

Textured Ski Hat

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Classic Elite Yarns

Inca Alpaca

100% baby alpaca

Inca Alpaca is soft, sturdy and very warm—even when wet. Alpaca is a smoother fiber than wool, giving it a luster that many wools lack. It's also a dry fiber; there's no lanolin to worry about if you're one of the folks who reacts to lanolin in wool.

The great color range in Inca Alpaca make it great for patterns with multiple colors.

Skill Level: Intermediate

The lining, texture stitch and baby alpaca knit at a firm gauge combine in this traditional ski hat, guaranteed to keep your ears warm.

SIZE

Adult medium, 20¼" circumference

YARN

Inca Alpaca by **Classic Elite Yarns**
(100% baby alpaca; 50 g = 109 yards)

1 hank each:

A – 1114 Partridge

B – 1124 Nuevo Blue Heather

C – 1141 Fern

D – 1198 Persimmon

NEEDLES

Two circular knitting needle (16") in size US 3 (3.25 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**

Double pointed needles (dpns) in size US 3 (3.25 mm)

OTHER MATERIALS

Stitch marker

GAUGE

22 sts and 40 rnds = 4" in Texture St.

Take time to save time, check gauge.





ABBREVIATIONS

beg: begin(ning)
BOR: beginning of rnd
CO: cast on
dec: decrease
k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
m1: make 1
pm: place marker
rem: remaining
rep: repeat
rnd(s): rounds
st(s): stitch(es)
sl: slip
sl 1: slip 1 stitch purtwise
tog: together
wyib: with yarn in back
wyif: with yarn in front
WS: wrong side

PATTERN STITCH

Texture Stitch (odd number of sts)

Rnd 1: With B, *k1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 2: With B, knit.

Rnd 3: With A, *k1, sl 1 wyib; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 4: With A, knit.

Rnd 5: With C, *k1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 6: With C, knit.

Rnd 7: With A, *k1, sl 1 wyib; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 8: With A, knit.

Rnd 9: With B, *k1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 10: With B, knit.

Rnd 11: With D, *k1, sl 1 wyib; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 12: With D, knit.

Rnd 13: With C, *1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 14: With C, knit.

Rnd 15: With D, *k1, sl 1 wyib; rep from * and end k1.

Rnd 16: With D, knit.

Rep rnds 1-16 for Texture St.

HAT

Lining: With circular needle and A, CO 101 sts. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts. Pm for BOR. Work in St st for 2". **Turning rnd:** Purl.

Increase rnd: K1, *m1, k10; rep from * – 111 sts.

Est Pattern: Work in Texture St for 2" ending with an odd numbered rnd (sl st rnd).

Join lining: With extra needle, pick up 111 sts from CO rnd of lining (pick up both the front and the back of 10 sts, evenly spaced, from the CO rnd of 101 sts to get 111 sts).

Knit the next rnd of Texture St as est and with extra needle/lining sts folded to WS of work, knit 1 lining st tog with 1 st from hat around – 111 sts.

Cont in Texture St until hat meas 7" from turning rnd, ending with an odd numbered rnd (sl st rnd).

Shape top: (Change to dpns when necessary)

Dec rnd: K9, k2tog, *k8, k2tog ; rep from * – 100 sts.

Cont in Texture St until hat meas 8" from turning rnd, ending with an odd numbered rnd (sl st rnd).

Dec rnd: *K3, k2tog; rep from * – 80 sts.

Work next rnd (odd numbered sl st rnd) as est.

Dec rnd: *K2tog; rep from *.

Work next rnd (odd numbered sl st rnd) as est.

Rep the last 2 rnds twice more – 10 sts.

Break yarns leaving 10" tails. Thread tails through rem sts, draw up tightly. Fasten off. Attach another 10" strand of each color to top of hat and braid ends tog for 4". Knot ends at base of braid and trim ends to 4" for tassel.