

Christmas Hat Pattern for the Barista Express

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You will need:



- 1 pair size 4mm (UK 8/US 6) knitting needles
- DK/8ply wool: 2 x 50gm balls in your chosen colours
- I used red and white—designated as A & B in the pattern
- 28 small beads or buttons, optional
- 1 large eyed darning needle

For the pom pom, cut 2 circles of cardboard 6cm diameter, and then cut a 2cm circle in the centre – there are lots of YouTube videos if you are unsure.

Abbreviations:



- K - Knit
- P - Purl
- St st - Stocking stitch
- K2Tog - Knit 2 stitches together
- P2Tog - Purl 2 stitches together

This pattern uses an I-cord cast on method. If you are unfamiliar, or unsure, there are many 'how to' videos on YouTube you can knit along with. This pattern is also knit flat rather than in the round, and a pair of single pointed needles should be used.

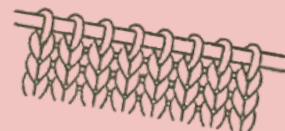
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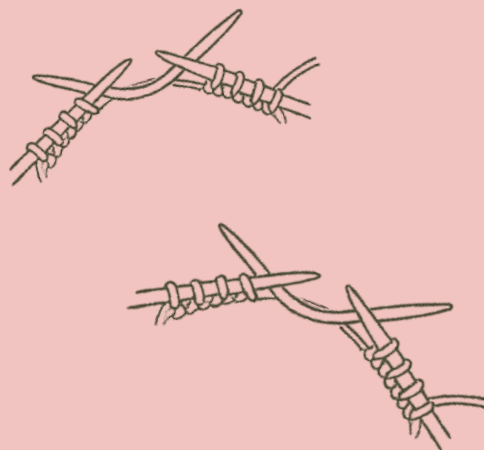
Let's begin the I-cord cast on for the Christmas hat

1. Cast on 3 stitches—any cast on method you prefer for the I-cord
2. Knit 3 stitches then slip these 3 stitches back onto left needle.
3. Knit these 3 stitches again, repeating until you have 111 repeats.
4. Pick up and knit 111 stitches along the I-cord edge. Knit through both legs of the stitches as you go. You will finish with 114 stitches on your needle.



Now for the rest of the Christmas hat

- Row 1. A-purl
Row 2. A-knit
Row 3. A-purl
Row 4. (A-Knit 3, B-Knit1), repeat to end of row
Row 5. A-purl 2 (Purl A, Purl B) repeat to end
Row 6. Repeat Row 4
Row 7. A-knit
Row 8. A-purl



Decreasing begins with right side of work facing you

Starting with A, and alternating A/B (see grid)

- Row 9. Knit 1, (K2Tog, K4) to end
Row 10. Purl
Row 11. Knit
Row 12. Purl

Grid:

A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A

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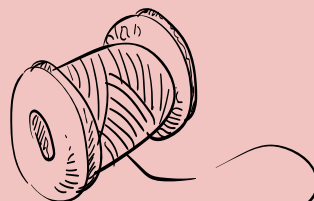
Using A only for next 4 rows

Row 13. Knit 1(K2Tog, K3) to end of row

Row 14. Purl

Row 15. Knit

Row 16. Purl



Alternating A and B for next 4 rows with colours stacked (see grid)

Row 17. Knit 1(K2tog, K2) to end

Row 18. Purl

Row 19. Knit

Row 20. Purl

Grid:

B	A	B	A	B	A
B	A	B	A	B	A
B	A	B	A	B	A
B	A	B	A	B	A

Row 21. Alternating A and B

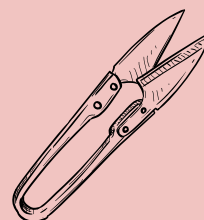
Knit1 (K2Tog, K1) to end

Row 22. Purl A/B to end

Row 23. B only—Knit1, K2Tog to end

Row 24. B only—P2Tog to end

Row 25. Break off yarn, leaving a long tail and thread the wool through the remaining stitches and pull tight.



Sew the seam together and 'ladder stitch' gives a nice finish.

Decreasing for larger bean hoppers

The steps above are for a beanie to fit the Barista Express (BES870). If you have a coffee machine with a larger hopper than the Barista Express, like the Barista Touch Impress (BES881) or the Oracle Jet (BES985) you will need an extra 2cm in diameter for the beanie to fit properly. Please follow steps below instead.

When doing the I-cord cast on, you add 8 more stitches—leaving you with a total of 122 stitches on the needle. Same for Section 1, Rows 1-8.

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Row 9. K1, (K2Tog, K4) K1 [102 stitches on needle]

Row 10. Purl

Row 11. Knit

Row 12. Purl

Row 13. K1, (K2Tog, K3) K1 [82 stitches on needle]

Row 14. Purl

Row 15. Knit

Row 16. Purl

Row 17. K1 (K2Tog, K2) K1 [62 stitches on needle]

Row 18. Purl

Row 19. Knit

Row 20. Purl

Row 21. K1 (K2Tog, K1) K1 [42 stitches on needle]

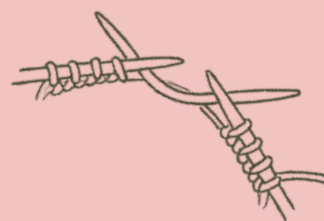
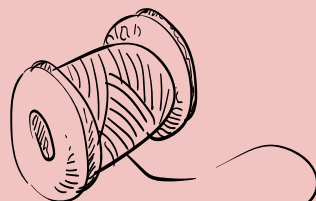
Row 22. Purl A/B to end

Row 23. K1, K2Tog until last stitch K1 [22 stitches on needle]

Row 24. Purl 2 KTog until end [11 stitches]

Row 25. Break off yarn, leaving a long tail and thread the wool through the remaining stitches and pull tight.

Sew the seam together and 'ladder stitch' gives a nice finish.



Make your pom pom—it's optional. You can have a single colour, or multi-coloured and sew on. Sew on your beads, or buttons at the end of the points of the centre snowflake—that's optional too.

Pop it on the hopper to dress your espresso machine.
Hope you had fun!



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