

Thermos

A Yarn-Madness pattern,
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Thermos is a simple yet stylish beanie, featuring an intarsia I-cord worked in the round with the rest of the hat. A perfect project for the intarsia novice (and for the more experienced one too)!

Gauge and size:

4.5 sts and 6 rows per inch in stockinette
Approximate circumference: 51 cm/20 inches

Materials and tools:

5 mm circular needle (US 8), or size to get gauge
Double pointed needles, if not knitting the crown with magic loop

Worsted or aran weight yarn
(Featured hats used Drops Nepal)

MC (shown in brown/beige)
Approximately 95 meters/100 yards
CC (shown in red/green)
Approximately 30 meters/35 yards

Needle for weaving in ends
Stitch marker

Body:

With CC, loosely CO 90 sts.

Join to work in the round, taking care not to twist the sts. Place beginning of round marker.

The hat is completely worked in the round.

Round 1-3: Knit.

Round 4-5: *K1, p1*, repeat *-* around.

Round 6: Knit, increasing 1 st. (91 sts)

Round 7: With CC, k3 sts. Join MC and knit to end of round.

Round 8:

Twist CC with MC (“locking” the MC thread where you left it), k3 with CC, pulling the thread snug across the back of the I-cord.

Pick up MC, pull it snug, again twisting the threads so you lock CC where it is, and knit the rest of the round with MC.

Note: Twisting the threads is needed to avoid holes in the fabric where you change colors.

Repeat round 8 until work measures approximately 15 cm or 5.9 inches from the CO edge.

Crown decreases:

You will decrease in the MC area only, continuing to work the contrasting I-cord as before (called CC3 in the decrease rounds).

Round 1: CC3, *k9, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (83 sts)

Round 2 and all even rounds: Knit.

Round 3: CC3, *k8, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (75 sts)

Round 5: CC3, *k7, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (67 sts)

Round 7: CC3, *k6, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (59 sts)

Round 9: CC3, *k5, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (51 sts)

Round 11: CC3, *k4, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (43 sts)

Round 13: CC3, *k3, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (35 sts)

Round 15: CC3, *k2, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (27 sts)

Round 17: CC3, *k1, k2tog*, repeat *-* to end. (19 sts)

Round 18: With CC, slip 1, k2tog, pass slipped stitch over. With MC, k2tog until end. (9 sts)

Cut the yarn and pull it through the remaining sts. Pull tight and secure on the inside.

Block hat if necessary, and weave in ends.

Abbreviations

K = knit

P = purl

sts = stitches

CO = cast on

BO = bind off

k2tog = knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)

MC = main color

CC = contrast color