

# HatCowl

*It's a hat! It's a cowl! It's a fun, brisk knit that's perfect for self-striping yarn. Offered in one size, with a flexible ribbing stitch to accommodate most heads or necks.*

## Materials

Twisted Fiber Art Playful (100% superwash merino, 300 yards/100 grams), 80g  
3.5mm 16" circular needle or size to obtain gauge  
cable needle  
stitch marker

## Gauge

26 sts, 16 rounds = 4" in stocking stitch

## Finished Dimensions

One size fits most: 9.75" long; 19" around.

## Abbreviations

**CN:** cable needle.

**K:** knit.

**Ktbl:** knit through back loop.

**K2tog:** knit two together.

**P:** purl.

**P2tog:** purl two together.

**P2togtbl:** purl two together through back loop.

**s1:** slip one stitch to right needle purlwise  
**st(s):** stitch(es).

**yo twice:** yarn over twice; draw yarn to the back of the work if a purl stitch is next, or to the front if a knit, then loop the yarn over the top of the needle and back into position before working next stitch.

## Directions

Using 3.5mm circular needle, cast on 120 stitches. Set stitch marker and join to work in the round.

### Ribbing

Rounds 1-5: \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 6: [K1tbl, slip next st onto cable needle and hold in front, P1, K1tbl from cable needle, slip next st onto cable needle and hold in back, K1tbl, P1 from cable needle, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 7: [K1tbl, P1, K2tbl, P1, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 8: [K1tbl, slip next st onto cable needle and hold in back, K1tbl, P1 from cable needle, slip next st onto cable needle and hold in front, P1, K1tbl from cable needle, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Rounds 9, 12: [K1tbl, P4, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 10: [K1tbl, P2tog tbl, yo twice, P2tog, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 11: [K1tbl, yo, P2togtbl, P2tog, yo, K1tbl, P2] twice, \*K2tbl, P2; repeat from \* to end of round.

Rounds 13-15: Repeat rounds 6-8 inclusive

Rounds 16-20: \*K2tbl, P2, repeat from \* to end of round.

Rounds 21-23: Purl.





### Body

Round 1: s1, K to end of round (the slipped stitch eases the shift from the purl band to stocking stitch.)

Round 2: Knit.

Repeat Round 2 until hat measures 8-3/4" from cast on.

### Top

Round 1: \*K3, yo, K2tog; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 2: \*[K1tbl, P1] 4 times, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of round (the K1 maintains the size of its eyelet.)

Round 3: \*K1tbl, P1; repeat from \* to end of round.

Repeat Round 3 six times more.

Cast off in ribbing as set.

### Finishing

Cut an 8-10" tail; run in ends and wet block. From remaining yarn, cut six 26" lengths and knot securely at one end, leaving a 1" tassel. Separate the six strands into three groups of two and braid the lengths, tying a second knot at the end with another 1" tassel. Trim as required. When hat is dry, run braid through eyelets and tie as desired.

### Braiding tip

If you don't have anyone to hold the end of the braid for you, try slipping your leftover yarn snugly into a mug, then sticking a needle into the middle of the yarn.



You can tuck the end of the braid over the needle and slowly move backward as you work your braiding down to the end of the strands.

