK, sm; repeat from * to end of round (8 stitches decreased)

Round 36: K2tog around, removing stitch markers as you come to them.

Cut yarn and pull through remaining 8 stitches. Weave in ends.