



MAGGIE'S RAGS™



Cabled Band Hat

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Sizing: Designed to fit elementary school children (aged about 5 to 10 years). To make a larger or smaller hat, knit a longer or shorter cabled band, and pick up more or fewer stitches for the crown and make the crown taller or shorter as desired. Another option is to vary the size of the needles used.

Yarn: Worsted weight yarn. Amount needed will vary, depending on how tightly you knit. Plan to use about 3.5 to 4 oz.

Needles: 16" circular needle, size #6 US (4 mm), or size needed to produce a comfortable fabric for a hat; set of double pointed needles the same size; cable needle.

Abbreviations
C6 = Cable 6: Slip 3 to cable needle and hold behind work, K3, K3 from cable needle
K = Knit
P = Purl



Band

Cast on 17 sts.

- Row 1: Knit
- Row 2: P14, K3
- Row 3: K3, C6, C6, K2
- Row 4: P14, K3
- Row 5: Knit
- Row 6: P14, K3

Repeat these 6 rows until band is 18" long.

Bind off, and sew ends of band together.

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Crown

The garter stitch edge of band will be the bottom of the hat. Pick up stitches along the opposite edge, starting at the seam. Pick up 3 stitches for every 4 rows of the band (about 92 sts). You must have a multiple of 4 sts.

Work circularly in K2 P2 ribbing for 5".

On the next round, *K2tog, P2 tog*, repeat to end of round (this will reduce the number of stitches by half).

Change to double pointed needles and work K1, P1 ribbing for 3 rounds.

K2tog around.

Knit one round.

Break off yarn and pull end through remaining stitches. Pull to inside and secure.

Weave in ends.