

The Scrappy Gnome Hat

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Materials:

A set of size 13 double point needles

and

A bag, basket, pile, whatever (!) of scrap yarns, both worsted and bulky weight, in colors that complement each other.

The hat comes in two sizes. The baby/toddler size is first, fitting around 6 months-2.5 years, with directions for the kid/adult version following in parenthesis. The entire hat is worked in the round while holding both a strand of worsted and a strand of bulky yarn. As you run out of one yarn, replace it with another like weight yarn. The two different colored yarns are what give the hat its heathered appearance. Switching one yarn at a time means that one section kind of blends and fades into the next.

CO 42 (52) sts, pm, join in the round

K 3 rounds

Round 4: K2tog, K 20 (25), K2tog, K to end

Continue even until hat measures 4 3/4" (5 1/2")

On the next round: *K8, K2tog* 4 times (*K8, K2tog* 5 times)

K 3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K7, K2tog* 4 times (*K7, K2tog* 5 times)

K 3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K6, K2tog* 4 times (*K6, K2tog* 5 times)

K3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K5, K2tog* 4 times (*K5, K2tog* 5 times)

K 3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K4, K2tog* 4 times (*K4, K2tog* 5 times)

K 3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K3, K2tog* 4 times (*K3, K2tog* 5 times)

K 3 (4) rounds

On the next round: *K2, K2tog* 4 times (*K2, K2tog* 5 times)

K 1 round

K1, K2tog around

Larger size only:

(K 1 round

K2tog around)

Both sizes:

K 5 rounds

K2tog around

switch to knitting a i-cord for around 6 repeats

bind off and work in ends