

Delilah Hat in Blackthorn

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Blackthorn

Wool • Superfine Alpaca

Undyed alpaca and wool merge in a plump, squishy 100 gram hank of fiber scrumptiousness! Part of the MountainTop Collection of yarns spun from natural, undyed fibers, Blackthorn is the soft, chunky counterpart to worsted-weight Vista.

SKILL LEVEL

Intermediate

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approx 19" head circumference with ribbing relaxed.

YARN

MountainTop Blackthorn by
Classic Elite Yarns

(50% superfine alpaca, 50% wool;
100 g = approx 120 yards)

1 hank 7016 Alabaster

NEEDLES

Circular knitting needle (16") and
double pointed needles (dpn) in size
US 11 (8 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**

OTHER MATERIALS

Stitch marker

Stitch holder or waste yarn

GAUGE

14 sts and 22 rnds = 4" in St st. **Take
time to save time, check your gauge.**

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ABBREVIATIONS

approx: approximately

Backward Loop Cast-on: *Wrap yarn around left thumb from front to back and secure in palm with other fingers. Insert needle upwards through strand on thumb. Slip loop from thumb onto RH needle, pulling yarn to tighten. Rep from * for desired number of sts.

beg: begin(ning)

CO: cast on

cont: continue

dec('d): decrease(d)

g: gram(s)

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

Garner Stitch (Gtr st): Knit all sts, every row.

LH: left hand

meas: measure(s)

p: purl

pc(s): piece(s)

pm: place marker

rem: remain(ing)

rep: repeat

RH: right hand

rnd(s): round(s)

st(s): stitch(es)

Stockinette Stitch (St st): Knit all sts, every rnd.

WS: wrong side

PATTERN STITCH

Rib (multiple of 3 sts)

Rnd 1: *K1, p2; rep from *.

Rnd 2: Knit.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 for Rib.

HAT

Strip (make 2): With dpn, CO 4 sts.

*Working back and forth in rows, work in Gtr st for 11", ending with a WS row.

Break yarn and slip sts to st holder or waste yarn.

Rep from * for second strip, but Do NOT break yarn. Slip sts to RH end of circular needle.

Brim: Slip 4 held strip sts onto LH end of same circular needle. With yarn attached to second strip knit across sts of first strip, then use backward loop CO method to CO 58 sts – 66 sts.

Pm and join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

Work in Rib for 1½" ending with Rnd 1 of Rib. Work 3 rnds in St st.

*Twist the strips around each other twice and move them up between the needles to the back of work. Pull sts snugly over twisted strips and work 6 rnds in St st. Move strips to front of work and cinch tightly together the 6 rnds of St st over the twisted strips to create a welt. Work 6 rnds in St st.

Rep from * once.

Twist the strips around each other twice and move them between the needles to back of work. Pull sts snugly over twisted strips and work 6 rnds in St st.

Cont in St st, changing to dpn when necessary and **Shape Crown as follows:**

Dec Rnd 1: *K4, k2tog; rep from * – 55 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Dec Rnd 2: *K3, k2tog; rep from * – 44 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Dec Rnd 3: *K2, k2tog; rep from * – 33 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Dec Rnd 4: *K1, k2tog; rep from * – 22 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Dec Rnd 5: *k2tog; rep from * – 11 sts.

Dec Rnd 6: K2tog 3 times, knit to end – 8 sts rem; pc meas approx 8" from beg.

Strip (make 2): K4, turn. Leave rem 4 sts on dpn.

*Working back and forth in rows, work in Gtr st for 4". BO all sts.

With RS facing, join yarn to 4 held sts leaving a 7" tail for finishing.

Rep from *.

FINISHING

Pull the 2 strips that were woven in the hat through the top of the hat.

Weave in ends, closing any gaps at top of hat with tail.

Block if desired, taking care not to stretch ribbing.