

# Hope Valley Hat

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**Construction:** Hope Valley is a cabled hat designed to fit toddlers and children in three sizes. The smallest size stretches to fit up to an 18" head circumference and is sized for a toddler (18-24 months). The largest size stretches to fit up to a 21" head circumference which would also fit a smaller adult head. The cables and garter ridge sections are separated by purl stitches, giving the hat generous stretch.

**Skill level:** Intermediate

**Skills needed:** knitting in the round, basic cables, decreasing by k2tog, p2tog, and ssk.



**Size:** Toddler, (Small Child, Large Child/Teenager)

**Circumference:** Stretches to fit up to 18" (19 1/2", 21") head circumference

**Height:** 6 1/2" (7", 7 1/2")

**Gauge:** 22 sts and 25 rows per 4" in cable pattern (blocked, but unstretched).

## Materials:

US 7 (4.5 mm) 16" (40 cm) circular needle and double pointed needles

100 (120, 140) yards of worsted weight wool or wool-blend yarn

Stitch Marker

Yarn needle

Scissors

## Abbreviations:

CO: Cast on

k: knit

k2tog: knit two together: knit next two stitches together

p: purl

p2tog: purl two together: purl next two stitches together.

ssk: slip slip knit: slip next two stitches knitwise, then knit them together.

1/1 LC: 2 stitch left cable: hold next stitch to front of work, knit next stitch, knit held stitch.

1/2 LC: 3 stitch left cable: hold next 2 stitches to front of work, knit next stitch, knit two held stitches.

2/2 LC: 4 st left cable: Hold next two sts to front of work, knit next two sts, knit held sts.

**Notes:** Instructions for the smallest size are written first with instructions for larger sizes written in parentheses. If there are no parentheses, the instructions apply to all sizes.

Written instructions begin below (on page 3) and a charted version is on the next page (on page 4).

**Instructions:**

CO 70 (80, 90) sts. Join work to knit in the round, being careful not to twist work.

Brim:

Round 1: \*k1, p2, k1, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 2: \*k1, p2, k1, p1, k4, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Rnds 1 - 2 five, (six, six) times (10 (12, 12 rounds complete)

Body of Hat:

Round 3: \*k4, p1, k1, p2, k1, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 4: \*2/2 LC, p1, k4, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 5: Repeat round 3

Round 6: \*k4, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd..

Rnds 3 - 6 eight (eight, nine) times.

Crown Decreases:

Round 7: \*k1, k2tog, k1, p1, k1, p2, k1, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 8: \*1/2 LC, p1, k4, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 9: \*k3, p1, k1, p2tog, k1, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 10: \*k3, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 11: \*k1, k2tog, (p1, k1) twice, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 12: \*1/1 LC, p1, k3, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 13: K2, p1, ssk, k1, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 14: \*ssk, p1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 15: ssk around.

Round 16: ssk around.

Cut yarn and weave tail through remaining stitches. Weave in remaining ends. Lightly wet block. Wear.

**Chart:**

The following chart can be used instead of the written pattern above. Cast on 70 (80, 90) stitches. For the brim, knit rounds 1 - 2 five (six, six) times. Knit rounds 3- 6 eight, (eight, nine) times. Knit the decrease rounds. Cut yarn and weave tail through remaining stitches. Weave in remaining ends. Lightly wet block. Wear.

