

# Easy Kids Striped Hat with Loops



**Yarn:** Katia Mexico or other self-striping yarn with correct gauge

**Gauge:** 4 sts=1" on size 8US knitting needles

**Size:** finished size 19-20" - the hat is will fit 4-8year olds

**Knitting Needles:**  
16" Circular - size 6US and 8US (4 and 5mm)  
8US double pointed  
4US any

CO 72 sts. on size 6US (4mm) knitting needle, join, being careful not to twist stitches.  
Rounds 1-6. Work seed stitch (\*K1,P1, repeat from\*,reverse on next round).  
Switch to Size 8 US (5mm) needles needle and work in stockinette (knit every row) until hat measures 7" from cast on edge.

Crown decreases:

Round 1: \*k7, k2tog; repeat from\* (64 sts.)

Round 2: (and all even rounds) Knit

Round 3: \*k6, k2tog; repeat from\* (56 sts.)

Round 5: \*k5, k2tog; repeat from\* (48 sts.)

Round 7: \*k4, k2tog; repeat from\* (40 sts.)

Round 9: \*k3, k2tog; repeat from\* (32 sts.)

Round 11:\*k2, k2tog; repeat from\* (24 sts.)

Round 13:\*k1, k2tog; repeat from\* (16 sts.)

Round 14:\*k2tog; repeat from\* (8 sts.)

Work 3 seed stitch sts. strips on remaining sts. as follows:

Use size 4US double pointed needles. Work back and forth on 3 sts.

Row 1: K1,p1,k1

Row 2: p1;k1;p1

Continue to desired length (ours are 2-3" each).

Bind of, leaving a 5" tail (to be used for sewing the loop in)

Repeat for another strip.

3rd strip:

Work on 2 remaining stitches.

Row 1: K1, K into front ana back of the same stitch (3 sts on the needle)

Continue as other 2 strips. Fold the strips into loops and use yarn ends to sew them down, weaving the ends in inside the hat.



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