



Polar Vortex

Instructions

With smaller needles, cast on 96 stitches. Place marker and begin working in the round. Slip marker as you come to it.

Garter Band

Round 1: Purl. Place a locking marker at stitches 14 and 82.

Round 2: Knit.

Rounds 3 & 4: repeat rounds 1 & 2

Round 5 & 6: Knit.

Round 7: Purl.

Honeycomb pattern

Round 1: *K1, K1 below; repeat from * to end of round.

Round 2: *P1, HSP; repeat from * to end of round.

Round 3: *K1 below, K1; repeat from * to end of round.

Round 4: *HSP, P1; repeat from * to end of round.

Repeat **Rounds 1-4** of the **Honeycomb pattern** 2 more times for a total of 3 times. Repeat **Rounds 1-3** of the **Honeycomb pattern**. Knit 2 rounds. Knit **Rounds 1-3** of **Garter Band**.

Change to larger needles. Knit until hat measures 5.5" from cast on edge. Switch to DPNs when need while decreasing top of hat.

Decrease Top of Hat

Round 1: K10, CTD, *K20, CTD; repeat from * until 10 sts remain, K10.

Round 2 & even rounds: Knit.

Round 3: K9, CTD, *K17, CTD; repeat from * until 8 sts remain, K8.

Round 5: K8, CTD, *K14, CTD; repeat from * until 6 sts remain, K6.

Round 7: K7, CTD, *K11, CTD; repeat from * until 4 sts remain, K4.



Materials

Yarn: 1 skein Louisa Harding *Amitola Grande*; 273yd/100g

Color shown Capri 552

Needles: US 4 & 7 -16" Circular, & US7 DPNs

Notions: Pom Pom Maker, Stitch markers.

Gauge

5 stitches in Garter with US4

4.5 stitches in stockinette with US7

Abbreviations

K = Knit **P** = Purl **BO** = Bind Off
YO = Yarn Over **St(s)** = Stitch(Stitches)
RS = Right Side **WS** = Wrong Side
K2tog = Knit the next 2 stitches together
HSK = **Honeycomb stitch Knit:** pick up the long strand created from the K1 below from the previous row and knit it together with the 1st stitch on the left needle.
HSP = **Honeycomb Purl Stitch:** pick up and place the long strand created from the K1 below on the previous row on the needle and purl it along with the 1st stitch on the left needle.
K1 below = insert needle in the stitch directly below the stitch on the left needle – lifting both the below stitch and the stitch on the needle off.
CTD = Centered Triple Decrease. Slip 2 sts together at the same time as if , k2tog, slip the 2 slip sts over the k2tog. 3 sts decreased.

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Decrease top of hat, continued

Round 9: K6, CTD, *K8, CTD; repeat from * until 2 sts remain, K2.

Round 11: K5, CTD, *K5, CTD; repeat from * to end of round.

Remove marker.

Round 13: K4, CTD, K2, CTD, K2, CTD, K2, CTD. (12 sts remain)
cut yarn pull through stitches and cinch tight. Weave in the end. Add a pom pom!

Earflaps (using smaller needles)

With right side facing and bottom of hat up, pick up and knit 20 stitches, starting at the locking stitch marker at the 14th stitch. Knit 3 rows. Going forward knit first 3 and last 3 stitches of each row.

Honeycomb pattern worked flat (back and forth)

Row 1 (rs): *K1, K1 below; repeat from * to end.

Row 2 (ws): *HSK, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 3: *K1 below, K1; repeat from * to end.

Row 4: *K1, HSK; repeat from * to end.

Knit Honeycomb pattern 7 times total and then one more Row 1 & 2. Continue with decreases as written, no longer knitting the first 3 & last 3 stitches.

Row 1: K2tog x2, *K1, K1 below; repeat from * until 4 sts remain, K2tog x2.

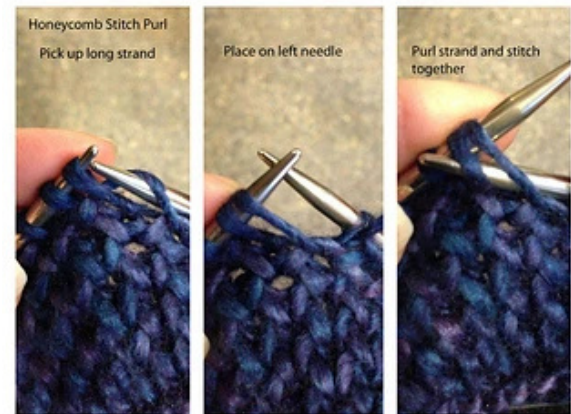
Row 2 & 3: Knit.

Row 4: K3, K2tog, knit until 5 sts remain K2tog, K3. (14 sts)

Row 5: K2tog x2 BO, K2tog BO, K2tog BO, (YO, BO)x2, (K2tog, BO)x3. Secure the tail through the remaining stitch and weave in.

Second Earflap: With right side facing and bottom of hat up, pick up and knit 20 stitches, starting at the locking stitch marker at the 82nd stitch. Knit 3 rows. Going forward, knit the first 3 and last 3 stitches of each row. Follow the instructions for 1st earflap.

Twisted Cords: Cut a 4-yard length of yarn. Fold in half. Fold in half again. Begin twisting until it starts to twist up on itself when the two halves get close together. Hold halves together and allow them to twist. Pull the loop end through the hole created by the YO and BOs by an inch. Thread the tail ends of the twisted cord through the loop and pull tight. Adjust the cord length by cutting the cord evenly and tie a pom pom on the end of the cord.



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