



Comfort Cap

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SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

SIZE AND MATERIALS:

One Size

Featured Yarn: Urban Silk by skacel collection, Inc., 80%Silk, 20% Cotton - 92 yds / 50g. Shown in Hat Color #03 (2 skeins) and Flower Color #01 (one skein).

Also required: 16" addi Turbo® circular needle in size 4 mm (approx US 6) and addi Natura double pointed needles in the same size, or size needed to obtain gauge; addi comfort grip crochet hook in size 4 mm (US "F"); stitch markers; and tapestry needle.

All yarn and needles distributed by skacel collection, Inc.

GAUGE:

20 sts and 29 rows = 4" x 4" in St st.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Hat Band:

CO 15 sts

Row 1: (P3, k3) 2x, p3.

Row 2: (K3, p3) 2x, k3.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until piece meas 23". Bind off in pattern. Break yarn

Hat:

On one long side of band mark 2.5" from each end. Pick up 80 sts between markers, and join into round, being careful not to twist stitches. Knit all rounds until hat meas 5.5" from bottom edge.

Shape crown as follows, changing to dpns as needed:

Rnd 1: *K8, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 72 sts.

Rnd 2 and all even rnds: Knit.

Rnd 3: *K7, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 64 sts.

Rnd 5: *K6, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 56 sts.

Rnd 7: *K5, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 48 sts.

Rnd 9: *K4, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 40 sts.

Rnd 11: *K3, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 32 sts.

Rnd 13: *K2, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 24 sts.

Rnd 15: *K1, k2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 16 sts.

Rnd 1: *K2tog, rep from * to end of rnd = 8 sts.

Cut yarn, leaving tail. Thread tail through remaining sts. Place band ends together and sew together at markers.

Flower:

Using a hook and flower color, work rose in a strip, as follows:

Row 1: Leave a tail at least 12 inches long to finish rose. Ch 55. Work 1dc into 4th ch from hook, *ch1, skip 2 ch, (dc, ch2, dc) in next st, rep from * to end. Turn.

Row 2: Ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch2 sp, *(ch2, 2dc, ch2, 2dc) in next ch2 sp, rep from * to end. Turn.

Row 3: 6dc into first ch2 sp, sc into next ch2 sp, (7dc into next ch2 sp, sc into next ch2 sp) 10x (9dc into next ch2 sp, sc into next ch2 sp) 7x.

Thread needle with long tail. Roll rose tightly, beginning at one end such that larger petals are on the outside, sewing layers as you go. Be sure to keep bottom of rose flat by keeping the bottom edge of the rose even.

Sew base of rose onto hat band inside of band seam, or attach rose to a safety pin at base and pin in place. Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS:

approx	approximate(ly)
ch	chain
CO	cast on
dc	double crochet
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together
p	purl
rep	repeat(s)
sc	single crochet
sp	space
st(s)	stitch(es)
x	times