

Cotton Bam Boo Baby Hat

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Classic Elite Yarns

The Yarn

Cotton Bam Boo

52% Cotton, 48% Bamboo Viscose

Cotton Bam Boo is a smooth, lustrous sportweight yarn with great stitch definition. The cotton component allows the blend to knit up into a fabric that is soft and breathable. Bamboo adds a soft sheen, and it is naturally antibacterial. The cotton/bamboo blend gives a wonderful drape.

The Pattern

Skill Level: Intermediate

Model Size: 0–6 months

SIZES: 0–6 (12–24) months

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: 15¼ (17)" circumference, measured at band

YARN:

Cotton Bam Boo by **Classic Elite**

(52% cotton, 48% bamboo viscose;
50 gram ball = approx 130 yards)

1 ball MC: 3607 Confetti

1 ball CC: 3671 Provence Pink

NEEDLES AND OTHER MATERIALS:

Circular knitting needle (16") in size US 4 and 5 (3.5 and 3.75 mm) and set of double pointed needles (dpns) in size US 4 (3.5 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**

Stitch marker

Removable stitch marker

Tapestry needle

GAUGE: 26 sts and 32 rows =4" in Stockinette Stitch with larger need. **Take time to save time, check gauge.**





ABBREVIATIONS:

approx: approximately
beg: begin(ning)
BOR: beginning of round
CO: cast on
cont: continue
est: establish(ed)
LH: left hand
k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
meas: measure(s)
p: purl
patt: pattern
pc: piece
rem: remain(ing)
rep: repeat
RH: right hand
rnd: round
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side

PATTERN STITCHES:

Circular Stockinette Stitch (St st):

Knit all sts, every rnd.

I-Cord: *Knit 1 row; without turning the work, slide the sts to RH end of needle, pull yarn tightly from the end of the row, (behind the sts); rep from * until cord meas desired length. Give the cord a tug to make the little carry across the back disappear. *Note: the pulled yarn for the first stitch may look a little loose. As the I cord grows, the stitches settle in nicely.*

BOW AND BAND

First Bow End: With CC and smaller needle, CO 8 sts and work I-cord until piece measures 1½" from CO edge. Place a removable marker in fabric by needle and continue in I-cord for band until pc measures 16½ (18½)" from CO edge.

Make buttonhole: K2, BO 4 sts, k2 – 4 sts. Being careful not to twist I-cord, slip CO end of I-cord through the buttonhole (between the 4 sts on the needle and underneath the needle), pull through until removable marker is under the needle. Remove marker and turn work: (WS) k2, pick up and knit 4 sts from section of I-cord where marker was removed, k2 – 8 sts. Work back and forth in rows: purl 1 row then knit 1 row.

Second Bow End: (RS) With RH needle pick up first st from I-cord underneath work and purl it together with first st on needle, p6, with LH needle pick up last st from I-cord underneath work and purl it together with last st on needle – 8 sts. Continue in I-cord until piece meas 1½" from last purl row. BO all sts. Use yarn ends on either end of bow to tack it down. Weave in ends and lightly block band flat with bow in front.

HAT

With MC and smaller needle, start at center of the bow and evenly pick up and knit 100 (110) stitches around band. Join and place marker for BOR. Work in circular St st until pc meas 3 (3¼)" from picked up sts at top of band.

Shape Crown: (change to dpns when necessary)

Rnd 1: *K2tog, k8; rep from * – 90 (99) sts.

Rnd 2 and all even rnds: knit.

Rnd 3: *K2tog, k7; rep from * – 80 (88) sts.

Rnd 5: *K2tog, k6; rep from * – 70 (77) sts.

Rnd 7: *K2tog, k5; rep from * – 60 (66) sts.

Rnd 9: *K2tog, k4; rep from * – 50 (55) sts.

Rnd 11: *K2tog, k3; rep from * – 40 (44) sts.

Rnd 13: *K2tog, k2; rep from * – 30 (33) sts.

Rnd 15: *K2tog, k1; rep from * – 20 (22) sts.

Rnd 17: *K2tog; rep from * – 10 (11) sts.

Break yarn after Rnd 17, leaving approx 8" tail. Thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to close top of hat and fasten off.

BRIM

On the lower part of band, with smaller needle use MC to pick up and knit 100 (110) stitches around the circumference of the band, starting at the center bow. Join and place marker for BOR. Work in circular St st until piece measures 1" from pick up round at band. Attach a 2nd strand of MC and change to larger needle. Working with 2 strands of yarn, knit 3 rnds. BO all sts loosely.

FINISHING

Lightly block hat to measurement.