Quick Cap

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This cap is knit back and forth in garter stitch using short rows for shaping. The cap in the photo was knit using yarn with a long color change to show where it was joined. One corner of the edge is turned up and fastened with a broach or a button.

Jupplies and Gauge

YARN: DK weight or light worsted weight

NEEDLES: Size U.S. 4, 5, or 6.

GAUGE: 5.5 sts/inch

Abbreviations

k-knit

kb-knit in back of stitch

sl-slip as if to purl

sts-stitches

wrap—yarn to front, slip next stitch, yarn to back, slip the slipped stitch back to left needle

ytf-yarn to front between needles

Wedge

• Cast on 48 sts

Row I: K47, ytf, sl1 for the first wedge.

For the rest of the wedges, kb1, k46, ytf, sl1.

Row 2: kb1, k46, ytf, sl1

Row 3: kb1, k45, wrap, turn

Row 4: k45, ytf, sl1

Row 5: kb1, k43, wrap, turn

Row 6: k43, ytf, sl1

Row 7: kb1, k41, wrap, turn

Row 8: k41, ytf, sl1

Row 9: kb1, k39, wrap, turn

Row io: k39, ytf, sl1

Row II: kb1, k37, wrap, turn

Row 12: k37, ytf, sl1

Row 13: kb1, k35, wrap, turn

Row 14: k35, ytf, sl1

Row 15: kb1, k33, wrap, turn

Row 16: k33, ytf, sl1

Row 17: kb1, k31, wrap, turn

Row 18: k31, ytf, sl1

Row 19: kb1, k29, wrap, turn

Row 20: k29, ytf, sl1

Row 21: kb1, k27, wrap, turn

Row 22: k27, ytf, sl1



Construction

• Work enough wedges so that the lower edge fits the circumference of the head. The cap in the photo has nine(9) wedges.

CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO FINISHES:

Regular cap:

- Work Row 1 back to the top of the cap.
- Pick up the back loops of the cast-on stitches on a spare needle.
- Work a three-needle bind off to bottom of cap on the inside. To do that, hold the spare needle behind the working needle, insert right needle into the first stitches of both needles and knit a stitch. Bind off the new stitches as you go.
- Gather the hole in the top shut and work in the ends. *Styled cuff cap:*
- Bind off the first 12 sts and then knit back to the top of the cap.
- Work the three-needle bind off as described for the regular cap *except* shorten the cast-on edge by knitting two spare-needle stitches together with a working-needle stitch every third bind off. When you get close to the 12 bind-off stitches at the bottom of the cap, adjust the two-together process so that the short side ends at the last available working-needle stitch
- Gather the hole in the top shut and work in the ends.
- Turn up a cuff corner and fasten with a broach or a button.