

Classic Silk Beret

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The Yarn

Classic Silk

50% Cotton, 30% Silk, 20% Nylon

Classic Silk is a soft, summer yarn with a nubby texture that is wonderful for next-to-skin garments. This cool and breathable yarn shows off a variety of stitches, from lace to cables, and is available in an extensive palette of colors that look great together and alone.

The Pattern

Skill Level: Easy

SIZES: S (M, L)

FINISHED MEAS: 16¾ (17½, 18½)"

YARN:

Classic Silk by **Classic Elite** (50% cotton, 30% silk, 20% nylon; 50 gram ball = approx 135 yards)

Striped version:

1 ball A: 6909 Maho Bay

1 ball B: 6947 Cobalt

NEEDLES AND OTHER MATERIALS:

Circular knitting needle (16") and a set of double pointed needles (dpns) in US 6 (4 mm) **or size to obtain gauge.**
Stitch markers

GAUGE:

20 sts and 32 rows = 4" in St st. **Take time to save time, check gauge.**



Classic Elite Yarns





PATTERN STITCHES:

Stockinette Stitch (St st): Knit on RS, purl on WS.

Circular 2 x 2 Rib: (multiple of 4 sts)

All rnds: *P1, k2, p1; rep from * around.

Stripe Sequence:

Work 1 rnd with Color A, *2 rnds with Color B, 2 rnds with Color A; rep from * to end.

STRIPED BERET

With Color A and circular needle, CO 84 (88, 92) sts. Work in Stripe Sequence throughout.

Work 2 x 2 Rib for 1¼ (1½, 1¾)", ending after the second rnd of a color.

Inc Rnd: *K2, m1; rep from * around—126 (132, 138) sts.

Work even in St st until pc meas 4½ (5, 5½)" from inc rnd.

Shape top:

Place 6 markers evenly spaced (every 21 (22, 23) sts).

Dec Rnd: [Ssk, k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog] 6 times—12 sts dec'd.

Cont in St st, rep dec rnd EOR 8 (8, 9) more times, changing to dpns when necessary—18 (24, 18) sts rem.

Last Rnd: *K2tog; rep from * around—9 (12, 9) sts rem. Break yarn leaving approx 8" tail of yarn. Thread tail through rem sts and pull tight.

FINISHING

If desired, block hat around appropriate sized dinner plate, stretching the hat slightly.



ABBREVIATIONS:

approx: approximately

dec('d): decrease(d)

EOR: every other round

inc('d): increase(d)

k: knit

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

LH: left hand

m1: (make 1) insert LH needle under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st, from the front to the back, knit through the back loop (1 st inc'd)

p: purl

rem: remain(ing)

RH: right hand

rnd(s): round(s)

ssk: (slip, slip, knit) slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; return sts to LH needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (1 st dec'd)

st(s): stitch(es)