

HollyDay Hat

for preemies and newborns (adjustments for larger sizes in parenthesis)

Materials:

small preemie

MC: approx 40 yds, C1 (red): approx 10 yds

C2 (green): approx 25 yds

med preemie

MC: approx 50 yds, C1 (red): approx 15 yds

C2 (green): approx 30 yds

large preemie/newborn

MC: approx 60 yds, C1 (red): approx 20 yds

C2 (green): approx 35 yds

all sizes:

3.25 (US 3) & 3.75mm (US5) circular or double-point needles,
or size necessary to achieve gauge

gauge: 14 st/15 r = 2", in fairisle using larger needles

abbreviations:

k: knit (tbl - through back loop)	ssk: slip two stitches, one at a time, knitwise then knit together through the front of the stitches
k2tog: knit two stitches together	st(s): stitch(es)
p: purl	
s2kp2: slip two st together purlwise, knit next st, pass slipped sts over	



yarn used in photo: Plymouth Dreambaby DK

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instructions:

Using C1, cast on 60(72/84) stitches using the smaller needle. Turn and purl across. Join to form a circle, being careful not to twist.

spiral rib (worked in MC):

1: *k2, p1. repeat from * around.

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

3: *p1, k2. repeat from * around.

repeat rows 1 - 3 until 9(12/15) rows are completed.

crow:

work around in stockinette (knitting every row, unless otherwise instructed), changing colors according to chart.

begin decreases (row 14 of chart):

decrease every other row, as indicated on chart -- ssk with 2 st after the green bar and k2tog with the 2 st immediately before the bar.

last decrease row - *k1, s2kp2. repeat from * around (10/12/14 st remain)

finishing:

work final row in green - no decreases.

clip yarn, leaving a 6" tail. draw through remaining loops, tighten firmly, and tie off.

weave in all ends.

