'Raglan' Hat Pattern



I didn't invent this pattern, it's more like "unventing" because it's a pretty standard pattern that has been around for awhile. It's my favorite because I love the neat look of the raglan decreases.

Yarn: worsted weight –I happen to love all things "cashmerino" Gauge: 6-7 sts/inch in St st Needles: US 6 DPN CO 88 sts, divide evenly over 4 needles and join, being careful not to twist the stitches. Place marker.

Work 1 X 1 ribbing (K1 P1) for 4"

Change to Stockinette and knit for 3"

Begin decreases:

Row 1: *K9, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, (left leaning decrease), K2 tog (right leaning decrease) K9* repeat to end of row

Row 2 and all even rows: knit all stitches

Row 3: *K8, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K8* repeat to end of row
Row 5: *K7, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K7* repeat to end of row
Row 7: *K6, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K6* repeat to end of row
Row 9: *K5, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K5* repeat to end of row
Row 11: *K4, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K4* repeat to end of row
Row 13: *K3, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K3* repeat to end of row
Row 15: *K2, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K2* repeat to end of row
Row 17: *K1, Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K2* repeat to end of row
Row 19: *Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog, K1* repeat to end of row
Row 19: *Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog* repeat to end of row
Row 19: *Slip 1, K1, PSSO, K2 tog* repeat to end of row

Tips:

-If you need to alter the number of stitches to get a different size and you end up with an odd number, simply Knit 1 stitch between the right- and left-leaning decreases on each needle. Some people prefer this look-it's really a matter of choice.

-It is not imperative to knit this hat in the round. To knit flat, follow instructions up to "Begin decreases" Then work all decreases on the right side of the hat and change even rows to "purl all stitches". When you cut your thread, leave a long enough tail (12" or so) to not only cinch the top, but to sew the back seam.

-If you don't want to fold the brim up, only work the 1 X 1 ribbing for 2" before beginning Stockinette.

Happy Stitching! Jennifer Fleury

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