Flat Knit Hat

A great next step for any new knitter!

Once you've mastered the 'knit' and 'purl' stitches, you'll be ready to tackle this hat which is knit flat then seamed using the whip stitch. Anyone who learned to knit during the 10,000 New Knitters event will find this to be a great follow-up project!

Finished Size
Adult Head - Approx. 20.5" in circumference; unstretched.

Featured Yarn
(1) hank of **HiKoo® Sueño Worsted Tonal**, *80% Superwash Merino Wool, 20% Viscose from Bamboo*; 182 yards per 100 gram hank. Shown in color #1510 Cobblestone Road Tonal.

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(1) pair 5.0mm (approx. US 8) **addiLinos** straight needles
(1) blunt tapestry needle
(3) stitch markers

Gauge
18 sts & 24 rows = 4 inches in Stockinette stitch
To save time, check your gauge and read all instructions thoroughly before beginning.

Instructions

Brim
Using the Long Tail Cast On, CO 90 sts loosely.
Note: If you have never knit and purl in the same row, please read the note at the end of the pattern.
Row 1: (WS) Sl1, p1, *k2, p2 repeat from * to end.
Row 2: (RS) Sl1, k1, *p2, k2 repeat from * to end.
Repeat **Rows 1 & 2** 5 times more to create the ribbing.
Repeat **Row 1** once more. Piece should now measure 2 inches from cast on edge.

Body
Row 14: (RS) Sl1, knit to end.
Row 15: (WS) Sl1, purl to end.
Repeat **Rows 14 & 15** 9 times more, or until piece measures 5" from cast on edge, having finished a Wrong Side row.
Row 34: (RS) Sl1, k1, K2tog, knit to 4 sts to the end, SSK, k2. (88 sts)
Row 35: (WS) Sl1, purl to end.
You will now begin decreasing for the top of the hat.

Crown Shaping
Row 36: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k14, SSK, k2, **Place Marker**, k2, K2tog, k14, SSK, k2, **Place Marker**, k2, K2tog, k14, SSK, k2, **Place Marker**, k2, K2tog, k14, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 80 sts)

Rows 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, & 49: Sl1, purl to end, slipping stitch markers as you come to them.

Row 38: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k12, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k12, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k12, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k12, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 72 sts)

Row 40: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k10, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k10, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k10, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k10, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 64 sts)

Row 42: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k8, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k8, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k8, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k8, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 56 sts)

Row 44: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k6, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k6, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k6, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k6, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 48 sts)

Row 46: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k4, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k4, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k4, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k4, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 40 sts)

Row 48: Sl1, k1, K2tog, k2, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k2, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k2, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, k2, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 32 sts)

Row 50: Sl1, k1, K2tog, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, SSK, k2, **Slip Marker**, k2, K2tog, SSK, k2. (8 sts decreased, 24 sts)

Row 51: Sl1, purl to end, removing stitch markers as you come to them.

Finishing
Cut yarn leaving a 24" tail for seaming.
Thread yarn into the tapestry needle.
Thread needle through remaining 24 sts and cinch tightly, securing with a knot.
Turn hat inside out and Whip Stitch from the top of the hat to the brim, being sure to match each side as evenly as possible.
Weave in all ends.

Above is how your seam will look on the inside of the hat.

Abbreviations

CO	Cast On
K	Knit
K2tog	Knit two stitches together
P	Purl
RS	Right Side
Sl1	Slip one stitch
SSK	Slip a stitch, slip a second stitch, then knit them both together
St(s)	Stitch(es)
St st	Stockinette Stitch
WS	Wrong Side

Is it your first time doing a knit and purl in the same row? Please read below:
To change from a knit to a purl, or a purl to a knit, mid-row, the working yarn has to be in the right place or you'll accidently create extra stitches.
If you begin by knitting and need to purl a stitch, move the working yarn from the back to the front over the top of your knitting, then purl the stitch.
If you begin by purling and need to knit a stitch, move the working yarn from the front to the back over the top of your knitting, then knit the stitch.

Why? What happens if you forget?
If you do not move the yarn and try to go from one stitch to another, it will create a new stitch each time. These stitches will not look like your normal stitches and should be easy to spot on the following row. If you do see one of these stitches, ON THE FOLLOWING ROW ONLY, just bump the extra stitch off the needle and continue. Always double check your stitch count to ensure you're not bumping off a real stitch instead of an extra stitch. If you leave these stitches in, it will increase the size of your hat and create a small 'hole' at each spot.