

Purl and Rib Stitch Hat by Ms Yarn (Catherine)

This loom knitting pattern is accessible for people who have low vision, people who are print challenged, and people who use screen readers.

This was tested for screen readers using the read out loud function in Adobe Acrobat.

It is accessible because I use all black sans serif font in 24 point size.

There is no extra formatting, and I use one inch margins.

All directions are fully written out, so the knitter does not need a knitting chart.



Image description: Chunky blue hat, lying flat, showing rib stitch brim, the bumps of the purl and rib stitch body, and decreased crown.

You only need to know how to knit and purl to make this hat. It comes with a [step by step video](#) too! I've used a 46 peg extra large gauge Martha Stewart loom for the instructions and tutorial, but you can adapt this pattern for a large gauge loom, like I've

done with the 48 peg large gauge CinDWood loom. More photos are available on the [Ravelry page](#).

This project has a descriptive YouTube video, but some of the information in the video can only be seen by sighted knitters.

The video is fully captioned and is accessible for people with hearing impairments.

[Link to YouTube video](#).

Materials.

For the materials, you need a 46 peg extra large gauge such as the Martha Stewart loom.

The pegs are spaced three quarters of an inch apart.

For the yarn, I used #6 Wool Ease Thick and Quick which is 87 yards or 80 metres long. I used a blue colour called Peacock.

You will also need a hook, a pair of scissors, and a yarn needle, and you may need stitch markers or loom markers to help you with the rib stitch and for the crown decrease.

Finished size.

The circumference of the body of hat when lying flat is 16 inches or 40 centimetres.

The circumference of rib brim when lying flat is 14 inches or 36 centimetres.

The length of the hat is 10.5 inches or 27 centimetres.

Gauge.

The gauge is 11 stitches and 17 rows for 4 inches or 10 centimetres of the purl and rib stitch pattern.

Instructions.

Mark loom.

You might find it helpful to mark Peg 1 if you don't have an anchor peg.

You may want to mark either your knit stitches or purl stitches; this would help you with several rows of the rib stitch.

I recommend marking sets of 4 pegs. We will decrease the crown over sets of 4 pegs later.

Cast on.

Do a round of e-wraps, then alternate e-wraps and purl stitches.

Brim.

Round 1: E-wrap Knit 1, Purl 1. Repeat to end.

Repeat Round 1 for a total of 8 times to complete the brim.

Purl and Rib Stitch Body.

Round 9: Purl entire round.

Rounds 10 and 11: E-wrap Knit 1, Purl 1.
Repeat to end.

Repeat this three-round repeat until you have completed Round 36 which is a Purl round.

You can finish earlier on another Purl round if you want your hat to be shorter in height, such as Round 33, or even Round 30. The decrease will add about 2 inches to the top of your hat.

First crown decrease.

Divide your loom into sets of 4 pegs for the decrease. It's OK if your loom is not a perfect multiple of 4. Follow the instructions as applicable.

You want to go from 46 stitches to 35 stitches.

Round 37:

E-wrap knit on peg 1.

Purl on peg 2.

Move stitch from peg 4 to peg 3.

E-wrap knit on peg 3. You will knit over both bottom loops.

Repeat to end.

Round 38:

E-wrap knit on peg 1.

Purl on peg 2.

E-wrap knit on peg 3.

Repeat to end.

Second crown decrease.

You want to go from 34 stitches to 23 stitches.

Round 39:

Move stitch on peg 2 to peg 1.

E-wrap knit on peg 1. You will knit over both bottom loops.

E-wrap knit on peg 3.

Repeat to end.

Round 40:

E-wrap knit on peg 1.

E-wrap knit on peg 3.

Repeat to end.

Bind off.

Use the gather bind off method. First wrap loom once with working yarn and cut it off. Then pull yarn up each peg. Pull to gather. Weave in ends.

If you make this hat, please consider sharing it on Instagram #MsYarn and tagging me @HelloMsYarn.

Link to [YouTube channel](#). Link to [Instagram](#).

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