

BUTTON-UP SLOUCHY HAT

The look of this soft slouch changes instantly depending on the type of buttons you use. In addition to natural wooden buttons, you might want to play around with contrasting acrylics, filigreed brass, or even fabric-covered versions. If you're knitting this for a guy, you can omit the buttons for a more masculine style.

Skill Level: Easy

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MATERIALS AND TOOLS

- ◆ Berroco Vintage Chunky (50% acrylic, 40% wool, 10% nylon; 3.5oz/100g = 130yds/119m); 1 skein, Dungaee #6187—approximately 130yds/119m of bulky weight yarn (1)
- ◆ Knitting needles: 5.5mm (size 9 U.S.) circular needle, 16"/41cm long and double pointed needles or size to obtain gauge
- ◆ 4 buttons, 3/4"/2cm in diameter
- ◆ Stitch marker
- ◆ Tapestry needle

GAUGE

- ◆ 15 sts/18 rows = 4"/10cm in St st

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

- ◆ 20"/51cm circumference, to fit 20–23"/51–58cm head circumference

instructions

GARTER STITCH BAND

Note: Sl first st of each row pwise wyif.

With circular needle, CO 84 sts. Do not join in the round.

Rows 1–4: Knit.

Row 5: K to last 9 sts, yo, k2tog, k2, k2tog, yo, k3.

Rows 6–16: Knit.

Row 17: Rep row 5.

Rows 18–20: Knit.

Row 21: K to last 12 sts. BO 12 sts—72 sts.

Break yarn.

BODY

Hold garter band with buttonholes on the left. Join yarn to top right side corner of the garter band.

Knit across 72 sts on needle. Pm and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist sts.

K in the rnd until hat measures 9"/23cm from CO edge.

SHAPE CROWN

Note: Change to dpns when needed.

Next (dec) rnd: *K6, k2tog, rep from * around—63 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Next (dec) rnd: *K5, k2tog, rep from * around—54 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Next (dec) rnd: *K4, k2tog, rep from * around—45 sts.

Next (dec) rnd: *K3, k2tog, rep from * around—36 sts.

Next (dec) rnd: *K2tog, rep from * around—18 sts.

Next (dec) rnd: *K2tog, rep from * around—9 sts.

FINISHING

Cut yarn and draw tail through remaining sts. Weave in all ends.

