



# Duck Egg Slouchy Beanie Hat

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This is a simple beanie hat with an interesting ribbing. If you want the hat to fit snugly on the head without any slouch then subtract 4cm (1in) from the main hat length before you start the decrease shaping.

## SIZES

To fit: small and large adult size.

Finished Hat Measurement: Main circumference 41/45cm (16/17.5in)

## YOU WILL NEED

Yarn:

Stylecraft Special DK

1 x 50g Ball

100 % acrylic

Needle size: 4mm

Stitches per 10cm: 28 sts x 36 rows

Meterage: 147m/161 yards

Note: Yarn amounts given are based on average requirements and are approximate.

## TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows to 10cm (4 ins) in st st using 4mm needles

Use larger or smaller needles if necessary to obtain correct tension.

## ABBREVIATIONS

St = stitch, sts = stitches, k = Knit, p = Purl, sl = slip, k2tog = knit the next 2 stitches together, skpo = slip one, knit one, pass slipped stitch over, yfwd = yarn brought forward, ybk = yarn to the back, rep = repeat, patt = pattern

## PATTERN

Using 4mm needles cast on 89/97 sts.

Row 1: \*K1, yfwd, sl the next st kwise, ybk, rep from \* to last st, k1.

Row 2: P.

Rows 1 and 2 form the patt, continue to work in this patt until the rib edging measures 6cm (2.5in) ending with a p row.

Next row: K2tog, k to end. 88/96 sts.

Next row: P

Now continue to work in stocking st until hat measures 17cm (7.75in)

Crown shaping:

Row1: [k1, skpo, k17(19), k2tog, place a marker] three times, k1, skpo, k17(19), k2tog. [80(88) stitches]

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: [K1, skpo, knit to 2 stitches before marker, k2tog, slip marker] four times. [8 stitches decreased]

Repeat Rows 2 and 3 until 16 (16) stitches remain.

Next row: Purl

Final Row: [K2tog] 8 times. 8 (8) stitches remain

Leave a long tail of yarn and with a tapestry needle weave through the last 8 sts to gather up the crown, fasten securely. Then use this yarn to sew up the back seam. Weave in ends.

**To make a plain version of this hat, work the rib in k1, p1 pattern. Place a small bow and button at the top of the crown and sew on securely.**

