

February Baby Bonnet

Based on the lace pattern from Elizabeth Zimmerman's February Baby Sweater, in the Knitter's Almanac, this bonnet will keep your little one's head warm.

Materials:

150 yards worsted weight yarn, Gauge 5 sts=1"
size 6; DPN and 16" circular
ribbon

Starting at center back of bonnet, using the DPN, CO 8 sts.

Divide over three needles, join into the round and knit one round.

Round 1: increase (knit into front and back) in every stitch (16 sts)

Round 2 and all EVEN rounds: knit

Round 3: (k1, inc) repeat around (24 sts)

Round 5: (k2, inc) repeat around (32 sts)

Round 7: (k3, inc) repeat around (40 sts)

Round 9: (k4, inc) repeat around (48 sts)

Round 11: (k5, inc) repeat around (56 sts)

Round 13: (k6, inc) repeat around (64 sts)

Round 14: knit

Round 15: BO 6 sts, knit to end. (56 sts) Change to circular needle and working back and forth (not in the round) knit 3 rows.

Work gull lace pattern over center 54 stitches, and keep edge stitches in stockinette stitch as follows:

Row 1: k1 (k1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k1) repeat to last stitch, k1

Row 2: purl

Row 3: k1 (k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk) repeat to last stitch, k1

Row 4: purl

Repeat these 4 rows until piece measures approx 4 1/2", ending with row 4. Knit 4 rows and bind off, but don't break yarn. Starting at end of bind off (left cheek) with right side facing, pick up and knit approximately 66 sts along edge to opposite end (right cheek). Knit 1, purl 1 for 5 rows, then bind off in rib pattern.

Sew ribbon to bottom corners. You may draw yarn thru your cast on circle and pull tight. Weave in ends.

