Materials

- ☾ Plymouth *Encore Worsted* (75% acrylic, 25% wool; 200 yd. [183 m] per 100 g ball), #999 Burnt Sienna (color A), 1 skein, and #1014 Butternut (color B), 1 skein

- ☾ Or similar yarn that knits to specified gauge: worsted-weight wool or wool-blend yarn. The following amounts are based on the largest size:

  Beanie, Wide Stripes version: about 65 yd. [60 m] each of color A and color B

  Beanie, Narrow Stripes version: about 115 yd. [105 m] of color A and 15 yd. [14 m] of color B

  Beret, Wide Stripes version: about 80 yd. [73 m] of color A and 70 yd. [64 m] of color B

  Beret, Narrow Stripes version: about 145 yd. [132 m] of color A and 20 yd. [18 m] of color B

- ☾ US 6 [4 mm] 16" [40 cm] circular needle

- ☾ US 7 [4.5 mm] 16" [40 cm] circular needle

- ☾ US 7 [4.5 mm] double-pointed needles

- ☾ Stitch markers

- ☾ Tapestry needle

Gauge

18 sts and 26 rnds = 4" [10 cm] in St st using size 7 [4.5 mm] needles

HOUSE HATS

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A boy's beanie and a girl's beret to show off your school colors! They may not be magic, but these easy-to-knit hats will keep you warm and in style at the same time. The beanie has paired decreases at the crown for a more masculine and contemporary look, and the beret offers a feminine alternative to the standard hat shape. They're both knit in a practical and machine-washable acrylic/wool yarn that comes in all the Hogwarts house colors, so you can pick your house and your stripes and have house-head all winter long!

Beanie

Instructions

With smaller needles and color A, CO 84 (96, 108) sts, pm to note beg rnd, and join in a circle, being careful not to twist sts.

Edging

Work in single rib, as described in the stitch guide, for 6 rnds.

Body

Change to larger needles and work desired stripe patt in St st, beg with color B for Wide Stripes pattern and continuing with color A for Narrow Stripes pattern. Work in this manner until hat measures 5 (5½, 6)" [12.5 (14, 15) cm] from CO edge.

Next round: *K21 (24, 27); pm, rep from * to end of rnd—4 markers in place.

Decrease for Top

Change to dpns when too few sts remain to continue on circ needle.

Rnd 1: *K2tog, k17 (20, 23), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—76 (88, 100) sts.

Rnds 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10: Knit.

Rnd 3: *K2tog, k15 (18, 21), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—68 (80, 92) sts.

Rnd 5: *K2tog, k13 (16, 19), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—60 (72, 84) sts.

Rnd 7: *K2tog, k11 (14, 17), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—52 (64, 76) sts.

Rnd 9: *K2tog, k9 (12, 15), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—44 (56, 68) sts.

Rnd 11: *K2tog, k7 (10, 13), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—36 (48, 60) sts.

Rnd 12: *K2tog, k5 (8, 11), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—28 (40, 52) sts.

Rnd 13: *K2tog, k3 (6, 9), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—20 (32, 44) sts.

Rnd 14: *K2tog, k1 (4, 7), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—12 (24, 36) sts.

Finished Size

S (M, L)

Circumference: 18½ (21¼, 24)" [47 (54, 61) cm]

Length: Beanie, 7½ (8, 8½)" [19 (20.5, 21.5) cm], and Beret, 7 (7½, 8)" [18 (19, 20.5) cm]

Samples shown: Beret, size S, and Beanie, size M

Stitch Guide for This Project

Single Rib (1x1 Rib) Worked in Rounds

Rnd 1: *K1, p1; rep from * to end of rnd.

Rep rnd 1.

Stockinette Stitch (St st) Worked in Rounds

Knit all sts.

Stripe Patterns

Wide Stripes

Work 6 rnds color A, 6 rnds color B; rep from * for remainder of hat, adjusting the number of rnds worked in the final stripe according to hat instructions.

Note: Carry yarn not in use loosely across the skipped rnds.

Narrow Stripes

Work with color A until hat measures 3 (3½, 4)" [7.5 (9, 10) cm] from CO edge. Then work 2 rnds color B, 3 rnds color A, 2 rnds color B, and return to color A for remainder of hat.

Sizes M and L Only

Continue decreases for sizes M and L only:

> **Rnd 15:** *K2tog, k– (2, 5), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—12 (16, 28) sts.
>
> **Rnd 16:** *K2tog, k– (0, 3), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—12 (8, 20) sts.

Size L Only

Continue decreases for size L only:

> **Rnd 17:** *K2tog, k– (–, 1), ssk; rep from * to end of rnd—12 (8, 12) sts.

Finishing

Cut yarn, leaving an 8" [20.5 cm] tail, and thread tail through rem 12 (8, 12) sts to close top of hat.

Weave in ends.

Block beanie, if desired, according to yarn manufacturer's instructions.

Beret

Instructions

With smaller needles and color A, CO 84 (96, 108) sts, pm to note beg rnd, and join in a circle, being careful not to twist sts.

Edging

Work in single rib, as described in the stitch guide (see page xx), for 6 rnds.

Increase for Body

Switching to larger needles and working desired stripe pattern (beg with color B for Wide Stripes pattern and continuing with color A for Narrow Stripes pattern), work increases:

> **Rnd 1:** *K5, k1f&b; rep from * to end of rnd—98 (112, 126) sts.
>
> **Rnd 2:** Knit.
>
> **Rnd 3:** *K6, k1f&b; rep from * to end of rnd—112 (128, 144) sts.

Work even (without further increases) in St st until hat measures 5½ (6, 6½)" [14 (15, 16.5) cm] from CO edge.

Decrease for Top

Change to dpns when too few sts remain to continue on circ needle.

Rnd 1: *K6, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—98 (112, 126) sts.

Rnds 2, 4, 6, and 8: Knit.

Rnd 3: *K5, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—84 (96, 108) sts.

Rnd 5: *K4, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—70 (80, 90) sts.

Rnd 7: *K3, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—56 (64, 72) sts.

Rnd 9: *K2, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—42 (48, 54) sts.

Rnd 10: *K1, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—28 (32, 36) sts.

Rnd 11: *K2tog; rep from * to end of rnd—14 (16, 18) sts.

Rnd 12: Rep rnd 11—7 (8, 9) sts.

Finishing

Cut yarn, leaving an 8" [20.5 cm] tail, and thread tail through rem stitches to close top of hat.

Weave in ends.

Block beret, if desired, according to yarn manufacturer's instructions.

Recommended Colors for Other Houses

Slytherin: Plymouth *Encore Worsted* #204 Hunter (color A) and #389 Gray Heather (color B)

Ravenclaw: Plymouth *Encore Worsted* #517 Delft Blue (color A) and #194 Gray Frost (color B)

Hufflepuff: Plymouth *Encore Worsted* #217 Black (color A) and #1382 Bright Yellow (color B)