Tindra - a starry hat

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I designed this hat in the break room at Børnehuset Emdrup Søgårds (a childrens day care center), as a consequence of seeing my coworkers with painfully red and cold ears on the playgrund. I decided to spend my breaks putting colors and patterns together for a lovely and warm hat that would ensure the survival of my poor, cold coworkers on the playground.

The hat has since been knit in a variety of colors and for a variety of people – day care teachers, a carpenter's apprentice, a student and my little brother.

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Materials

Peruvian Highland Wool by Filcolana 100 g of the main color (color 814), 50 g of the contrast color (for the star pattern - color 101) and 15 g of a second contrast color (for the edge and pom pom - color 257).

4 and 5 mm circular needles, 40 cm long 5 mm double-pointed needles

Sizes

one size - unisex

Measurements

Fits head circumference: 53-60 cm

Gauge

18 sts and 20 rows = $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}$

Directions for knitting

The hat is worked from the bottom up.

Special Abbreviations

M1: Make 1. Increase one stitch by lifting the chain between sts onto the left needle and knitting it through the back loop.

Hat

Cast on 80 sts with the second contrast color on a 4 mm circular needle. Knit 1 round of k2, p2 ribbing. Change to the main color and continue in ribbing as established until the work measures 16 cm.

Change to the 5 mm circular needle and continue in stockinette stitch. Increase 10 sts evenly across the next round: *k8, M1*. Repeat from * to * to end of round.

There are 90 sts on the needle. Work 6 rounds af stockinette stitch.

Work the charted pattern - the 18 sts of the chart are repeated 5 times on a round. Work 3 round of stocki-



nette stitch with the main color when the 15 rounds of the chart have been worked. Work the following decreases: **Next round:** *k16, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * another 4 times. Next round: Knit. **Next round:** *k15, k2tog*. Repeat from * to * another 4 times.



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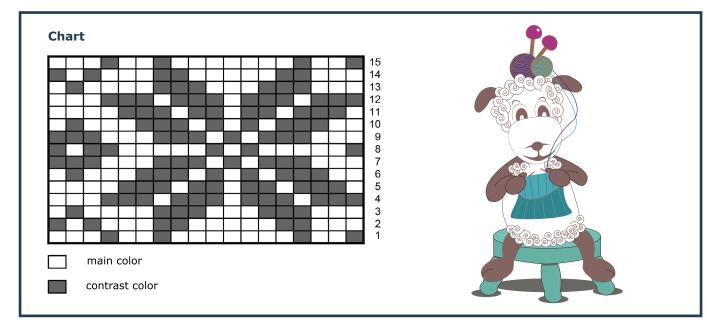
Continue working decreases every other round another 7 times, but with one stitch less between the decreases for every repeat.

Work the decreases every round until there are a total of 5 sts left on the needle. Change to double-pointed needles when necessary.

Break the yarn and pull it through the remaining sts on the needle.

Weave in the end. Gently rinse the finished work, put it through a (dry) spin cycle in the washing machine and lay it on a flat surface to dry.

Make a pom pom with an approx. diameter of 5 cm. Sew it onto the top of the hat. Fold the brim and enjoy your lovely work.





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