

# Shadow Stripes Hat

sizes: preemie sm, preemie med, large/newborn  
fits 10", 12", 14" circumference

## needed:

- Q 3.5 mm (US 4) circular (or double point) knitting needles
- Q DK yarn, or size necessary to achieve gauge, in the following quantities:

*preemie small/medium*: approx 50 yards

*preemie large*: approx 70 yards

*newborn*: approx 90 yards

gauge: 24 st/32 r = 4"

**all yarn requirements are approximate**

## abbreviations:

<i>k</i> : knit	<i>ssk</i> : slip 2 stitches, separately and knitwise, then knit them together through their back loops
<i>ndl(s)</i> : needle(s)	
<i>p</i> : purl	<i>st(s)</i> : stitch(es)
<i>p2tog</i> : purl 2 stitches together as one	<i>yo</i> : yarn over
<i>sl X</i> : slip X stitch(es), purlwise and with yarn in back unless otherwise noted	



## stitch pattern (5 st repeat):

- 1: (and all odd numbered rnds) k around.
- 2: \*p1, k4. repeat from \* around.
- 4: k1. \*p1, k4. repeat from \* around. end k3.
- 6: k2. \*p1, k4. repeat from \* around. end k2.
- 8: k3. \*p1, k4. repeat from \* around. end k1.
- 10:\*k4, p1. repeat from \* around.

## instructions:

cast on 60 (65/70) stitches. join, being careful not to twist.

1: k1, p1. \*sl 1, k1, yo. Pass slipped st over both the k1 and yo and off the needle. p1, k1, p1. repeat from \* around. end p1.

2: k1, p1. \*k2, p1, k1, p1. repeat from \* around, end p1.

work these two steps 4 (4, 5) times.

## crown:

work stitch pattern 4 (5,6) times, or until desired height less 1 1/2" for decreases. last round worked should be rnd 10.

k around.

## decreases:

- 1: \*p2tog, k3. repeat from \* around. (48, 52, 56 st)
- 2: k around
- 3: \*p2tog, k2. repeat from \* around. (36, 39, 42 st)
- 4: k around
- 5: \*p2tog, k1. repeat from \* around. (24, 26, 28 st)
- 6: k around. slip last st on rnd to Ndl 1.
- 7: ssk around. (12, 13, 14 st)
- 8: ssk around. (6, 7, 7 st)

## top knot & finishing:

20 rnd: k around.

clip yarn, leaving a 6" tail. draw tail through remaining loops, tighten, and secure. weave in all ends.

tie a knot in the i-cord, close to the hat.