MOUSE SET

KNITTING PATTERN



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Skill level: easy

Sizes: 6m/1y/3y/child

With head circumference:

17"(43 cm)/18"(46 cm)/19"(48 cm)/20"(51 cm)

MATERIALS

Worsted (9 wpi; 10 ply; no 4: Medium) weight yarn about 150g or 246 yards

Few yards of contrast colors (like pink and gray) for the tail and whiskers

Double pointed knitting needles US 8 (5 mm) or to obtain gauge 4" x 4" = 18 sts x 26 rows (in stockinette stitch)

Tapestry needle

PATTERN NOTES

The hat and cowl are worked in round

Before you start, make sure your gauge is correct, adjust needles if needed

ABBREVIATIONS

St(s) – stitches K – knit P - purl K2tog – knit two stitches together Kfb – knit in front and back of stitch

THE HAT

Cast on 59/63/65/69 sts (6m/1y/3y/child and follow the given number throughout the pattern), join working in the round making sure there is no twist.

Round 1: *k1, p1* all around until the last st: k1

Round 2: *p1, k1* all around until the last st: p1

Repeat Round 1, once more.

Continue in stockinette stitch until the hat measures $5^{"}/6^{"}/6.5^{"}/7^{"}$ (that is 13; 15; 17; 18 cm) from the cast on round. Start decreasing:

Decrease Round 1: *k2tog, k2* all around, k last st if left any

Decrease Round 2: knit all sts

Decrease Round 3: *k2tog, k1* all around, k last st if left

Decrease Round 4: knit all sts

Decrease Round 5: *k2tog* all around, k last st if left any

Cut the yarn, pull it through the remaining sts, tighten together and fasten.

MOUSE EARS (MAKE 2)

The ears are worked flat and seamed later.

Cast on 8 sts, knit stockinette stitch for 4 rows.

Row 5: k2tog, k4, k2tog (6 sts)

Rows 6, 8, 10, 12, 14: purl all sts

Row 7: k2tog, k2, k2tog (4 sts)

Row 9: k2tog, k2tog (2 sts)

Row 11: kfb 2 times (4 sts)

Row 13: kfb, k2, kfb (6 sts)

Row 15: kfb, k4, kfb (8 sts)

Work 3 rows in stocking stitch and bind off all sts.

Sew all sides together, now use some other yarn (pink) and decorate the ears with running stitches.

COWL

Cast on 55/55/61/67 sts, join working in the round.

Round 1: *k1, p1* all around until the last st: k1

Round 2: *p1, k1* all around until the last st: p1

Repeat Round 1, once more.

Continue in stockinette stitch until the cowl measures 3"/4.5"/4.5"/5" (that is 8/11/11/13 cm) from cast on round.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2, and then Round 1 once again. Bind off.

With pink yarn embroider a small triangle as a nose. Use some other color (like gray) for the whiskers.

Tail is worked in round, e.g. with pink yarn.

Make an i-cord with 4 sts, divide them equally between 2 double pointed needles and work stockinette stitch until the tail measures about 7" (18 cm).

Last round: k2tog, k2tog. Cut the yarn, pull it through the remaining sts, tighten together and fasten – this will be the tail end.

Attach the tail with the cast on round to the back of the cowl seaming it close to bottom edge at the center. Wave in all ends.

