

BRIOCHE BEANIE

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Classic Elite Yarns

BLACKTHORN

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. The superfine alpaca makes pieces soft and warm, while the wool lends it strength.

A great introduction to Brioche knitting, this beanie is thick and squishy.

SKILL LEVEL
Intermediate

SIZE
Adult M/L

FINISHED MEASUREMENT
Circumference: 19½" unstretched.

YARN
Blackthorn by **Classic Elite Yarns**
(50% superfine alpaca; 50% wool;
100 g = approx 120 yards)
1 hank 7006 Wolf

NEEDLES
Circular knitting needle (16") and
double pointed needles (dpn) in size US
10½ (6.5 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**

OTHER MATERIALS
Stitch markers

GAUGE
13 sts and 32 rnds = 4" in Brioche rib
(each st is only worked every other
rnd). **Take time to save time, check
your gauge.**



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PATTERN STITCHES

1 x 1 Rib (multiple of 2 sts)

All rnds: *P1, k1; rep from *.

Brioche Rib (multiple of 2 sts)

Set up rnd: *sl1yo, k1; rep from *.

Rnd 1: *brp1, sl1yo; rep from *.

Rnd 2: *sl1yo, brk1; rep from *.

Rep rnds 1-2 for Brioche Rib.

Notes: A stitch with its corresponding yarn over is counted as one stitch.

Therefore, the k3tog in Brioche rib works 5 strands on needle tog: the k st with its yo, the p st, and the next k st with its yo.

When slipping a knit and doing its yarn over, bring the yarn back under the needle to the front to be ready to p2tog. When doing the sl1yo, you may find that you can slip the st and yo in the same movement or that you need to start with the yo, then slip the stitch.

A rnd here means a single pass around the needle; therefore only half the sts are worked on each rnd.

HAT

With circular needle, CO 64 sts. Pm and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

Work in 1 x 1 Rib until pc meas 1¼" from CO.

Change to Brioche Rib until piece meas 6¼" from CO, ending with rnd 1, and placing markers every 16 sts on the last rnd (4 markers on needle including BOR marker).

Shape crown: Change to dpn when there are too few sts to fit around the circular needle.

Dec rnd: *Work rnd 2 in Brioche Rib to 3 sts before marker, k3tog (see note), slm; rep from * – 8 sts dec'd – 56 sts.

Work 3 rnds in Brioche rib as est.

Rep the last 4 rnds 5 more times – 16 sts.

Work Dec rnd once more – 8 sts.

FINISHING

Break yarn leaving a 6" tail. Thread tail onto a tapestry needle, pull through all sts twice to close top of hat, pull snugly then fasten off tail on WS.

Weave in ends.



ABBREVIATIONS

approx: approximately

BOR: beginning of round

brk1: knit st tog with its yo

brp1: purl st tog with its yo

CO: cast on

dec('d): decrease(d)

k: knit

k3tog: knit 3 sts together (1 st dec'd)

meas: measure(s)

p: purl

pc(s): piece(s)

pm: place marker

rem: remain(ing)

rep(s): repeat(s)

rnd(s): round(s)

slm: slip marker

sl1yo: yarn over and slip one st purlwise

st(s): stitch(es)

tog: together

WS: wrong side