

“The Republic”



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*Note: The original pattern was written for my head and it looks like others have had to lengthen it by an inch to get it to fit them. After reading about this increase in length required by the masses, I decided to revise the pattern to include an extra inch of length. The change made in the pattern is shown in red.

3.5 oz. Plymouth Encore Chunky (Color #999; 3.5oz, 143 yds per ball; 75% acrylic, 25% wool). You may also use any Bulky Weight Yarn.

Size US 10 circular needles, 16” length

Size US 10 double pointed needles (dpn)

Stitch Markers

Tapestry Needle

Button (2” diameter)

Gauge: 3.5 stitches and 5 rows per inch in stockinette stitch.
Hat has a 22" circumference.

INSTRUCTIONS:

(Note: You will start by knitting a flat garter stitch rectangle that will be joined for knitting in the round.)

Cast on 90 stitches with circular needles.

(RS) Knit entire row.

(WS) Knit entire row.

Continue this way in garter stitch until piece measures 2 inches, ending with a wrong side row.

(RS) Bind off 13 stitches (77 stitches remain). Knit to end of row. DO NOT TURN. You will now join for knitting in the round.

Place marker to mark the beginning of the round and join by knitting the first stitch after the bound off section.

Continue knitting each round until the hat measures 6 inches from cast on edge.

Crown Shaping: (Transfer stitches to dpn when the circumference is too small to knit with the circular needles).

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(K9, K2TOG) to end.

(K8, K2TOG) to end.

(K7, K2TOG) to end.

(K6, K2TOG) to end.

(K5, K2TOG) to end.

(K4, K2TOG) to end.

(K3, K2TOG) to end.

(K2, K2TOG) to end.

(K1, K2TOG) to end.

(K2TOG) to end.

Cut yarn end and weave through the remaining 7 stitches twice with tapestry needle.

Secure the "garter flap" (created from the 13 st bind off) to the hat by sewing the button to the flap through both layers.

Weave in ends.

TOP VIEW



ALTERNATE VIEW OF HAT SHOWING BUTTON FLAP:



